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COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION

Senator Jarrett Keohokalole, Chair
Senator Carol Fukunaga, Vice Chair

NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Thursday, February 9, 2023
TIME: 9:31 AM
PLACE: Conference Room 229 & Videoconference
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

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A G E N D A

[SB 393](#)

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RELATING TO THE LANDLORD-TENANT CODE.

Until 12/31/2024, extends the period for a notice of termination of the rental agreement from 5 business days to 15 calendar days; requires landlords to engage in mediation and delay filing an action for summary possession if a tenant schedules or attempts to schedule a mediation; requires landlords to include specific information in the fifteen-calendar day notice provided to tenants and certain mediation centers. Appropriates moneys.

CPN, WAM

[SB 54](#)

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RELATING TO GASOLINE-POWERED LEAF BLOWERS.

Prohibits the sale, offer for sale, or operation of gasoline-powered leaf blowers. Increases the amounts of fines for offenses of leaf blower restrictions and provides for the forfeiture of gasoline-powered leaf blowers upon a third violation. Removes the exemption on leaf blower restrictions for government agencies. Takes effect 1/1/2025.

CPN, JDC

SB 935

[Status & Testimony](#)

RELATING TO GAMBLING.

Prohibits advertisements for Nevada hotels, resorts, or other recreational services that promote casinos or gambling devices licensed by the Nevada Gaming Commission from being broadcast, televised, marketed in printed publications or displays, distributed online, or otherwise communicated by electronic means within the State. Imposes a general excise tax on persons engaged in the arrangement, provision, or sale within the State of vacation packages or other recreational services that promote gambling or gambling devices that is not prohibited by state law of thirty per cent of gross income due to that activity.

CPN, WAM/JDC

SB 945

[Status & Testimony](#)

RELATING TO SPECIAL PURPOSE DIGITAL CURRENCY LICENSURE.

Establishes a program for the licensure, regulation, and oversight of digital currency companies.

CPN, WAM

SB 1027

[Status & Testimony](#)

RELATING TO COMBAT SPORTS.

Establishes a state Combat Sports Commission. Provides for regulation of combat sports. Prohibits no rules combat or similar contests. Appropriates funds for an unspecified number of full-time equivalent positions within the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs for the Combat Sports Commission.

CPN, WAM

SB 1324

[Status & Testimony](#)

RELATING TO INSURANCE.

Amends various provisions of title 24 of the Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS) to update and improve existing provisions. Adds a Health Insurance Administrator deputy commissioner position. Defines "dormant captive insurance company" and sets out a procedure to apply for the certificate of dormancy. Adds the term "doing business as" to "trade name" statutory references. Clarifies continuing education provider filing requirements. Clarifies reinsurance intermediary-manager filing requirements. Amends the surety bond threshold requirement for third party administrators and clarifies the audited financial statements requirements. Adopts revised National Association of Insurance Commissioners Model #880 Unfair Trade Practices Act regarding expansion of value-added products beyond health products. Aligns section 431:13-103 with changes made to article 9 of chapter 431 by Act 110, Session Laws of Hawaii 2021. Amends the definitions of "controlled unaffiliated business" and "participant" as applied to captive insurance companies.

CPN, WAM

Decision Making to follow, if time permits.

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Senator Jarrett Keohokalole
Chair