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

NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: TIME: PLACE:

Friday, March 14, 2025 9:30 AM Conference Room 229 & Videoconference State Capitol 415 South Beretania Street

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AGENDA

HB 70, HD1 (HSCR1060) Status & Testimony	RELATING TO CONDOMINIUM. Requires budget summaries to contain all required information without referring the reader to other portions of the budget. States that the defense of good faith compliance is unavailable to any association whose board adopts a budget that omits the required budget summary. Clarifies the ability to enforce compliance with budget summary and replacement reserves requirements and provides that an association has the burden of proving compliance. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	CPN, JDC
HB 420, HD3 (HSCR1162) Status & Testimony	RELATING TO REMEDIES. Clarifies the applicability of the statute of repose for actions arising from construction defects. Repeals the two-year limitation for actions arising from construction defects. Clarifies the required contents of a notice of claim of construction defect served on a contractor. Specifies that claimants must comply with the Contractor Repair Act and bars persons from joining a class for failure to comply with the Contractor Repair Act. Amends the process and time frame for a claimant to accept a contractor's offer to settle or inspect. Limits the amount a claimant can recover if the claimant rejects a contractor's reasonable proposal for inspection or a reasonable offer to remedy. Clarifies the consequences of rejecting an offer of settlement. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD3)	CPN, JDC

HB 463, HD3 (HSCR1071) Status & Testimony	RELATING TO EVICTION RECORDS. Requires the courts to disassociate, within a reasonable time, a residential tenant from a legal proceeding brought by a landlord to evict a tenant if certain conditions are met. Authorizes the court to disassociate a residential tenant from a legal proceeding upon motion by a tenant who is able to demonstrate that certain conditions apply. Makes it a discriminatory practice to discriminate against a person based on the knowledge or belief that the person has been the subject of an action that has been disassociated. Prohibits discrimination in real property transactions against a person that has been the subject of an action that has been disassociated. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD3)	CPN, JDC
HB 544, HD1 (HSCR810) Status & Testimony	RELATING TO PET INSURANCE. Establishes a regulatory framework specifically for pet insurance based on the National Association of Insurance Commissioners' Pet Insurance Model Act. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	CPN, JDC
HB 807, HD2 (HSCR1008) Status & Testimony	RELATING TO CONDOMINIUMS. Establishes the Condominium Loan Program to provide condominium associations with low-cost financing, or refinancing for previously obtained loans, for maintenance or repair projects. Establishes the Condominium Loan Loss Reserves Program to incentivize lenders to provide loans at competitive rates and terms to condominium associations for the purpose of allowing condominium associations to make necessary maintenance or repairs. Appropriates funds. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD2)	CPN, WAM

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Senator Jarrett Keohokalole Chair