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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Friday, February 23, 2024
TIME: 11:30 a.m.
PLACE: VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE
Conference Room 308
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

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A G E N D A #2

[HB 2380, HD1](#)
[\(HSCR372-24\)](#)
[Status](#)

MAKING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND FINANCE.
Makes an emergency appropriation to provide special funds for disbursements of moneys in the Mass Transit Special Fund. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)

TRN, FIN

[HB 1932, HD2](#)
[\(HSCR455-24\)](#)
[Status](#)

RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION.
Authorizes the Department of Transportation to acquire, including by condemnation, any real, personal, or mixed property for immediate or future use and own, hold, improve, rehabilitate, sell, assign, exchange, transfer, convey, lease, or dispose of the property acquired. Amends the definition of "public lands" to exclude lands to which the Department of Transportation holds title. Authorizes the Department of Transportation to directly acquire any real property for its purposes. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD2)

TRN, JHA, FIN



HB 2490, HD1 (HSCR373-24) Status	RELATING TO CAPITAL ADVANCEMENT CONTRACTS. Increases the caps for the total contract value for any one capital advancement contract (CAC) and the total aggregate value of CACs in a fiscal year entered into by the Department of Transportation with private parties for harbor improvements and adds reporting requirements for the Department. Effective July 1, 3000. (HD1)	TRN, FIN
HB 2015, HD1 (HSCR341-24) Status	RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION. Requires DOT to identify an emergency egress route other than Komo Mai drive from Pacific Palisades or, if no other route can be found, determine the feasibility of constructing an alternate emergency egress route. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	TRN, FIN
HB 2270, HD1 (HSCR340-24) Status	RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION. Establishes a task force to develop and explore alternate routes into and out of the Waianae Coast, including through Kolekole pass and opening Waianae Coast emergency access road. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	TRN, FIN
HB 2175, HD1 (HSCR342-24) Status	RELATING TO THE KAAAWA-HAUULA COMMUNITY-BASED LONG-RANGE TRANSPORTATION PLAN. Appropriates funds for and requires the involvement of community members and organizations in the development of a community-based long-range transportation plan for the Kaaawa, Punaluu, and Hauula communities. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	TRN, FIN
HB 2702, HD1 (HSCR371-24) Status	RELATING TO ROAD IMPROVEMENTS. Appropriates funds for equipment and one full time equivalent position within the Department of Transportation to conduct improvements to Hana Highway. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	TRN, FIN
HB 2650, HD1 (HSCR463-24) Status	RELATING TO INVASIVE SPECIES. Appropriates funds to the Department of Transportation for the coordinated removal of albizia and other invasive trees. Requires matching funds from public utilities. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	TRN, FIN
HB 2673, HD2 (HSCR479-24) Status	RELATING TO ROADS. Permits the counties to use county surcharge revenues for maintenance of public roadways and private roadways that are open to the public. Requires the counties to use fuel taxes for reconstruction, improvement, repair, and maintenance of private roads that are open to the public. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD2)	TRN, JHA, FIN
HB 1997, HD1 (HSCR544-24) Status	RELATING TO THE INTERISLAND TRANSPORT OF HYDROGEN. Authorizes the Public Utilities Commission to establish a discounted rate by tariff for water carriers that engage in the interisland transport of renewable hydrogen. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	TRN, CPC, FIN
HB 1934, HD2 (HSCR474-24) Status	RELATING TO DRIVING WHILE INTOXICATED. Requires the Director of Transportation to convene an intoxicated driving reduction working group, under the leadership of Hawaii's strategic highway safety plan, to make recommendations for amendments to existing laws to reduce incidents of intoxicated driving. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD2)	TRN, JHA, FIN



