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COMMITTEE ON HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS

Senator Maile S.L. Shimabukuro, Chair
Senator Kurt Fevella, Vice Chair

NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Thursday, January 26, 2023
TIME: 1:00 PM
PLACE: Conference Room 224 & Videoconference
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

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A G E N D A

SB 52

Status &
Testimony

RELATING TO THE ELECTION OF MEMBERS TO THE
BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE OFFICE OF HAWAIIAN
AFFAIRS.

Amends the process for electing members to the Office of
Hawaiian Affairs Board of Trustees. Requires the
Reapportionment Commission to establish a reapportionment
plan for the members of the Board of Trustees of the Office of
Hawaiian Affairs so that they are elected according to their
respective districts, rather than an at-large statewide election for
each seat.

HWN, JDC

SB 32

Status &
Testimony

PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO THE HAWAII STATE
CONSTITUTION TO REQUIRE THE REAPPORTIONMENT
COMMISSION TO ESTABLISH A REAPPORTIONMENT PLAN
TO DRAW DISTRICT LINES FOR THE MEMBERS OF THE
OFFICE OF HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS BOARD OF TRUSTEES.
Amends the State Constitution to require the Reapportionment
Commission to establish a reapportionment plan to draw district
lines for the total number of members of the board of trustees of
the office of Hawaiian affairs.

HWN, JDC/WAM

SB 16

**Status &
Testimony**

RELATING TO HAWAIIAN AS AN OFFICIAL LANGUAGE OF
THE STATE OF HAWAII.

HWN, JDC

Requires that the Hawaiian version of a law be held binding if
the law in question was originally drafted in Hawaiian and then
translated into English.

Decision Making to follow, if time permits.

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Senator Maile S.L. Shimabukuro
Chair