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NOTICE OF HEARING

Thursday, February 6, 2025
2:00PM
VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE
Conference Room 329
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

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HB 205, HD1 (HSCR8) Status	RELATING TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION. Establishes a payment rate not to exceed cost plus forty per cent for nonprescription drugs, over-the-counter drugs, or nonlegend drugs for workers' compensation purposes, subject to certain conditions. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	LAB, CPC, FIN
HB 480, HD1 (HSCR11) Status	RELATING TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION. Authorizes an attending physician to request a functional capacity exam and refer an injured employee for the exam without first obtaining permission from the employee's employer. Allows licensed occupational and physical therapists to be deemed qualified to perform functional capacity exams. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	LAB, CPC, FIN



<u>HB 331, HD1</u> (<u>HSCR21)</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO PERMITS. Establishes an exemption from applicable county permit requirements for repetitive construction projects for facilities under the control of any state department or agency, under certain conditions. Clarifies that, except for projects in special flood hazard areas, contracts for the construction, renovation, or repair of facilities under the control of the Department of Education, University of Hawaii, or School Facilities Authority shall be exempt from county permitting requirements that related off-site improvements be made by the contracting government agency as a condition to the issuance of any permit. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	WAL, CPC, FIN
HB 72, HD1 (HSCR68) Status	RELATING TO PHARMACY. Beginning 1/1/2026, requires pharmacy technicians to be registered. Imposes a duty on pharmacists-in-charge to report violations conducted by registered pharmacy technicians. Specifies that supervising registered pharmacists are responsible for the actions of registered pharmacy technicians and pharmacy interns. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	HLT, CPC, FIN
HB 139, HD1 (HSCR65) Status	RELATING TO INSURANCE. For policies, contracts, plans, and agreements issued or renewed after 12/31/2025, requires insurers, mutual benefit societies, and health maintenance organizations to provide coverage for standard fertility preservation services for persons undergoing medically necessary treatment that may cause iatrogenic infertility. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	HLT, CPC, FIN
HB 302, HD1 (HSCR33) Status	RELATING TO CANNABIS. Repeals the requirement that a provider-patient relationship be established in person. Allows applicants or primary caregivers to temporarily purchase medical cannabis after the submission of the applicant's certification form. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	HLT, CPC, JHA
HB 470, HD1 (HSCR96) Status	RELATING TO NOISE. Increases fines for violations of leaf blower, string trimmer, and weed whacker restrictions. Repeals the exemptions for government entities and their agents from these restrictions. Beginning 7/1/2028, prohibits the sale of any leaf blower, string trimmer, or weed whacker that is rated by its manufacturer at greater than sixty-five dbA when measured at fifty feet. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	EEP, CPC, JHA
HB 534, HD1 (HSCR80) Status	RELATING TO LABELING REQUIREMENTS. Prohibits the sale of processed ahi in retail establishments without a label that states the country where the ahi was landed. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	AGR, CPC, FIN
HB 47, HD1 (HSCR23) Status	RELATING TO AQUACULTURE. Authorizes the Division of Animal Industry of the Department of Agriculture to adopt, amend, and repeal rules to develop an assessment and approval process to import and move aquatic livestock in the State. Requires the Aquaculture Program to develop a risk-based framework and biocontainment standards for the aquatic livestock assessment and approval process. Appropriates funds. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	AGR, CPC, FIN



DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

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Rep. Scot Z. Matayoshi Chair

