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NOTICE OF DECISION MAKING

DATE:

MONDAY, April 2, 2007

TIME:

6:44 P.M.

PLACE:

Conference Room 308

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

<u>A G E N D A #7</u>

RECONSIDERATION OF DECISION ON THE FOLLOWING BILL

HEARD ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 21:

SB 620

RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE

FIN

SD1 (SSCR756)

REVENUE BONDS FOR HAWAII PREPARATORY ACADEMY. Appropriates \$50,000,000 in special purpose revenue bonds to assist

Hawaii Preparatory Academy to finance the construction of its

educational facilities.

DECISION MAKING ONLY ON THE FOLLOWING BILLS PREVIOUSLY HEARD

HEARD ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 21:

SB 1372

RELATING TO MANAGEMENT OF FINANCING AGREEMENTS. FIN

SD1 (SSCR848)

Allows state departments and agencies to enter directly into financing agreements to finance the construction of facilities and the leasing or

purchase of equipment.

HEARD ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 28, AGENDA # 2:

SB 1068

RELATING TO CAMPAIGN SPENDING.

JUD, FIN

SD1, HD1 (HSCR1453) 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 PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO THE HAWAII

JUD, FIN

(HSCR1481)

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

CONSTITUTION TO REDUCE THE NUMBER OF NOMINEES

three and five nominees for vacancies in the district court.

SB 1928 SD2, HD2 (HSCR1500) RELATING TO THE OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR.

LMG, JUD, FIN

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.

HEARD ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 28, AGENDA # 4:

SB 1642

RELATING TO LABOR.

LAB, FIN

SD1 (HSCR1465)

Amending section 89-9(d), Hawaii Revised Statutes, by clarifying that

certain statutory actions shall not be used to invalidate collective bargaining agreements in effect on and after June 30, 2007, and such

actions may be included in collective bargaining agreements.

SB 1499

RELATING TO TAX ADMINISTRATION.

JUD, FIN

SD2, HD1

Conforms Hawaii tax law to federal tax law relating to tax

(HSCR1482)

administration and criminal tax enforcement.

HEARD ON THURSDAY, MARCH 29, AGENDA #1:

SB 1283

RELATING TO THE HAWAII TOBACCO SETTLEMENT

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SD2, HD1 (HSCR1431)

SPECIAL FUND.

Allows University of Hawaii to use its allotment of moneys from the

Hawaii tobacco settlement special fund to pay for operating expenses of the new medical school facility in addition to paying debt service.

HEARD ON THURSDAY, MARCH 29, AGENDA # 2:

SB 603

RELATING TO EDUCATION.

EDN, FIN

HED/HLT, FIN

SD2, HD1 (HSCR1509)

Clarifies the role of BOE in policymaking for charter schools. Expands the duties of the Charter School Review Panel. Changes the

membership of the Panel. Authorizes local school boards to enter into long-term lease agreements. Clarifies how the executive director of the Charter School Administrative Office is appointed and evaluated. Makes CSAO, rather than BOE, responsible for the staff and resources for the Panel. Requires CSAO to include in its annual budget request a per-pupil amount to start-up charter schools for facilities-related costs. Updates the charter school funding mechanism. Appropriates funds to

CSAO for its annual budget requests.

HEARD ON THURSDAY, MARCH 29, AGENDA # 3:

SB 1184 RELATING TO ADULT PROTECTION. HSH, JUD, FIN

SD2, HD2 Expands the adult protective services law by extending protections to (HSCR1455) vulnerable adults. Enables the Department of Human Services to

investigate and the court to have jurisdiction when reason exists to believe that a vulnerable adult has been abused or is threatened with

imminent abuse. Effective July 1, 2112.

SB 1352 RELATING TO HOUSING. HSH, FIN

SD2, HD1 Clarifies certain amendments to the repealed Chapter 201G, Hawaii (HSCR1442) Revised Statutes (HRS), that were intended to relate to the Hawaii

Housing Finance and Development Corporation and the programs it administers, by making those amendments to the new Chapter 201H,

HRS.

SB 1017 RELATING TO HOUSING. HSH, FIN

HD1 Makes technical and housekeeping amendments to ensure that the

(HSCR1292) Hawaii Habitat for Humanity Association's zero-interest revolving loan

can continue to assist low-income families to become homeowners.

HEARD ON THURSDAY, MARCH 29, AGENDA # 4:

SB 952 RELATING TO KAHUKU HOSPITAL. HLT, FIN

SD2 Authorizes the Hawaii health systems corporation to acquire Kahuku (HSCR1285) hospital on negotiated terms. Requires the director of health to assume

a facilitating role during the transition period. Makes an appropriation.

HEARD ON FRIDAY, MARCH 30, AGENDA # 2:

SB 1756 RELATING TO IMPORTANT AGRICULTURAL LANDS. WLH/AGR, FIN

SD1, HD1 Expedites the designation of important agricultural lands by the Land (HSCR1497) Use Commission (LUC) by repealing the existing landowner/farmer process and the county process, and allowing the LUC to initiate the designation process and allowing landowners to petition the LUC for designation. Allows the landowner petition for important agricultural land designation to take effect without the legislative enactment of incentive/protection legislation. Establishes a list of permitted uses for

important agricultural lands. Revises the list of permitted uses for

agricultural lands.

SB 1718 RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE EEP, FIN

HD1 REVENUE BONDS FOR ELECTRICAL GENERATION ON THE

(HSCR1319) ISLAND OF MAUI.

Authorizes special purpose revenue bonds to BlueEarth Maui Biodiesel, LLC, for construction of a biodiesel refinery on Maui.

HEARD ON FRIDAY, MARCH 30, AGENDA # 3:

SB 1612 SD2, HD1 RELATING TO GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS.

EEP, FIN

(HSCR1437)

Requires the Department of Health to adopt reporting and verification of statewide greenhouse gas emissions and to monitor and enforce compliance. Requires adoption of a statewide greenhouse gas emissions limit equivalent to the statewide greenhouse gas emissions levels in 1990 to be achieved by 2020. Requires the adoption of rules to achieve the maximum technologically feasible and cost-effective greenhouse gas emission reductions. Authorizes the adoption of

market-based compliance mechanisms.

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