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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE:

WEDNESDAY, March 28, 2007

TIME:

2:15 P.M.

PLACE:

Conference Room 308

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

<u>A G E N D A # 2</u>

SB 156

SD2, HD1 (HSCR1480) RELATING TO VOTING.

Authorizes permanent absentee voting. Makes appropriations.

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SB 1068

SD1, HD1

(HSCR1453)

RELATING TO CAMPAIGN SPENDING.

Revises various campaign spending reporting deadlines. Amends definitions of "contribution" and "expenditure" for use of internet

services. Increases amount that may be spent per voter for state and county elections and adds prosecuting attorney as an election subject to

spending limitation per voter.

SB 948

SD1, HD1 (HSCR1481) PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO THE HAWAII

CONSTITUTION TO REDUCE THE NUMBER OF NOMINEES

FOR JUDICIAL VACANCIES.

Reduces the number of nominees presented to the governor for various judicial vacancies from four to six nominees to three to five nominees. Requires Judicial Selection Commission to rank nominees. Requires Judicial Selection Commission to present to the chief justice between

three and five nominees for vacancies in the district court.

SB 1113

SD1, HD1 (HSCR1454) RELATING TO MISSING PERSONS.

Improves the capacity of law enforcement agencies to locate and return missing persons by adopting new procedures and by using technology

and databases. Effective date of January 1, 2112.

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SB 1928 SD2, HD2 (HSCR1500)

RELATING TO THE OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR.

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Authorizes the establishment of an investigative unit within the Office of the Auditor to conduct investigations involving alleged or suspected government waste, fraud, abuse, nonfeasance, or malfeasance at the request of the Legislature or upon the Auditor's initiative; expands the powers of the Office of the Auditor; appropriates funds for the investigative unit. Appropriates funds for the development of the Hawaii 2050 Sustainability Plan. Effective date of July 1, 2112.

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

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