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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Friday, February 23, 2024
TIME: 1:00 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 1977, HD1 (HSCR243-24) Status	RELATING TO BRAILLE LITERACY. Establishes state policy to promote braille literacy for blind students. Requires the individualized education programs of eligible blind students to include the instruction of Braille and provision of Braille instructional materials under certain circumstances. Requires the Department of Education to establish a Braille literacy resource center. Makes an appropriation. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	EDN, FIN
HB 2384, HD1 (HSCR244-24) Status	RELATING TO THE SCHOOL FACILITIES SPECIAL FUND. Changes the means of financing for a portion of funds appropriated for deposit into the school facilities special fund to expand pre-kindergarten student capacity within the State from general funds to general obligation bond funds. Extends the lapse date of the funds. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	EDN, FIN



HB 2403, HD1 (HSCR32-24) Status	MAKING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION FOR CHARTER SCHOOLS. Makes an emergency appropriation to the Department of Education for charter schools. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	EDN, FIN
HB 2402, HD1 (HSCR33-24) Status	MAKING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION FOR FOOD SERVICES. Makes an emergency appropriation to the Department of Education for its food service operations. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	EDN, FIN
HB 1775, HD1 (HSCR286-24) Status	RELATING TO EDUCATION. Beginning with the 2024-2025 school year, requires the Department of Education to provide free breakfast and lunch to all students enrolled in department schools. Appropriates funds. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	EDN, FIN
HB 2774, HD2 (HSCR527-24) Status	RELATING TO LOCAL AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS. Modifies certain benchmark goals and timeline for the department of education to provide locally-sourced agricultural and food products. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD2)	EDN, AGR, FIN
HB 2620, HD1 (HSCR485-24) Status	RELATING TO DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION PROCUREMENT. Exempts Department of Education purchases of local edible produce and packaged food products less than \$100,000 from the electronic procurement system requirement. Requires at least three written quotes for Department of Education purchases of local edible produce and packaged food products between \$15,000 to less than \$100,000. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	EDN, LGO, FIN
HB 1654, HD2 (HSCR489-24) Status	RELATING TO EDUCATION. Establishes the qualified internship grant program within the Department of Education to provide grants to businesses and organizations that employ qualified interns participating in work-based learning through a qualified internship program. Appropriates funds. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD2)	EDN, LGO, FIN
HB 1653, HD1 (HSCR484-24) Status	RELATING TO EDUCATION. Pursuant to a collective bargaining agreement negotiated for Bargaining Unit (5), provides annual salary step increases for public school teachers and educational officers who have completed a year's satisfactory service and comply with specified requirements. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	EDN, LGO, FIN
HB 1652, HD1 (HSCR112-24) Status	RELATING TO TAX CREDITS. Establishes a state income tax credit for qualified expenses incurred by certain individuals employed by the Department of Education, a public charter school, the Hawaii state public library system, or as part of a head start program in a school. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	EDN, FIN
HB 2661, HD1 (HSCR246-24) Status	RELATING TO TEACHERS. Enacts the Interstate Teacher Mobility Compact to reduce barriers to teacher license portability and employment. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	EDN, FIN



HB 2082, HD1 (HSCR313-24) Status	<p>RELATING TO SCHOOL BUS SERVICES.</p> <p>Establishes comprehensive standards for the department of education related to school bus services to ensure equitable access, timely communication, and accountability. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	EDN, FIN
HB 2222, HD1 (HSCR282-24) Status	<p>RELATING TO EDUCATION.</p> <p>Requires the Department of Education to convene a staggered school start times task force to study and evaluate the issues and implications of instituting a staggered school start times program, including effects on school bus schedules. Requires a report to the Legislature. Appropriates funds. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	EDN, FIN
HB 1837, HD1 (HSCR315-24) Status	<p>RELATING TO SCHOOL SAFETY.</p> <p>Requires the Department of Education to grant public access to emergency action plans that do not pose a security risk to students, staff, or guests of school campuses. Requires each Department school to have a comprehensive school evacuation communication plan for use during emergencies. Requires the Department of Education to collaborate with the Department of Transportation to assess all Department school campuses to determine if there are sufficient emergency evacuation routes for each campus and report to the Legislature. Appropriates funds. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	EDN/WAL, FIN
HB 2074, HD1 (HSCR209-24) Status	<p>RELATING TO KAIAPUNI EDUCATION.</p> <p>Appropriates funds to the Department of Education for the establishment of 3 full-time equivalent (3.0 FTE) Kaiapuni education curriculum specialist II positions and 10 full-time equivalent (10.0 FTE) Kaiapuni classroom teacher positions. Declares that the appropriation exceeds the state general fund expenditure ceiling for 2024-2025. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	EDN, FIN
HB 1903, HD1 (HSCR242-24) Status	<p>RELATING TO EARLY LEARNING.</p> <p>Expands access of early learning programs to other state properties and public lands besides public school campuses. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	EDN, FIN
HB 2759, HD1 (HSCR118-24) Status	<p>RELATING TO SCHOOL-BASED HEALTH SERVICES.</p> <p>Appropriates funds to maintain seventy-five health technician positions within the Department of Education for the Hawaii Keiki: Healthy and Ready to Learn Program. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	EDN, FIN
HB 1906, HD1 (HSCR114-24) Status	<p>RELATING TO MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO PROMOTE STUDENT MENTAL HEALTH.</p> <p>Appropriates funds to the Department of Education to enhance its Panorama platform and Trust Circle mobile application or create a new platform. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	EDN, FIN
HB 2242, HD1 (HSCR116-24) Status	<p>RELATING TO EDUCATION.</p> <p>Appropriates funds for four full-time equivalent career foundations certificate program teachers for McKinley Community School for Adults. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	EDN, FIN



HB 1651, HD2 (HSCR561-24) Status	RELATING TO THE SAFETY OF EDUCATIONAL WORKERS. Requires the Department of Education and public charter schools to take certain steps to report incidents of harassment and implement procedures for handling harassment of educational workers. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD2)	EDN, JHA, FIN
HB 2043, HD2 (HSCR562-24) 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. (HD2)	EDN, JHA, FIN
HB 1969, HD1 (HSCR35-24) Status	RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION. Establishes the shade tree program in the Department of Education to support educational activities and encourage propagation of native shade trees for planting in department schools. Appropriates funds for the program and to establish an arborist position. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	EDN, FIN

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

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Chair

