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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE:

Monday, February 5, 2007

TIME:

8:30 A.M.

PLACE:

Conference Room 325

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

AGENDA

HB 200

RELATING TO THE NATURAL ENERGY LABORATORY OF

EDB, EEP, FIN

HAWAII AUTHORITY.

Directs the auditor to conduct a financial and management audit of NELHA's deep sea water pumping system and establish a reasonable rate structure. Freezes rates until the audit is complete.

HB 1675

RELATING TO THE NATURAL ENERGY LABORATORY OF

EDB, FIN

HAWAII AUTHORITY.

Expands the natural energy laboratory of Hawaii authority board of directors from eleven members to thirteen members by adding two additional members from among the tenants of the research and technology park.

HB 837

RELATING TO PROCUREMENT.

EDB, LMG, FIN

Provides a procurement exemption for contracted services with a

legislative agency to prepare studies or reports for legislative submittal.

HB 974

RELATING TO PROCUREMENT.

EDB, LMG, FIN

Transfers the review function of state procurement determinations to

the office of the ombudsman.

HB 916

RELATING TO WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT.

EDB, FIN

Authorizes the department of business, economic development, and

tourism to establish lifelong learning accounts.

HB 1753	RELATING TO HIGH TECHNOLOGY. Appropriates funds for general administrative and fiscal positions of the HTDC. Appropriates funds for the Hawaii Small Business Innovation Research and Grant Program and the Hawaii Small Business Technology Transfer Program. Removes the ceiling on the High Technology Special Fund. Provides that all general administrative and fiscal positions of the HTDC shall not be funded from the High Technology Special Fund. Clarifies that the High Technology Innovation Corporation may establish operational bank accounts in in-state and out-of-state locations without approval from B&F or the comptroller.	EDB, FIN
HB 1865	RELATING TO THE HIGH TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION. Requires a tenant of high technology development corporation facilities to: (1) transfer 2% of its equity to the corporation; and (2) pay 2% of its annual gross revenues to the corporation for deposit into the high tech revenues special fund to pay for cost of acquiring land, building new infrastructure, maintaining existing infrastructure, corporation operations, and grants.	EDB, FIN
HB 1854	RELATING TO NEW MARKETS TAX CREDIT. Provides a new markets tax credit of a certain percentage of the amount paid to a qualified community development entity for a qualified equity investment.	EDB, FIN
HB 1879	RELATING TO MANAGEMENT OF STATE FUNDS. Allows director of finance to invest up to 10% of state short-term investment moneys in linked investments. Sets procedures. Caps loans to \$. Limits uses of such loans. Restricts eligible borrowers to an entrepreneur in the State.	EDB, FIN
HB 33	RELATING TO THE HAWAII LIVING WAGE LAW. Requires private firms contracted by state government to pay covered workers a Hawaii living wage of at least \$9.43 an hour, to begin on 7/1/07 and adjusted thereafter. Requires DLIR to implement living wage. Establishes temporary living wage advisory committee to evaluate law. Repealed 7/1/2011.	EDB, LAB, FIN
HB 312	RELATING TO COMMUNITY-BASED ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT. Appropriates \$500,000 for each year in the 2007-2009 fiscal biennium to provide grants under the Hawaii Community-based Economic Development Technical and Financial Assistance Program.	EDB, FIN
НВ 1274	RELATING TO COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT. Appropriates funds (\$500,000) for grants and loans to community-based organizations on the leeward (Waianae) coast of Oahu for community economic development.	EDB, FIN
НВ 1277	RELATING TO TAX CREDITS. Amends the definition of entities eligible to qualify for an existing leeward region tax credit to increase the number of employers in the leeward coast region who could qualify for the tax credit.	EDB, FIN

HB 1307

RELATING TO BUSINESS REGISTRATION.

EDB, CPC

EDB, FIN

Streamlines the business registration requirements for foreign nonprofit corporations and foreign limited liability companies.

HB 1229

RELATING TO THE ACCESS HAWAII COMMITTEE.

Continues the State's oversight of the Internet portal manager

permanently (Access Hawaii Committee).

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW, IF TIME PERMITS

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