HB 2065, HD1 (HSCR338-24) Status	<p>RELATING TO EXCESSIVE NOISE. Amends the appropriation for fiscal year 2024-2025 for the Noise Traffic Pilot Program of the Department of Transportation. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	TRN, FIN
HB 2446, HD1 (HSCR312-24) Status	<p>RELATING TO PARKING FOR DISABLED PERSONS. Authorizes the Examiner of Drivers to suspend the driver's license of a person who violates certain regulations relating to the use of disability parking permits. Authorizes each county to enact ordinances to enforce the design and construction requirements for the provision of accessible parking spaces, including the establishment of penalties for failure to comply with the ordinances. Authorizes officials appointed by a county to enter the property of places of public accommodation to enforce violations of the county ordinances. Requires the court to distribute fifty per cent of any fine imposed on a person who violates certain regulations for the use of disability parking permits to the law enforcement agency that issued the citation. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	TRN, FIN
HB 1780, HD1 (HSCR17-24) Status	<p>RELATING TO WORLD PEACE DAY. Designates September 21 of each year as World Peace Day. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	CAI, FIN
HB 2715, HD1 (HSCR252-24) Status	<p>RELATING TO SPECIAL NUMBER PLATES. Authorizes the issuance of special number plates to commemorate Malama Puuloa. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	CAI, FIN
HB 1939, HD1 (HSCR615-24) Status	<p>RELATING TO THE ARTS. Appropriates funds to the State Foundation on Culture and the Arts to provide greater access to the arts for children and communities in need, with a focus on those affected by the Maui wildfires. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	CAI, FIN
HB 1940, HD1 (HSCR616-24) Status	<p>MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE STATE FOUNDATION ON CULTURE AND THE ARTS. Appropriates funds out of the Works of Art Special Fund to the State Foundation on Culture and the Arts for the integration of works of art projects into several major capital improvement projects. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	CAI, FIN
HB 1807, HD1 (HSCR614-24) Status	<p>RELATING TO THE WORKS OF ART SPECIAL FUND. Amends the Works of Art Special Fund's one per cent transfer requirement to exclude the construction of site work. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	CAI, FIN
HB 2246, HD1 (HSCR618-24) Status	<p>RELATING TO THE STATE FOUNDATION ON CULTURE AND THE ARTS. Transfers the awarding and administration of certain cultural grants from the Hawaii tourism authority to the state foundation on culture and the arts and establishes a standing selection committee within the foundation to review and award the cultural grants. Appropriates funds for grant administrator positions. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	TOU, CAI, FIN



HB 2735, HD1 (HSCR617-24) Status	<p>RELATING TO THE HAWAII TOURISM AUTHORITY. Repeals the exemption of the Hawaii Tourism Authority from administrative supervision of boards and commissions. Transfers certain functions relating to cultural grants from the Hawaii Tourism Authority to the State Foundation on Culture and the Arts. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	TOU, CAI, FIN
HB 2563, HD1 (HSCR10-24) Status	<p>RELATING TO THE HAWAII TOURISM AUTHORITY. Requires the Hawaii Tourism Authority to develop and publish, through a contract with a third party, a mobile application that includes all online application processes, including the collection of any applicable reservation fees, to acquire a reservation to conduct recreational and commercial activities in the State that are regulated by or under the jurisdiction of a state or county agency. Requires the Hawaii Tourism Authority to issue a request for proposals and contract for the development and publishing of the mobile application. Establishes a tourism enterprise fund. Appropriates funds for the development and publication of the mobile application, including the hiring of a mobile manager. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	TOU, FIN
HB 2081, HD1 (HSCR470-24) Status	<p>RELATING TO GOVERNMENT. Increases the transient accommodation tax rate. Requires an additional \$50 transient accommodation tax to be levied per night for each furnishing of transient accommodations. Appropriates funds to DLNR for protection, management, and restoration of the State's natural resources. Effective 1/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	TOU/WAL, FIN
HB 2406, HD1 (HSCR502-24) Status	<p>RELATING TO STATE FINANCES. Establishes the Climate Health and Environmental Action Special Fund in the Department of Land and Natural Resources to minimize the impacts of, and respond to, climate crises. Imposes an additional \$25 dollar tax on transient accommodations. Allocates a portion of transient accommodations tax revenue to the Climate Health and Environmental Action Special Fund. Narrows the transient accommodations tax exemption for accommodations furnished at no charge or on a complimentary or gratuitous basis to accommodations for the purpose of providing emergency housing to persons displaced as a result of a state of emergency or state disaster. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	EEP, FIN
HB 2778, HD1 (HSCR211-24) Status	<p>RELATING TO TAXATION. Establishes a surcharge on the transient accommodations tax for transient vacation rental located outside a zoned resort area. Effective 1/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	TOU, FIN

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

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