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## **NOTICE OF HEARING**

DATE: Thursday, January 30, 2025

TIME: 9:00am

PLACE: VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE

Conference Room 423

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

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### AGENDA



HB 604 RELATING TO TAX REVENUES. TOU/HSG, JHA, Status Beginning on 1/1/2026, increases transient accommodations tax rates FIN by 1 percentage point. Deposits the increased revenues into the Hawaiian Home General Loan Fund established under the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act, 1920, as amended. TOU, CPC, FIN HB 973 RELATING TO TRANSIENT ACCOMMODATIONS. Status Requires transient accommodations brokers and any other persons or entities to offer, list, advertise, or display a transient accommodations rental rate that includes all resort fees required for the furnishing of transient accommodations. Requires transient accommodations brokers and any other persons or entities to include all applicable taxes and fees imposed by a government on the stay in the total price to be paid before the consumer reserves the furnishing of transient accommodations. Establishes penalties. Effective 1/1/2026. HB 594 RELATING TO HOTELS. TOU, JHA, CPC Status Requires hotelkeepers to provide adequate notice of service disruptions to guests and third-party vendors under certain conditions. Allows for recovery of damages. RELATING TO TECHNOLOGY ENABLEMENT. TOU/ECD, FIN HB 448 Status Appropriates funds to the Hawaii Technology Development Corporation to assist small businesses, including those related to the tourism sector, with technology enablement. HB 449 RELATING TO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT. TOU/ECD, FIN Status Establishes a program that provides technology enablement for small businesses related to tourism in the State. Appropriates funds for assisting in the development and promotion of Hawaii-manufactured

## **DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW**

products through the INNOVATE Hawaii program.

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