

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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COMMITTEE ON HEALTH, HUMAN SERVICES, & HOMELESSNESS

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AMENDED NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Thursday, March 18, 2021
TIME: 10:00 am
PLACE: VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE
Conference Room 329
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

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A M E N D E D A G E N D A

The following measure(s) has been **ADDED** to the agenda: **SB1021 SD2**

[SB 1021, SD2](#)
[\(SSCR644\)](#)
[Status](#)

RELATING TO BURIALS.

Prohibits the sale, transfer, conveyance, or other disposal or offer for sale of any plot, conveyance, or niche unless the property on which the plot, crypt, or niche is located allows the interment of up to ten sets of human remains that are cremated or prepared consistent with traditional Hawaiian burials. Includes the use of alkaline hydrolysis, water cremation, and natural organic reduction as methods for the disposal of human remains. Amends the procedures for the resolution of disputes regarding the right of disposition, the right to rely and act upon written instructions in a funeral service agreement or similar document, and provisions for the disposition of a decedent's remains and recovery of reasonable expenses to include hydrolysis facilities and natural organic reduction facilities. (SD2)

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[SB 1258, SD1](#)
[\(SSCR738\)](#)
[Status](#)

RELATING TO TELEHEALTH.
Allows for standard telephone contacts for telehealth purposes.
Effective 7/1/50. (SD1)

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[SB 628, SD2](#)
[\(SSCR909\)](#)
[Status](#)

RELATING TO THE TRANSITION OF THE OAHU REGIONAL HEALTH CARE SYSTEM FROM THE HAWAII HEALTH SYSTEMS CORPORATION INTO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH.
Commences the transfer of the Oahu regional health care system in its entirety from the Hawaii health systems corporation to the department of health, beginning with the transfer of the Oahu regional health care system's budget into the department of health. Enables the Oahu regional health care system, department of health, Hawaii health systems corporation, and other state agencies to manage and implement the processes required to effectuate the completion of such transition. Provides certain protections and exemptions for the Oahu regional health care system and the inpatient services division of the department of health. Prohibits the substantial reduction or elimination of direct patient care at any Oahu regional health care system facility unless certain conditions are met. Effective 7/1/2050. (SD2)

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[SB 602, SD2](#)
[\(SSCR655\)](#)
[Status](#)

RELATING TO PHARMACY BENEFIT MANAGERS.
Prohibits certain contracts for managed care entered into after June 30, 2021, from containing a provision that authorizes a pharmacy benefit manager to reimburse a contracting pharmacy on a maximum allowable cost basis, and voids any such provisions in existing managed care contracts. Prohibits pharmacy benefit managers from engaging in unfair methods of competition or unfair practices. Prohibits a pharmacy benefit manager from reimbursing a 340B pharmacy differently than any other network pharmacy. Prohibits a pharmacy benefit manager from reimbursing an independent or rural pharmacy an amount less than the rural rate for each drug under certain circumstances. Prohibits a pharmacy benefit manager from restricting a pharmacist's ability to provide certain information to insureds. Increases pharmacy benefit managers' annual reporting requirements. Requires the insurance commissioner to file annual reports with the legislature. Increases pharmacy benefit manager registration and renewal fees by an unspecified amount. Makes certain violations of pharmacy benefit managers subject to the penalties provided in chapters 480 and 481, Hawaii Revised Statutes. Effective 7/1/2050. Repeals certain provisions on 6/30/2026. (SD2)

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[SB 1127, SD1](#)
[\(SSCR810\)](#)
[Status](#)

MAKING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES.
Makes an emergency appropriation from the general revenues of the State of Hawaii for fiscal year 2020-2021 to address the budget shortfall for the general support for the general assistance program (HMS 204) in the department of human services. Effective 7/1/2050. (SD1)

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DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

Persons wishing to offer comments should submit testimony at least **24 hours** prior to the hearing. Testimony received after this time will be stamped late and left to the discretion of the chair to consider. While every effort will be made to

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incorporate all testimony received, materials received on the day of the hearing or improperly identified or directed, may not be processed.

If during the course of the hearing it appears that there will not be sufficient time to allow everyone to be heard, the chairperson reserves the right to limit the remaining testifiers to two-minutes. This two-minute policy will be enforced to ensure fairness and adequate consideration to all bills.

Testimony submitted will be placed on the legislative website. This public posting of testimony on the website should be considered when including personal information in your testimony.

The chair may institute a per-testifier time limit.

Committees meeting in the morning must adjourn prior to the day's Floor Session. Therefore, due to time constraints, not all testifiers may be provided an opportunity to offer verbal comments. However, remote testifiers' written submissions will be considered by the committee.

Please refrain from profanity or uncivil behavior. Violations may result in ejection from the hearing without the ability to rejoin.

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FOR AMENDED NOTICES: Measures that have been deleted are stricken through and measures that have been added are bolded.

For more information, please contact the Committee Clerk at 586-6150

Rep. Ryan I. Yamane
Chair

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