THE SENATE KA 'AHA KENEKOA

THE THIRTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE REGULAR SESSION OF 2025

COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION

Senator Jarrett Keohokalole, Chair Senator Carol Fukunaga, Vice Chair

MEASURES DEFERRED TO FRIDAY, JANUARY 31, 2025

DATE: Friday, January 31, 2025 TIME: 9:35am PLACE: Conference Room 229 State Capitol 415 South Beretania Street TIMESLOT: CPN

DECISION MAKING ON THE FOLLOWING MEASURE(S):

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<u>SB 137</u> <u>Status &</u> <u>Testimony</u>	RELATING TO ELECTRIC UTILITIES. Requires the PUC to impose certain conditions of approval on any order approving, in whole or in part, an application for the proposed acquisition, merger, or consolidation of an electric utility company by an acquiring entity. Establishes a process to ensure that when an application for the proposed acquisition, merger, or consolidation of an electric utility company is filed with the PUC by an acquiring entity that is an investor-owned utility, alternative applications submitted by entities that operate under a non-investor-owned utilities ownership model are concurrently reviewed.	CPN, JDC/WAM
<u>SB 142</u> <u>Status &</u> <u>Testimony</u>	RELATING TO INSURANCE. Requires insurers who choose to pay the proceeds of or a claim under an insurance policy by issuing a check to deliver the check by certified mail, restricted delivery, postage prepaid, return receipt requested, to the last known address of the person designated in the policy as being entitled to the insured or designated beneficiary. Establishes that insurers who choose to pay the proceeds of or a claim under an insurance policy by issuing a check shall not be relieved of their obligation to pay the proceeds or claim until they receive a sworn affidavit from the insured or designated beneficiary confirming receipt of the check. Establishes remedies for claimants if a check is lost, destroyed, or stolen; and for insurers if they incur losses due to reissuing the check.	CPN, JDC

<u>SB 525</u> <u>Status &</u> <u>Testimony</u> RELATING TO MANDATORY PRIOR WRITTEN NOTICE AND CONSENT IN CONTRACTS TO PROVIDE CREMATION SERVICES. Beginning 10/1/2025, requires mortuaries, cemeteries, and preneed funeral authorities that contract to provide cremation services to provide written notice if precious metals are recovered after cremation and to obtain written consent before the sale or recycling of any recovered precious metals. Requires mortuaries, cemeteries, and pre-need funeral authorities that have contracted to provide cremation services to give certain notice of updated terms by 1/1/2026.

No testimony will be accepted.

FOR AMENDED NOTICES: Measures that have been deleted are stricken through and measures that have been added are underscored. If a measure is both underscored and stricken through, that measure has been deleted from the agenda.

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