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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Tuesday, February 27, 2024
TIME: 2:00 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 2499, HD2](#)
[\(HSCR587-24\)](#)
[Status](#)

RELATING TO PROCUREMENT FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII.
Removes the repeal and reenactment in Act 8, Special SLH 2021, to maintain the authority of the President of the University of Hawaii to act as the University of Hawaii's chief procurement officer. Effective 6/29/3000. (HD2)

LGO, CPC, FIN

[HB 2496, HD1](#)
[\(HSCR227-24\)](#)
[Status](#)

RELATING TO PROCUREMENT.
Adds alternative procurement methods to the types of methods of source selection. Allows an alternative procurement method when the federal government provides for or approves the alternative procurement method and the head of the purchasing agency makes a written determination that it is neither practicable nor advantageous to use the existing statutory procurement methods. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)

LGO, FIN



HB 1686, HD1 (HSCR403-24) Status	<p>RELATING TO INSURANCE.</p> <p>Increases the reimbursement rate for chiropractic treatments for personal injury protection benefits under motor vehicle insurance from \$75 to \$100. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	LGO, CPC, FIN
HB 2641, HD1 (HSCR604-24) Status	<p>RELATING TO APPRAISAL MANAGEMENT COMPANIES.</p> <p>Reestablishes the appraisal management company registration program within the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs, to begin September 30, 2024. Appropriates funds from the compliance resolution fund for the program. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	LGO, CPC, FIN
HB 2382, HD1 (HSCR222-24) Status	<p>RELATING TO THE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM.</p> <p>Clarifies the Employees' Retirement System's eligibility requirement definitions for service-connected disability and accidental death benefits. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	LGO, FIN
HB 2395, HD1 (HSCR481-24) Status	<p>RELATING TO THE HAWAII NATIONAL GUARD.</p> <p>Makes Hawaii National Guard service members activated by the Governor or the Governor's designated representative to state active duty ineligible for enrollment in the Employees' Retirement System based on the active duty. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	LGO/CMV, FIN
HB 2396, HD1 (HSCR482-24) Status	<p>RELATING TO THE HAWAII NATIONAL GUARD.</p> <p>Authorizes the payment of allowances for TRICARE Reserve Select coverages to junior officers, warrant officers, or enlisted personnel of the Hawaii National Guard ordered to active duty for more than thirty days in service to the State. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	LGO/CMV, FIN
HB 2552, HD1 (HSCR401-24) Status	<p>RELATING TO EMPLOYEE BENEFITS.</p> <p>Extends, under certain conditions, the family leave period for up to eight additional weeks for employees who are unable to perform their employment duties due to the birth of a child who is required to stay in a neonatal intensive care unit. Requires the Civil Rights Commission to amend its rules to include neonatal care as a related medical condition whenever certain phrases are used. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	LGO, CPC, FIN
HB 2235, HD1 (HSCR488-24) Status	<p>RELATING TO NON-GENERAL FUNDS.</p> <p>Reclassifies or repeals certain non-general funds of the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations, pursuant to the recommendations made by the Auditor in Auditor's Report No. 23-06. Exempts the boiler and elevator special fund from central services expenses. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	LGO, FIN
HB 1967, HD1 (HSCR483-24) Status	<p>RELATING TO THE HUMAN TRAFFICKING VICTIM SERVICES FUND.</p> <p>Changes the administration of the human trafficking victim services fund from the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations to the Department of the Attorney General. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	LGO/JHA, FIN
HB 2463, HD1 (HSCR226-24) Status	<p>RELATING TO THE WAGE AND HOUR LAW.</p> <p>Amends the definition of "employee" in Hawaii's wage and hour law by repealing the definition's categorical exclusion of any employee who receives guaranteed compensation totaling \$2,000 or more a month. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	LGO, FIN



