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COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC SAFETY AND MILITARY AFFAIRS

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COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Friday, February 7, 2025  
TIME: 3:10 PM  
PLACE: Conference Room 225 & Videoconference  
State Capitol  
415 South Beretania Street  
TIMESLOT: PSM

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A G E N D A

**SB 1612**

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RELATING TO FITNESS TO PROCEED.  
Requires and appropriates moneys for the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, in collaboration with the Department of Health, to establish and implement a 5-year fitness to proceed pilot program. Requires an interim report and final report to the Legislature.

PSM/HHS, WAM

**SB 1322**

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**RELATING TO MENTAL HEALTH.****HHS/PSM, JDC**

Clarifies and expands the circumstances and procedures available for emergency transportation, examination, and hospitalization under chapter 334. Provides limits on liability for state and local governments and professionals during mental health emergency procedures while performing their duties in the course of employment. Expands the notice requirements for an emergency hospitalization to include an individual's health-care surrogate and clarifies when notice to family members can be waived. Removes the authority of the family court to appoint a legal guardian in a proceeding for involuntary hospitalization. Removes the requirement that psychiatric facilities wait for a response on a notice of intent to discharge an involuntary hospitalization patient prior to discharge. Clarifies the circumstances under which a subject of an order for assisted community treatment can be administered medication over the subject's objection. Provides limits on liability for an assisted community treatment provider. Modifies the administrative authorization of medical treatment over the patient's objection to be reviewed by a single decision-maker who is a psychiatrist.

**SB 951**

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**RELATING TO CHILD PROTECTION.****HHS/PSM, JDC**

Requires mandatory reports of child abuse or neglect to include the military status of the child's parent or guardian, if known. Requires the Department of Human Services to make efforts to determine the military status of a person implicated in child abuse or neglect and to inform the appropriate Department of Defense family advocacy program of an open investigation of a member of the United States military. Requires the Director of Human Services to amend or adopt rules, to authorize the disclosure to Department of Defense family advocacy programs any allegations of child abuse or neglect involving a member of the United States military.

**SB 228**

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**RELATING TO EXCITED DELIRIUM.****HHS/PSM, JDC**

Prohibits excited delirium from being recognized as a valid medical diagnosis or cause of death in the State. Prohibits a local health officer or local agent of the Department of Health from stating on a certificate of death or in any report that the cause of death was excited delirium. Prohibits law enforcement officers from using the term excited delirium to describe an individual in an incident report. Establishes a new rule of evidence that deems evidence that a person experienced or suffered an excited delirium inadmissible in a civil action.

**SB 296**

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**RELATING TO MINORS.****HHS/PSM, WAM**

Authorizes a physician, upon consultation with a minor patient who indicates that the minor was the victim of a sexual offense, with the consent of the minor patient, to perform customary and necessary examinations to obtain evidence of the sexual offense and may prescribe for and treat the patient for any immediate condition caused by the sexual offense. Provides that the consent of the parent, parents, or legal guardian of a minor offender who has been committed to the Hawaii youth correctional facilities is not necessary in order to authorize hospital, medical, mental health, dental, emergency health, or emergency surgical care.

Decision Making to follow, if time permits.

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- Testifiers for this hearing will be limited to **1 minute** each.

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