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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE:

Wednesday, February 14, 2007

TIME:

2:00 pm

PLACE:

Conference Room 325

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

AGENDA

HB 116

RELATING TO TELECOMMUNICATIONS.

CPC, FIN

Creates a streamlined application process for wireless

telecommunications facilities and encourages the placement of

antennas on existing utility poles.

HB 275

(HSCR66)

RELATING TO THE UNIFORM ATHLETE AGENTS ACT.

HED, CPC, FIN

Enacts the Uniform Athlete Agents Act to protect student-athletes and educational institutions from potential harm caused by unscrupulous athlete agents. Requires athlete agents to register with department of

commerce and consumer affairs.

HB 639

HD1

(HSCR134)

RELATING TO SOLID WASTE.

EEP, CPC, FIN

Requires distributors to report container numbers sold and make fee payments on that basis. Permits calculation of redemption value by

container count in certain instances. Allows refusal of refund for previously processed and baled containers. Permits the director of health to suspend the deposit beverage container fee. Requires dealers with more than 75,000 square feet of interior space to operate a

redemption center.

HB 1340

HD1

(HSCR197)

RELATING TO THE LOSS MITIGATION GRANT PROGRAM.

Amends the definition of "wind resistive devices" to include residential safe rooms for grant eligibility to encourage the private development of

safe rooms.

HB 1866

RELATING TO MIXED MARTIAL ARTS.

TAC, CPC, FIN

PSM, CPC, FIN

HD1

(HSCR181)

Establishes a state mixed martial arts commission. Provides for

regulation of mixed martial arts. Prohibits no rules combat, extreme or

ultimate fighting, or similar contests (HB1866 HD1).

HB 770 RELATING TO DENTISTS. HLT, CPC, JUD (HSCR42) Allows for the independent administration of a deceased dentist's estate. HB 56 RELATING TO HEALTH. HLT, CPC, FIN HD1 Establishes the Hawaii Health Commission to develop a plan for health (HSCR43) care for all individuals in the state. (HB56 HD1) HB 590 RELATING TO VACCINATIONS. HLT, CPC, FIN Requires health insurance policies issued in the State to cover human (HSCR139) papillomavirus vaccination for people age 11 through 26; directs the department of health to include human papillomavirus immunization in the teen vax program. HB 1118 RELATING TO HEALTH INSURANCE. HLT, CPC, FIN Mandates health insurance coverage for prostate cancer and colorectal (HSCR219) cancer screening by all health and accident insurers, mutual benefit societies, and health maintenance organizations after 12/31/2007. HB 228 RELATING TO HEALTH INSURANCE. HLT, CPC, FIN HD1 Prohibits health insurance rates that are excessive, inadequate, or (HSCR13) unfairly discriminatory. Requires health care insurers to submit rate filings for approval by the insurance commissioner. Establishes penalties and appeal procedures. HB 220 RELATING TO TORTS. HLT, CPC, JUD HD1 Limits non-economic damages in medical tort actions contingent on (HSCR140) compliance with premium rate caps by insurers providing professional liability insurance in Hawaii. Sunsets on the earlier of the date on which an insurer does not comply with the premium rate caps, or July 1, 2015. (HB220 HD1) HB 10 RELATING TO PRESCRIPTION DRUGS. HSH/HLT, CPC, (HSCR10) Makes rebate agreements between drug manufacturers and department FIN of human services mandatory. Requires the department to inform health care providers about drug costs for manufacturers with rebate agreements and those without rebate agreements. HB 1359 RELATING TO THE STATE PHARMACY ASSISTANCE HLT/HSH, CPC, (HSCR267) PROGRAM. FIN Creates a Hawaii State Pharmacy Assistance program by merging the current State Pharmacy Assistance program which coordinates the Medicare Part D drug benefit and the Hawaii Rx plus program under a single comprehensive Hawaii State Pharmacy Assistance program umbrella. HB 1478 RELATING TO THE STATE PHARMACY ASSISTANCE HLT/HSH, CPC, HD1 PROGRAM. FIN (HSCR268) Extends income eligibility requirement to two hundred per cent of the federal poverty level. Requires the department to provide enrollees with counseling about prescription drug plans. Repeals prescription drug rebate funding limitations. (HB1456 HD1)

HB 1456

RELATING TO PSYCHOLOGISTS.

HLT, CPC, JUD

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HD1

(HSCR274)

Establishes a means under state law by which appropriately trained and supervised psychologists practicing at federally qualified health centers

or clinics in medically underserved or a mental health professional shortage areas may prescribe a limited formulary of psychotropic

medications. (HB1456 HD1)

HB 1335 (HSCR220) RELATING TO CHAPTER 460, HAWAII REVISED STATUTES,

OSTEOPATHY.

Makes the application requirements for doctors of osteopathy consistent with those for doctors of medicine. Clarifies the osteopathic residency program, and allows the Board to accept national osteopathic exams. Makes the requirements for a limited and temporary DO

exams. Makes the requirements for a limited and temporary DO license consistent with that for a limited and temporary MD license.

HB 770

RELATING TO DENTISTS.

HLT, CPC, JUD

(HSCR42) Allows for the independent administration of a deceased dentist's

estate.

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

<u>DECISION MAKING ONLY</u> (No testimony will be accepted.)

HB 1627

RELATING TO CONDOMINIUMS.

CPC

Makes technical and conforming amendments that relate to the recodified condominium law. (Deferred from 02/07/07 agenda.)

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