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NOTICE OF DECISION MAKING

DATE:

SATURDAY, February 24, 2007

TIME:

9:55 A.M.

PLACE:

Conference Room 308

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

AGENDA #0

DECISION MAKING ONLY ON THE FOLLOWING BILLS PREVIOUSLY HEARD

HEARD ON FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23, AGENDA # 7:

HB 273

(HSCR187)

RELATING TO ANNUITIES.

Establishes standards and procedures to be followed by insurers or

insurance producers when making recommendations to consumers who

are considering the purchase or exchange of any annuity.

HB 90

RELATING TO INSURANCE.

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HD1 (HSCR360) Enacts the National Conference of Insurance Legislators market conduct surveillance model law, which establishes a framework for the

insurance commissioner to conduct market conduct examinations of

domestic and foreign insurers.

HB 88

CPC, FIN

HD1

(HSCR436)

RELATING TO INSURANCE FRAUD.

Expands the department of commerce and consumer affairs' jurisdiction over insurance fraud to include workers' compensation

cases, until July 1, 2010. Appropriates funds for additional personnel and resources within the department to combat insurance fraud.

HB 1006

HDI (HSCR574) RELATING TO DISASTER PREPAREDNESS.

Establishes the Office of the Director of Disaster Preparedness and a

Disaster Preparedness Commission to develop a disaster preparedness

plan for Hawaii that includes the identification of hazards and hazard impact zones; disaster mitigation policies, requirements, and

incentives; and best responses.

HB 989

RELATING TO LEAVE SHARING.

LAB, FIN

CPC/PSM, FIN

(HSCR245)

Allows employees to donate sick leave credits in addition to vacation credits to assist employees who are on extended leave due to illness.

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HB 1493

RELATING TO THE CRIME VICTIM COMPENSATION

LAB, JUD, FIN

HD1

(HSCR741)

COMMISSION. Exempts existing and new employees of the commission for crime

victim compensation from civil service law as established in chapter

76.

HB 763

RELATING TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION LAW.

LAB, FIN

HD1 (HSCR644) Amends workers' compensation law, including limiting an employer's ability to terminate benefits, authorizing the recovery of attorney's fees and costs by the injured employee, specifying procedures for medical examinations by the employer's physician, establishing fines for violations, requiring the reporting of denials of claims and relevant information, and further restricting the director of labor and industrial

relations' rulemaking authority.

HB 867 (HSCR502) RELATING TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION LAW.

LAB, FIN

Allows negotiation between employers and public unions over

workers' compensation coverage and benefits.

HB 855 HD1

RELATING TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION.

LAB, FIN

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(HSCR626)

Ensures that uninterrupted medical care is provided to an injured employee, even if the injured employee's employer denies further treatment, until the director of labor and industrial relations renders a

final decision on the matter.

HB 854 HD1

RELATING TO CONTINUED TEMPORARY TOTAL DISABILITY

BENEFITS TO INJURED EMPLOYEES.

(HSCR645)

Clarifies that temporary total disability benefits shall be terminated only upon order of the Director of Labor and Industrial Relations or if the employee's treating physician determines that the employee is able to resume work and the employer has made a bona fide offer of work within the employee's medical restrictions. Allows the employer to request that the Director issue a credit for the amount of temporary total disability benefits paid by the employer after the date which the Director had determined should have been the last date of payment.

HEARD ON FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23, AGENDA # 8:

HB 853

RELATING TO PUBLIC WORK PROJECTS.

LAB, EDB, FIN

HD1 (HSCR448) Clarifies that a single violation refers to each separate project where the department of labor and industrial relations finds a contractor has

failed to comply with chapter 104.

HB 859

RELATING TO PUBLIC EMPLOYEES.

LAB, FIN

HDI

(HSCR311)

Allows a public employer to negotiate procedures and criteria on promotions, transfers, assignments, demotions, layoffs, suspensions, terminations, discharges, or other disciplinary actions; requires negotiation over the impact of transfers, assignments, and layoffs of public employees.

LAB, EDB, FIN RELATING TO PUBLIC WORKS. HB 861 Requires that, for public works projects that are not directly caused by (HSCR347) a governmental contracting agency, the department of labor and industrial relations be the responsible agency for ensuring compliance with the State's prevailing wage law. Requires the issuance of special purpose revenue bonds for these projects to be promptly reported to the department of labor and industrial relations. LAB, EDB, FIN RELATING TO PUBLIC WORK PROJECTS. HB 863 Clarifies that a construction contract between private parties is a public (HSCR314) work under certain conditions, that include state or county use of more than half the project. Requires construction project owner to sign a lease agreement that complies with state prevailing wage law. Requires that copies of the lease agreement be filed with the departments of labor and industrial relations and accounting and general services. LAB, EDB, FIN HB 1081 RELATING TO PUBLIC WORKS. Allows a joint labor-management committee established pursuant to (HSCR348) the federal Labor Management Cooperation Act of 1978 to institute an action for injunctive and other relief against an employer that fails to pay its employees the prevailing wage. Effective upon approval. LAB/LMG, FIN RELATING TO LEGISLATIVE INQUIRIES. HB 391 Assists the legislature with fact-finding and promotes complete and HD1 truthful disclosure by prohibiting the payment of salaries of state (HSCR323) employees who coerce, intimidate, or otherwise prevent subordinates from sharing information at legislative hearings or in response to other legislative inquiries. LAB, FIN RELATING TO LABOR. HB 1561 Establishes labor representation procedures in developments in which (HSCR137) the State or counties have an ongoing proprietary interest. LAB, FIN RELATING TO BOARDS OF WATER SUPPLY. HB 1082 Repeals the provision encouraging experimental modernization HD1 projects by county boards of water supply on July 1, 2008. (HSCR505) LAB, EDB, FIN RELATING TO EMPLOYMENT. HB 1745 Establishes job security requirements upon the sale, merger or other HD2 transfer of a business establishment that employs 100 or more persons. (HSCR688) Establishes penalties paid into the Employment and Training Fund and used for training and employment programs. Enables certain employers that acquire a business to also acquire its predecessor's

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unemployment insurance contribution assessment rate through

December 31, 2007.

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