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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Thursday, January 30, 2025
TIME: 2:00 p.m.
PLACE: VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE
 Conference Room 325
 State Capitol
 415 South Beretania Street

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A G E N D A

HB 400 Status	RELATING TO THE JUDICIARY. Appropriates funds for the Judiciary for the fiscal biennium beginning 7/1/2025, and ending 6/30/2027. Effective 7/1/2025.	JHA, FIN
HB 395 Status	RELATING TO JURY DUTY. Increases the amount each juror or prospective juror is paid for each day of actual attendance at court. Appropriates moneys.	JHA, FIN
HB 396 Status	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 moneys.	JHA, FIN



HB 397 Status	RELATING TO THE EXAMINATION OF CRIMINAL DEFENDANTS. Establishes the amount of compensation for private-sector examiners who evaluate a criminal defendant's penal responsibility or fitness to proceed in a legal case. Appropriates moneys.	JHA, FIN
HB 398 Status	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.	JHA, FIN
HB 399 Status	RELATING TO DISTRICT COURT JUDGES. Establishes 1 additional district court judgeship in the First Circuit.	JHA, FIN
HB 401 Status	RELATING TO DISTRICT COURT JUDGES. Establishes 1 additional district court judgeship in the Third Circuit.	JHA, FIN
HB 402 Status	RELATING TO PROSPECTIVE JURORS. Authorizes the Judiciary to determine the format of the juror qualification form and the means of its delivery and return. Removes the requirement that the form be mailed.	JHA
HB 114 Status	RELATING TO THE JUDICIARY. Establishes positions and appropriates funds for Adult Services Probation of the First Circuit Court.	JHA, FIN
HB 132 Status	RELATING TO EXPUNGEMENT. Makes an amendment to the Department of the Attorney General pilot project for a state-initiated expungement process of arrest records concerning promoting a detrimental drug in the third degree to include the possession of any schedule V substance in any amount.	JHA
HB 145 Status	RELATING TO EXPUNGEMENT. Authorizes the Hawaii Criminal Justice Data Center to transmit all expungement orders to the Judiciary to effectuate the purposes of Act 159, SLH 2023.	JHA
HB 146 Status	RELATING TO THE JUDICIARY'S 'ŌLELO HAWAI'I INITIATIVES. Appropriates funds to support the Olelo Hawaii Initiatives.	JHA, FIN
HB 151 Status	RELATING TO REDRESS FOR WRONGFUL CONVICTION AND IMPRISONMENT. Requires the State to provide written notice to certain persons regarding the ability to file a claim for redress under applicable wrongful conviction law. Requires the liberal construction of that law. Provides for advance compensation for petitioners under certain circumstances. Requires reports to Legislature from the Department of the Attorney General.	JHA, FIN
HB 727 Status	RELATING TO THE WOMEN'S COURT. Establishes a temporary three-year woman's court pilot program within the second, third, and fifth circuits. Establishes temporary positions. Requires a report. Appropriates funds. Sunsets 6/30/2028.	JHA, FIN



DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

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Rep. David A. Tarnas
Chair

