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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE:      Wednesday, March 20, 2024  
TIME:      2:00 PM  
PLACE:      VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE  
                Conference Room 325  
                State Capitol  
                415 South Beretania Street

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A G E N D A

[SB 2836, SD2, HD1](#)  
[\(HSCR1144-24\)](#)  
[Status](#)

RELATING TO MAUI'S PERMANENT HOUSING RECOVERY.  
Establishes within the Department of Business, Economic  
Development, and Tourism the Interagency Council for Maui Housing  
Recovery to coordinate and facilitate Maui's permanent housing  
recovery and facilitate consultation and collaboration between state  
and county agencies on housing recovery initiatives for the island of  
Maui. Designates the executive director of the Hawaii Housing  
Finance and Development Corporation to serve as chair of the council.  
Makes an appropriation. Sunsets 6/30/2034. Effective 7/1/3000.  
(HD1)

WAL/HSG, JHA,  
FIN

[SB 3157, SD2, HD1](#)  
[\(HSCR1086-24\)](#)  
[Status](#)

RELATING TO DIRECT NEGOTIATION FOR PUBLIC LAND  
LEASES.  
Authorizes disposition of public land leases by direct negotiation for  
commercial or industrial use on parcels of up to five acres. Repeals  
6/30/2029. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)

WAL, JHA, FIN



[SB 2475, SD2, HD1](#)  
[\(HSCR1101-24\)](#)  
[Status](#)

RELATING TO EDUCATION.

Establishes a harm to students registry for all early learning programs or schools and K-12 educational institutions within the State that contains information on school employees, contractors, or volunteers for whom, as result of an investigation, a final finding has been issued that the individual has inflicted harm on a student. Appropriates funds. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)

EDN, JHA, FIN

[SB 2351, SD2, HD1](#)  
[\(HSCR1135-24\)](#)  
[Status](#)

RELATING TO WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT.

Renames the "Hawaii Workforce Development Council" to the "Hawaii Workforce Development Board". Clarifies that the Workforce Development Board is administratively attached to the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism. Requires the Workforce Development Board and local workforce development boards to develop written conflict of interest policies consistent with federal law and regulations. Requires the Governor to select the chairperson of the board from among the business representative board members. Requires the Workforce Development Board to assist the Governor in coordinating local workforce development boards to improve the workforce development system. Repeals the requirement for the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations to submit an annual report to the Legislature on the activities of the K-12 Agriculture Workforce Development Pipeline Initiative. Restores program identification numbers and positions for the Hawaii Workforce Development Board that were transferred to the Workforce Development Division of the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations by Act 88, Session Laws of Hawaii 2021. Makes an appropriation. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)

LGO, JHA, FIN

[SB 578, SD3, HD1](#)  
[\(HSCR1134-24\)](#)  
[Status](#)

RELATING TO GOVERNMENT.

Allows a retirant to be employed without reenrollment in the Employees' Retirement System and without loss or interruption of retirement benefits if the retirant is employed as an investigator in a position identified by the Department of the Attorney General as a labor shortage or difficult-to-fill position, subject to certain conditions. Requires the Director of Human Resources of the appropriate state jurisdiction or the human resources management chief executive of each county to include in their annual reports to the Legislature, details on the employment of retirants as investigators. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)

LGO, JHA, FIN

[SB 2556, SD2, HD1](#)  
[\(HSCR1137-24\)](#)  
[Status](#)

RELATING TO THE COMMUNITY OUTREACH COURT.

Permanently establishes and appropriates funds for the Community Outreach Court as a division of the District Court of the First Circuit. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)

HLT, JHA, FIN

[SB 2557, SD1](#)  
[\(SSCR2758\)](#)  
[Status](#)

RELATING TO LEGAL REPRESENTATION.

Allows a court to appoint an attorney for the subject of a petition for assisted community treatment if the interests of justice require one be appointed. Repeals paragraph (3) of section 802-1(a), Hawaii Revised Statutes, which entitles the subject of a petition for assisted community treatment to legal representation by a public defender. (SD1)

JHA, FIN



<a href="#">SB 2685, SD1</a> <a href="#">(SSCR2895)</a> <a href="#">Status</a>	RELATING TO ABUSIVE LITIGATION. Establishes judicial procedures to prevent and remedy abusive litigation. (SD1)	JHA, FIN
<a href="#">SB 2319</a> <a href="#">(SSCR2933)</a> <a href="#">Status</a>	PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE VI, SECTION 3, OF THE HAWAII STATE CONSTITUTION TO INCREASE THE MANDATORY RETIREMENT AGE FOR STATE JUSTICES AND JUDGES. Proposes a constitutional amendment to increase the mandatory retirement age for justices and judges from 70 to 75 years.	JHA, FIN
<a href="#">SB 3139, SD2, HD1</a> <a href="#">(HSCR1142-24)</a> <a href="#">Status</a>	RELATING TO CRISIS SERVICES. Establishes a Crisis Intervention and Diversion Services Program within the Department of Health to expand existing services to divert those with mental health issues to appropriate health care services. Requires the Department of Law Enforcement to coordinate crisis intervention training for state and county law enforcement agencies and training and certification for crisis intervention officers. Defines "mental health emergency worker" and "crisis intervention officer". Appropriates funds. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	HLT/HUS, JHA, FIN
<a href="#">SB 2305, SD2, HD1</a> <a href="#">(HSCR1119-24)</a> <a href="#">Status</a>	RELATING TO MISSING PERSONS. Establishes a Silver Alert Program within the Department of Law Enforcement to help locate and safeguard missing persons who are sixty-five years of age or older, cognitively impaired, or developmentally disabled. Appropriates funds. Effective 1/1/2042. (HD1)	HUS, JHA, FIN
<a href="#">SB 572, SD2, HD1</a> <a href="#">(HSCR1112-24)</a> <a href="#">Status</a>	RELATING TO AGRICULTURE. Authorizes and specifies conditions under which the Department of Agriculture may declare a biosecurity emergency, during which the Department and Governor may take certain actions to prevent the establishment or spread of pests and prohibited or restricted organisms. Broadens the objectives and general actions of the Biosecurity Program. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	AGR, JHA, FIN
<a href="#">SB 3191, SD1, HD1</a> <a href="#">(HSCR1108-24)</a> <a href="#">Status</a>	RELATING TO TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER AT THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII. Permanently authorizes the University of Hawaii to continue to regulate conflicts of interest and other ethical issues for technology transfer activities sponsored by the University of Hawaii. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	HET, JHA, FIN
<a href="#">SB 2832, SD1</a> <a href="#">(SSCR2943)</a> <a href="#">Status</a>	RELATING TO THE TRAFFIC CODE. Specifies that the counties may issue traffic infractions for violations of any law prohibiting or restricting the stopping, standing, or parking of vehicles on all highways. Authorizes stopping, standing, and parking restrictions and prohibitions on property under jurisdiction of the Director of Transportation and the counties, respectively. Takes effect 1/1/2050. (SD1)	JHA, FIN

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

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Rep. David A. Tarnas  
Chair

