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COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Senator Joy A. San Buenaventura, Chair
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NOTICE OF HEARING DEFERRED TO WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2025

DATE: Wednesday, February 12, 2025
TIME: 1:00PM
PLACE: Conference Room 225 & Videoconference
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street
TIMESLOT: HHS

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A G E N D A

The Committee will meet to continue the hearing started on Monday, February 10, 2025 on the measures listed below. The committee was unable to complete the hearing on Monday due to time constraints. Additional testimony will not be accepted

SB 710 Status & Testimony	RELATING TO CHILD WELFARE. Establishes the Child Welfare Task Force to develop strategies and policy changes to transform and improve the State's child welfare system. Requires support from the Department of Human Services. Requires a report to the legislature. Appropriates moneys.	HHS, WAM
SB 952 Status & Testimony	RELATING TO CHILD WELFARE SERVICES. Requires the Office of Wellness and Resilience to design, implement, and administer a two-year Child Welfare System Diversion and Intervention Pilot Program to support families and children involved, at risk of involvement, or at risk of reinvolverment with child welfare services. Allows the office to contract with public and private entities to provide necessary services. Requires a report to the Legislature. Appropriates funds.	HHS, WAM
SB 954 Status & Testimony	RELATING TO A RATE STUDY FOR HOME HEALTH SERVICES. Appropriates funding for the Department of Human Services to conduct a rate study for Medicaid home health services in Hawaii.	HHS, WAM

[SB 957](#)
[Status &](#)
[Testimony](#)

RELATING TO OVERDOSE PREVENTION.

HHS, WAM/JDC

Establishes and provides criteria for overdose prevention centers, including standards for the Department of Health to designate certain facilities as overdose prevention centers. Establishes an Overdose Prevention Center Oversight Committee. Provides immunity from state criminal prosecution for certain offenses for persons using a designated overdose prevention center and persons operating a designated overdose prevention center.

[SB 1609](#)
[Status &](#)
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RELATING TO CHILD CARE.

HHS, WAM

Requires the Department of Human Services to establish and implement an early learning contracts program to make available a designated number of seats at licensed infant and toddler child care centers and family child care centers for families referred by the Department at a negotiated rate and schedule. Requires the Department of Human Services to submit reports to the Legislature.

Decision Making to follow, if time permits.

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