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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Friday, February 11, 2022
TIME: 3:15 PM
PLACE: Conference Room 229 & Videoconference
TIMESLOT: EDU

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

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A G E N D A

[SB 2142](#)

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RELATING TO COMPUTER SCIENCE.

Allows Department of Education students to fulfill world language, fine arts, or career and technical education graduation requirements with computer science. Establishes a scholarship at the University of Hawaii to encourage students majoring in education to take a computer science course. Requires UH to establish computer science pathways for students majoring in education. Requires teacher licensing and certification to include computer science. Appropriates funds.

EDU/HRE, WAM

[SB 2359](#)

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RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII.

Requires the University of Hawaii to establish in each county, K-12 expanded teaching cohort programs for students who are pursuing undergraduate degrees in education. Requires interim reports prior to the regular sessions of 2023, 2024, and 2025, and a final report prior to the regular session of 2026. Repeals 12/31/26.

HRE/EDU, WAM

[SB 2636](#)

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RELATING TO CIVIL RIGHTS.

Specifies additional forms of discrimination and other prohibited conduct under Chapter 368D, HRS. Requires covered entities to adopt written policies and undertake other specified enforcement actions no later than 1/1/2023. Requires annual reports to Legislature.

EDU/HRE, JDC

[SB 214](#)

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RELATING TO STUDENT JOURNALISM.

Establishes freedom of press protections for student journalists producing school-sponsored media or university-sponsored media unless subject to certain exceptions.

EDU/HRE, JDC

Decision Making to follow, if time permits.

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