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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Thursday, February 24, 2022
TIME: 2:00 p.m.
PLACE: VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE
Conference Room 308
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

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A G E N D A #3

[HB 2512, HD1](#)
[\(HSCR527-22\)](#)
[Status](#)

RELATING TO OHANA ZONES.
Expands regulatory exemptions for ohana zones pilot program contracts. Extends the sunset date for the ohana zones pilot program to June 30, 2026. Appropriates funds to the governor for the ohana zones pilot program. Effective 7/1/2060. (HD1)

HHH/HSG, FIN

[HB 1797, HD1](#)
[\(HSCR347-22\)](#)
[Status](#)

RELATING TO HOMELESS SERVICES.
Establishes a three-year medical respite pilot program within the department of human services to provide outpatient health care and supportive services to homeless persons recently discharged from the hospital and non-hospitalized homeless persons who are being moved by police out of unauthorized spaces. Requires a report to the legislature. Appropriates funds. Effective 7/1/2060. (HD1)

HHH, FIN



HB 1980, HD2 (HSCR595-22) Status	<p>RELATING TO TELEPHONIC SERVICES. Permits, but does not require or prohibit, Medicaid, health insurers, mutual benefit societies, and health maintenance organizations to cover telephonic behavioral health services under certain circumstances. Clarifies that telephonic services do not constitute telehealth. Effective 1/1/2060. (HD2)</p>	HHH, CPC, FIN
HB 1773 (HSCR348-22) Status	<p>RELATING TO HEALTH. Appropriates moneys to extend Medicaid postpartum coverage to 12 months following the end of pregnancy.</p>	HHH, FIN
HB 1754, HD1 (HSCR524-22) Status	<p>RELATING TO ADULT DENTAL MEDICAID BENEFITS. Appropriates funds to restore diagnostic, preventive, and restorative dental benefits to adult medicaid enrollees; provided that the department of human services obtains maximum federal matching funds available and pursues all funding sources, including private grants, prior to expending any general fund appropriations. Effective 7/1/2060. (HD1)</p>	HHH, FIN
HB 1594, HD1 (HSCR491-22) Status	<p>RELATING TO THE CENTER FOR NURSING. Requires all nursing license applicants to respond to the center for nursing workforce supply survey in conjunction with license renewal; provided that failure to respond to the workforce supply survey shall not impact license renewal or result in encumbrance of the license. Increases the center for nursing fee from \$40 to \$60 per license biennium. Effective 7/1/2060. (HD1)</p>	HHH, CPC, FIN
HB 1635, HD1 (HSCR515-22) Status	<p>RELATING TO HEALTH CARE. Establishes the rural health task force within the department of health to prepare and develop solutions and make recommendations on registered nurse recruitment and retention in rural areas of east Maui, Molokai, and Lanai. Requires the rural health task force to submit a report of its findings, recommendations, and any proposed legislation to the legislature prior to the regular session of 2023. Effective 7/1/2060. (HD1)</p>	HHH, FIN
HB 1758, HD2 (HSCR494-22) Status	<p>RELATING TO NURSES. Allows for temporary permits to be issued to registered nurses and licensed practical nurses from a territory or foreign country that are seeking a state license by endorsement. Effective 1/1/2050. (HD2)</p>	HHH, CPC, FIN
HB 1549, HD1 (HSCR669-22) Status	<p>RELATING TO LOAN REPAYMENT FOR HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS. Appropriates funds for the Hawaii state loan repayment program administered through the John A. Burns school of medicine, subject to a matching funds requirement. Effective 7/1/2060. (HD1)</p>	HHH/HET, FIN
HB 1547, HD1 (HSCR672-22) Status	<p>RELATING TO GRADUATE MEDICAL EDUCATION. Appropriates funds to expand graduate medical education programs on the neighbor islands. Effective 7/1/2060. (HD1)</p>	HHH/HET, FIN



HB 1575, HD2 (HSCR490-22) Status	<p>RELATING TO PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS.</p> <p>Expands the scope of practice for physician assistants. Requires a sampling of medical records, rather than all medical records, to be reviewed when physician assistants prescribe controlled substances. Effective 7/1/2060. (HD2)</p>	<p>HHH, CPC, FIN</p>
HB 1975, HD1 (HSCR613-22) Status	<p>RELATING TO HEALTHCARE PRECEPTORS.</p> <p>Clarifies the limits of when a preceptor may be compensated for standard clinical services while providing a volunteer-based supervised clinical training rotation. Amends the definition of "preceptor" to improve accessibility for providers to receive income tax credits for acting as preceptors. Includes the director of health on the preceptor credit assurance committee. Effective 7/1/2060. (HD1)</p>	<p>HHH, CPC, FIN</p>
HB 1666, HD1 (HSCR525-22) Status	<p>RELATING TO MENTAL HEALTH.</p> <p>Establishes a pilot program within the adult mental services division of the department of health to expand existing county programs that make one or more licensed mental health counselors available to assist county first responders in responding to mental health crises in areas in the urban core with high rates of homelessness. Requires a report to the legislature. Appropriates funds. Effective 7/1/2060. (HD1)</p>	<p>HHH, FIN</p>
HB 1824, HD1 (HSCR428-22) Status	<p>MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE OFFICE OF THE LONG-TERM CARE OMBUDSMAN PROGRAM.</p> <p>Appropriates funds to the Office of the Long-Term Care Ombudsman for ombudsman program specialist positions. Effective 7/1/2060. (HD1)</p>	<p>HHH, FIN</p>
HB 2515, HD2 (HSCR592-22) Status	<p>RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH.</p> <p>Requires the department of health to establish and operate a laboratory capable of testing for diseases, air and water quality issues, and other high complexity testing. Appropriates funds. Effective 1/1/2050. (HD2)</p>	<p>HHH/EEP, CPC, FIN</p>
HB 2424, HD1 (HSCR149-22) Status	<p>RELATING TO CHILD WELFARE SERVICES.</p> <p>Expands the investigative authority of the department of human services to include families with foster children with a pending adoption decree, foster children where an adoption decree has been issued but adoption has not yet taken place, children who are placed into legal guardianship and who receive permanency assistance payments, and adopted children who receive adoption assistance payments and against whom a complaint has been filed with the department of human services at any time, including any time prior to adoption or granting of legal guardianship. Requires the department of human services to analyze and report on the impact of expanding home visits to families receiving adoption assistance or legal guardianship assistance and make a report to the legislature five years after the start of the program. Appropriates funds for additional case worker and support staff positions and increased compensation for existing child welfare services case worker positions. Effective 7/1/2060. (HD1)</p>	<p>HHH, FIN</p>



[HB 1679, HD2](#)
[\(HSCR605-22\)](#)
[Status](#)

RELATING TO ACUPUNCTURE.
Makes comprehensive updates to chapter 436E, Hawaii Revised Statutes, regarding acupuncture practitioners to reflect modernized scopes of practice, titles, and licensing and renewal requirements, including thirty hours of continuing education per licensing biennium. Effective 7/1/2060. (HD2)

HHH, CPC, FIN

[HB 1762, HD1](#)
[\(HSCR664-22\)](#)
[Status](#)

RELATING TO LANGUAGE ACCESS.
Requires the executive director of the office of language access to submit an annual report to the governor and legislature on compliance, complaints, resolution of complaints, and recommendations to enhance and promote language access. Appropriates funds to establish three full-time equivalent (3.0 FTE) limited English proficiency language coordinator positions in the office of language access. Effective 7/1/2060. (HD1)

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DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

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Chair

