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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Tuesday, February 25, 2025
TIME: 12:00 p.m.
PLACE: VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE
Conference Room 308
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

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A G E N D A #2

HB 1045, HD1 (HSCR690) Status	MAKING EMERGENCY APPROPRIATIONS FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL COSTS. Makes emergency appropriations for fiscal year 2024-2025 to the Department of Accounting and General Services and the Judiciary for payroll and fringe benefits of affected Department of Law Enforcement personnel. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	JHA, FIN
HB 871, HD1 (HSCR285) Status	RELATING TO THE HAWAIIAN HOMES COMMISSION ACT. Clarifies that Act 130, SLH 2024, which amended the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act, takes effect on the earlier of the date of the Secretary of the Interior's notification letter that Act 130 does not require congressional approval, or on the date that the United States Congress approval becomes law. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	JHA, FIN



HB 1174, HD1 (HSCR695) Status	RELATING TO THE PROCEDURE FOR PAYMENT UNDER PROTEST LAWSUITS. Allows for the interest earned on payments under protest in the litigated claims fund to be paid in nontaxation cases if the claimant prevails. Establishes a procedure for the disposition of moneys and refileing of actions when a payment under protest suit is filed prematurely. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	JHA, FIN
HB 472, HD1 (HSCR620) Status	RELATING TO DIGITAL IDENTIFICATION. Requires digitized identification cards to be accepted as a valid form of identification, under certain conditions. Authorizes state and county law enforcement agencies to accept a digitized identification card as proof of a person's identity. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	JHA, FIN
HB 134, HD1 (HSCR172) Status	RELATING TO ELECTIONS. Requires the Chief Election Officer to provide a system for the electronic filing of nomination papers. Appropriates funds. Effective 1/1/3000. (HD1)	JHA, FIN
HB 370, HD1 (HSCR171) Status	RELATING TO PARTIAL PUBLIC FINANCING OF ELECTIONS. Increases the amount of partial public campaign financing available for all elective offices. Adjusts the minimum amount of qualifying contributions certain candidates must receive to participate in the program. Increases the matching fund payments for excess qualifying contributions. Appropriates funds for the program and staff. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	JHA, FIN
HB 990, HD1 (HSCR686) Status	MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR CLAIMS AGAINST THE STATE, ITS OFFICERS, OR ITS EMPLOYEES. Makes appropriations and approves payments for claims against the State, its officers, and its employees. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	JHA, FIN
HB 1001, HD1 (HSCR688) Status	RELATING TO SETTLEMENT OF CLAIMS RELATED TO THE MAUI WILDFIRES. Makes general fund appropriations for fiscal years 2025-2026 and 2026-2027 to fund the settlement of claims related to the Maui wildfires. Establishes the Maui Wildfires Settlement Trust Fund to be administered by the Attorney General. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	JHA, FIN
HB 399, HD1 (HSCR290) Status	RELATING TO DISTRICT COURT JUDGES. Establishes one additional district court judgeship in the First Circuit. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	JHA, FIN
HB 401, HD1 (HSCR291) Status	RELATING TO DISTRICT COURT JUDGES. Establishes one additional district court judgeship in the Third Circuit. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	JHA, FIN
HB 395, HD1 (HSCR281) Status	RELATING TO JURY DUTY. Increases the amount each juror or prospective juror is paid for each day of actual attendance at court. Appropriates funds. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	JHA, FIN



<u>HB 396, HD1</u> <u>(HSCR287)</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO COMPENSATION FOR COURT-APPOINTED COUNSEL. Increases the rate of compensation and maximum allowable amounts per case for court-appointed counsel in criminal proceedings. Appropriates funds. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	JHA, FIN
<u>HB 398, HD1</u> <u>(HSCR289)</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO COMPENSATION FOR COURT-APPOINTED REPRESENTATION. Increases the rate of compensation and maximum allowable amounts per case for court-appointed counsel and guardians ad litem in family court proceedings. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	JHA, FIN
<u>HB 560, HD1</u> <u>(HSCR724)</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO THE JUDICIARY. Appropriates funds to the Judiciary for services contracted with community-based organizations that deliver essential services, streamline judicial processes, and support the judiciary's capacity to effectively meet the needs of vulnerable households. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	JHA, FIN
<u>HB 648, HD1</u> <u>(HSCR689)</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO GUARDIANSHIP AND CONSERVATORSHIP SERVICES. Establishes a two-year pilot program in the Probate Court and Family Court of the First Circuit to fund certain guardianship- and conservatorship-related court resources in situations where the respondent does not have sufficient funds to pay for one or more of the resources and the court has deemed the resource or resources beneficial. Requires the Judiciary to submit reports to the Governor and Legislature. Appropriates funds. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	JHA, FIN
<u>HB 727, HD1</u> <u>(HSCR624)</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO THE WOMEN'S COURT. Establishes a temporary three-year women's court pilot program within the Second and Fifth Circuits. Requires the Third Circuit of the Judiciary and Big Island Drug Court to conduct an interim study to establish a blueprint for a women's court pilot program in the Third Circuit. Requires reports. Establishes temporary positions. Appropriates funds. Effective 7/1/3000. Sunsets 6/30/2028. (HD1)	JHA, FIN
<u>HB 806, HD1</u> <u>(HSCR735)</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO FIREWORKS. Appropriates funds for the Department of Law Enforcement to conduct sting operations on Oahu to enforce fireworks ordinances or laws. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	LAB, JHA, FIN
<u>HB 550, HD1</u> <u>(HSCR616)</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO FIREWORKS. PART I: Allows recordings made by law enforcement agencies who are using, controlling, or operating unmanned aerial vehicles to establish probable cause for arrests under the Fireworks Control Law if the unmanned aerial vehicle is recording directly above public property and the act leading to the arrest is committed on public property. PART II: Appropriates funds to the Department of Law Enforcement for the purchase of unmanned aerial vehicles to monitor the use of illegal fireworks. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	JHA, FIN



HB 1483, HD1 (HSCR629) Status	<p>RELATING TO FIREWORKS.</p> <p>Establishes an adjudication system and procedures to process fireworks infractions. Amends multiple definitions and penalties for fireworks offenses, including heightened penalties if another person suffers substantial bodily injury, serious bodily injury, or death as a result of the fireworks offenses. Establishes various criminal offenses and penalties related to fireworks or articles pyrotechnics. Appropriates funds. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	<p>JHA, FIN</p>
HB 126, HD1 (HSCR618) Status	<p>RELATING TO PROPERTY FORFEITURE.</p> <p>Increases transparency and accountability surrounding property forfeiture. Clarifies which property is subject to forfeiture. Amends the authorized disposition of forfeited property and the proceeds thereof. Repeals language that requires the Hawaii Omnibus Criminal Forfeiture Act to be construed liberally. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	<p>JHA, FIN</p>
HB 664, HD1 (HSCR697) Status	<p>RELATING TO GUN VIOLENCE PREVENTION.</p> <p>Establishes the Office of Gun Violence Prevention to conduct community outreach on gun violence prevention, develop and administer a grant program for gun violence prevention, and develop and administer a gun violence resource bank. Establishes the Gun Violence Prevention Special Fund and appropriates funds into and out of the special fund. Appropriates funds. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	<p>JHA, FIN</p>

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

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Rep. Kyle T. Yamashita
Chair

