

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
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COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & TECHNOLOGY

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AMENDED NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Wednesday, February 5, 2025
TIME: 10:00 am
PLACE: VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE
 Conference Room 423
 State Capitol
 415 South Beretania Street

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A M E N D E D A G E N D A

The following measures have been **ADDED** to the agenda: **HB701** and **HB753**

HB 455 Status	RELATING TO SMALL BUSINESS LOANS. Establishes the Hawaii start-up business loan program. Establishes the Hawaii start-up business loan program special fund. Requires DBEDT to submit an annual report to the Legislature regarding the program. Appropriates funds.	ECD, FIN
HB 437 Status	RELATING TO OUT-OF-STATE OFFICES. Requires, and appropriates funds for, the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism to establish an out-of-state office in the Philippines.	ECD, FIN
HB 650 Status	RELATING TO SEA SALT PRODUCTS. Appropriates moneys to the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism for providing education and support to local businesses regarding the United States Food and Drug Administration's guidance on colored sea salt.	ECD, FIN



<u>HB 935</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO DIGITAL EQUITY. Establishes and appropriates funds for a digital navigator pilot program to offer technical assistance with computers and electronic devices to residents.	ECD, FIN
<u>HB 934</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO THE HAWAII BROADBAND AND DIGITAL EQUITY OFFICE. Transfers the Hawaii Broadband and Digital Equity Office from the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism to the Office of Enterprise Technology Services in the Department of Accounting and General Services. Establishes the Hawaii Broadband and Digital Equity Special Fund. Appropriates funds.	ECD, FIN
<u>HB 1442</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO OFFICE OF ENTREPRENEURSHIP. Establishes the office of entrepreneurship. Authorizes the use of the Hawaii film and creative industries development special fund for a partnership program with the office. Appropriates funds.	ECD, FIN
<u>HB 572</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO GENERAL EXCISE TAX. Exempts food and groceries from the general excise tax. Expands a 2024 session law exempting certain medical and dental services to include all medical and dental services.	ECD, FIN
<u>HB 701, HD1</u> <u>(HSCR4)</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO TAXATION. Establishes a refundable Family Caregiver Tax Credit for nonpaid family caregivers. Requires the Department of Taxation to report to the Legislature. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	HSH, ECD, FIN
<u>HB 753, HD1</u> <u>(HSCR5)</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO THE HOUSEHOLD AND DEPENDENT CARE SERVICES TAX CREDIT. Increases a taxpayer's applicable percentage of employment-related expenses that is used to calculate the household and dependent care services tax credit. Extends the sunset date of the temporary increase in maximum employment-related expenses that are used to calculate the household and dependent care services tax credit, established by Act 163, SLH 2023, to 6/30/2030. Effective 7/1/3000. Sunsets 6/30/3005. (HD1)	HSH, ECD, FIN

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

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Rep. Greggor Ilagan
Chair

