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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Tuesday, February 16, 2021
TIME: 11:00 a.m.
PLACE: VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE
Conference Room 309 & 312
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

THE STATE CAPITOL IS CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC DURING THE ONGOING COVID-19 PANDEMIC

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A G E N D A

HEARING

[HB 956](#)
[Status](#)

RELATING TO STATEWIDE INTEROPERABLE PUBLIC
SAFETY COMMUNICATIONS.
Establishes a Statewide Interoperable Communications Executive
Committee for public safety communications and the position of the
Statewide Interoperable Communications Coordinator.

PDP/HET, FIN

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[HB 957](#)
[Status](#)

RELATING TO HOMELAND SECURITY.

PDP/HET, FIN

Establishes the Hawaii State Fusion Center (Center) as a program under the Office of Homeland Security as described in chapter 128A, Hawaii Revised Statutes. Also establishes the position of Hawaii State Fusion Center Director who shall be state-funded, permanently exempt from chapter 76, Hawaii Revised Statutes, responsible to the Director of Homeland Security, and accountable to manage the operations of the Center.

DECISION MAKING

The following measure(s) were previously heard on **February 4, 2021**. No public testimony will be accepted.

[HB 573](#)
[Status](#)

RELATING TO FEDERAL FUNDS.

PDP, FIN

Appropriates federal funds for COVID-19 response. Requires funding of certain programs to be paid for from the county share.

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

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.

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

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