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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Tuesday, February 9, 2021
TIME: 8:30 a.m.
PLACE: VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE
 Conference Room 309
 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

[HB 643](#)
[Status](#)

RELATING TO EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT.
Makes interfering with an essential worker during an emergency a
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HB 1286 Status	RELATING TO TRAVEL. Exempts any person from the post-arrival mandatory self-quarantine if the person receives a negative test result prior to arrival. Allows DOH to establish conditions for exemption. Requires certain COVID-19 tests for travelers who do not have a test result upon arrival to avoid mandatory self-quarantine. Requires any person who receives a positive test for COVID-19 post-arrival to be responsible for all costs associated with that person's mandatory self-quarantine. Repeals on 12/31/2021.	PDP/LAT, JHA, FIN
HB 954 Status	RELATING TO THE HAWAII EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY. Converts the public information officer, civil defense administrative officer, branch chiefs, and emergency operations center state warning point personnel in the Hawaii Emergency Management Agency from civil service status to exempt status.	PDP/LAT, FIN
HB 934 Status	RELATING TO COVID-19. Provides appropriations to continue funding for various COVID-19 response related programs and activities.	PDP, FIN
HB 955 Status	RELATING TO THE STATE DISASTER RECOVERY PROGRAM. Establishes the Hawaii State Disaster Recovery Program and Framework and describes the role of the State Disaster Recovery Coordinator.	PDP, FIN
HB 962 Status	MAKING EMERGENCY APPROPRIATIONS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE RELATING TO COVID-19 EXPENDITURES. Provides emergency appropriations in fiscal year 2020-2021 to the Department of Defense to continue funding for various COVID-19 response related programs and activities.	PDP, FIN
HB 963 Status	MAKING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION TO THE OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR RELATING TO COVID-19 EXPENDITURES. Provides an emergency appropriation to the Office of the Governor in fiscal year 2020-2021 to continue funding for various COVID-19 response related programs and activities.	PDP, FIN
HB 540 Status	RELATING TO LIABILITY. Makes immune from civil or criminal liability a health care provider who acts in good faith during a state of emergency or local state of emergency and adheres to crisis standards of care.	PDP, JHA, FIN
HB 425 Status	RELATING TO PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS. Beginning 1/1/2022, prohibits the issuance of building permits for new building construction unless the applicant provides sufficient proof that the building will be able to withstand category four hurricanes. Beginning 1/1/2022, requires building permits to be obtained for work performed for state government agencies on all new public buildings, and requires new public buildings to be designed to withstand category five hurricanes.	PDP, CPC, FIN

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DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

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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 able to testify. However, all 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.

The House will not be responsible for bad connections on the testifier's end.

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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 586-6220.

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