HB 2658, HD1 (HSCR109-24) Status	<p>RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT.</p> <p>Repeals the requirement that the Director of Human Resources Development must submit a report to the Legislature before reclassifying and abolishing vacant positions within state departments and agencies that are under the jurisdiction of DHRD. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	LGO, FIN
HB 2069, HD1 (HSCR487-24) Status	<p>RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND GENERAL SERVICES.</p> <p>Permits DAGS to employ certain persons within the comptroller's office that are exempt from civil service and collective bargaining. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	LGO, FIN
HB 1832, HD1 (HSCR221-24) Status	<p>RELATING TO HIRING.</p> <p>Authorizes a state department, division, or agency, rather than the Department of Human Resources Development, to conduct a minimum qualification review of applicants for vacant positions within the department, division, or agency. Requires the Department of Human Resources Development to provide state departments, divisions, and agencies the applications received for vacancies under certain circumstances. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	LGO, FIN
HB 2196, HD1 (HSCR154-24) Status	<p>RELATING TO PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT.</p> <p>Removes requirement of a college degree for any state position, unless the degree is relevant to licensing or certification as it relates to the duties and responsibilities of the position or when the position requires specialized knowledge, skills, or subject-matter expertise relevant to the degree. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	LGO, FIN
HB 2401, HD1 (HSCR279-24) Status	<p>RELATING TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION.</p> <p>Allows newly graduated high school students to be eligible for workers' compensation coverage during the summer following their high school graduation while participating in Department of Education-sponsored work-based learning programs. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	LGO/EDN, FIN
HB 1827, HD1 (HSCR281-24) Status	<p>RELATING TO HEALTHCARE WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT.</p> <p>Appropriates funds to the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations and Department of Education to support health care workforce development programs, specifically the public high school health care workforce certificate program and glidepath program for certified nurse aides. Appropriates funds to renovate and equip certain public high school classrooms to be used for health care training. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	LGO/EDN, FIN
HB 1889, HD1 (HSCR108-24) Status	<p>RELATING TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION MEDICAL BENEFITS.</p> <p>Expands workers' compensation medical benefits for firefighters to include coverage for breast cancer and cancer of the female reproductive organs. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	LGO, FIN



HB 1530, HD1 (HSCR486-24) Status	<p>RELATING TO FIRE PROTECTION.</p> <p>For a collective bargaining agreement or executive policy in effect on and after 7/1/2025, requires that an employer of firefighters maintains its fire staffing service at a level of no less than four on-duty firefighters in each company. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	LGO, FIN
HB 1946, HD1 (HSCR103-24) Status	<p>RELATING TO PROCESS IMPROVEMENT.</p> <p>Establishes and appropriates funds for a three-year pilot program in the office of the governor for an office of process improvement. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	LGO, FIN
HB 1945, HD1 (HSCR106-24) Status	<p>RELATING TO A LEAVE CASH-OUT PROGRAM.</p> <p>Establishes and appropriates funds for a leave cash-out pilot program for eligible department of corrections and rehabilitation employees who work in any state correctional facility. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	LGO, FIN
HB 1556, HD1 (HSCR4-24) Status	<p>RELATING TO STATE EMPLOYMENT.</p> <p>Establishes and appropriates funds for permanent positions within the Employee Staffing Division of the Department of Human Resources Development for the recruitment and retention of state employees. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	LGO, FIN
HB 1638, HD1 (HSCR375-24) Status	<p>RELATING TO COUNTY LABOR STANDARDS.</p> <p>Authorizes the counties to require employers to disclose information regarding its employees' wages, benefits, hours, and employment status and deny, revoke, or suspend a building permit application for violating laws relating to wages, benefits, hours, and employment status, under certain conditions. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	LGO, JHA, FIN
HB 1639, HD1 (HSCR6-24) Status	<p>RELATING TO THE HAWAII EMPLOYER-UNION HEALTH BENEFITS TRUST FUND BASE COMPOSITE MONTHLY CONTRIBUTION.</p> <p>Increases the employer base composite monthly contribution effective 1/1/2025 by 5.2 per cent of the 2024 employer base. Provides that effective 1/1/2026, the employer base composite monthly contribution will be based on the change in medicare part B premiums from 2024 to 2025 and at a two-year lag thereafter. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	LGO, FIN
HB 1640, HD1 (HSCR28-24) Status	<p>RELATING TO COLLECTIVE BARGAINING.</p> <p>Requires the employer to initiate negotiations on repricing of classes within a bargaining unit within thirty days of its receipt of the exclusive representative's written request to negotiate. Establishes that the employer's failure to initiate the negotiation within such time frame and the parties' failure to reach an agreement within ninety days of the exclusive representative's written request to negotiate or by January 31 of a year in which the collective bargaining agreement is due to expire, whichever is earlier, constitutes an impasse to which the impasse procedures shall apply, under certain conditions. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	LGO, FIN



HB 1643, HD1 (HSCR453-24) Status	RELATING TO INDEBTEDNESS. Shortens the time within which a disbursing officer must notify an employee of indebtedness to the government resulting from salary or wage overpayment. Amends the criteria for an actionable cause of action. Amends the amount a disbursing officer shall deduct to begin immediate recovery of indebtedness based on an employee's gross income. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	LGO, JHA, FIN
HB 1645, HD1 (HSCR101-24) Status	RELATING TO STATE POSITION VACANCIES. Requires the Department of Human Resources Development to include information and data on the vacancies of the executive branch in its annual report to the legislature. Appropriates funds. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	LGO, FIN
HB 2480, HD1 (HSCR225-24) Status	RELATING TO THE CERTIFICATION OF DOCUMENTS. Establishes the Apostilles and Certifications Special Fund. Requires the Office of the Lieutenant Governor to set a fee for the issuance of an apostille or a non-apostille certification by administrative rules. Appropriates funds into and out of the special fund. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	LGO, FIN

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

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Chair

