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AMENDED NOTICE OF HEARING

The start time has been changed to 8:00 A.M. HCR 327 and HCR 335/HR 270 were deleted from the agenda

DATE:

Wednesday, March 28, 2007

TIME:

8:00 AM

PLACE:

Conference Room 329

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

AGENDA

HCR 314 HR 249	APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF STATE-PROVINCE RELATIONS OF FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN THE STATE OF HAWAII OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND THE PROVINCE OF THUA THIEN-HUE OF THE SOCIALIST REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM.	INT, TAC
SCR 38 (SSCR1045)	REQUESTING ENACTMENT OF H.R. 901/S. 4070, "FILIPINO FAMILY REUNIFICATION", OR SIMILAR LEGISLATION THAT GRANTS THE PRIORITY ISSUANCE OF VISAS TO VETERANS' CHILDREN WITH APPROVED IMMIGRATION PETITIONS.	INT, PSM
SCR 39 (SSCR1043)	REQUESTING ENACTMENT OF H.R. 4574/S. 57, "FILIPINO AMERICAN VETERANS EQUITY ACT OF 2007" OR SIMILAR LEGISLATION THAT PROVIDES FEDERAL VETERANS BENEFITS AND SERVICES TO THE WORLD WAR II FILIPINO AMERICAN VETERANS AND THE FILIPINO VETERANS.	INT, PSM
SCR 47 (SSCR1046)	REQUESTING THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES AND THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO SUPPORT S.57 AND H.R.760, ENTITLED THE FILIPINO VETERANS EQUITY ACT OF 2007.	INT, PSM
SCR 41 (SSCR1049)	CONDEMNING THE UNITED STATES CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION SERVICES' FEE INCREASE.	INT, FIN
HCR 191 HR 149	STRONGLY OPPOSING THE FEE INCREASES PROPOSED BY THE UNITED STATES CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION SERVICES.	INT, FIN

HCR 308 HR 247	REQUESTING THAT THE ISSUANCE OF VISAS FOR FAMILY REUNIFICATION OF IMMIGRANT RELATIVES BE EXPEDITED.	INT, HSH
HCR 306 HR 245	REQUESTING A WAIVER OR RELAXATION OF VISA REQUIREMENTS FOR HUMANITARIAN REASONS.	INT, HSH
HCR 307 HR 246	URGING THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT TO EASE RESTRICTIONS ON THE ISSUANCE TEMPORARY VISAS AND EXTEND THE STAY LIMIT TO ALLOW FOREIGN MEDIATORS AND PARTIES IN NEED OF MEDIATION SERVICES TO ENTER THE STATE OF HAWAII FOR THE PURPOSE OF FACILITATING COMMUNICATION AND NEGOTIATION BETWEEN PARTIES TO RESOLVE DISPUTES.	INT, JUD
HCR 315 HR 250	EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION.	INT, HED/EDN
HCR 316 HR 251	URGING THE WESTERN ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES (WASC) TO INCREASE HAWAII'S MEMBERSHIP AND VOTES ON WASC TO STRENGTHEN THE STATE'S INPUT ON THE ACCREDITATION AND APPROVAL OF SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES IN THE REGION.	INT, HED/EDN
HCR 215 HR 173	REQUESTING THE SPARK M. MATSUNAGA INSTITUTE FOR PEACE, LOCATED WITHIN THE CENTER FOR POLICY STUDIES AT THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII AT MANOA, TO CONVENE A WORKING GROUP TO EXPLORE THE POSSIBILITY OF DESIGNATING HAWAII AS THE "GENEVA OF THE PACIFIC".	INT, HED
HCR 131 HR 105	REQUESTING THE GOVERNOR TO SUPPORT THE ETHICAL RECRUITMENT OF NURSES.	INT, HLT
HCR 288 HR 229	REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND TOURISM, THE HAWAII TOURISM AUTHORITY, AND THE HAWAII VISITORS AND CONVENTION BUREAU TO CONDUCT ACTIVITIES TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF VISITORS FROM TAIWAN.	INT, TAC
HCR 290 HR 231	URGING THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES TO ENTER INTO A FREE TRADE AGREEMENT WITH TAIWAN.	INT, EDB
HCR 291 HR 232	REQUESTING THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION TO CONFER "OBSERVER STATUS" UPON TAIWAN IN ORDER TO PERMIT TAIWAN'S PARTICIPATION IN THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION'S PROGRAMS AND ACTIVITIES.	INT, HLT
HCR 334	REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND TOURISM TO DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT A TRADE FAIR CERTIFICATION PROGRAM FOR HAWAII BUSINESSES WISHING TO PARTICIPATE IN A TRADE FAIR OR MISSION TO OBTAIN CERTIFICATION PRIOR TO EMBARKING ON FOREIGN TRADE FAIRS OR MISSIONS REPRESENTING THE STATE OF HAWAII.	INT, EDB

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

PERSONS WISHING TO TESTIFY ARE REQUESTED TO SUBMIT 35 COPIES OF THEIR TESTIMONY AT LEAST 24 HOURS PRIOR TO THE HEARING TO: (1) THE COMMITTEE'S VICE CHAIR IN ROOM 322, STATE CAPITOL, OR (2) THE HOUSE SGT.-AT-ARMS TESTIMONY DROP OFF BOX IN THE TURNAROUND AREA OF THE CAPITOL BASEMENT PARKING LOT. TESTIMONY MAY ALSO BE FAXED IF LESS THAN 5 PAGES IN LENGTH TO THE HOUSE SGT.-AT-ARMS OFFICE AT: 586-6501 (OAHU) OR 1-800-535-3859 (NEIGHBOR ISLANDS). WHEN FAXING, PLEASE INDICATE TO WHOM THE TESTIMONY IS BEING SUBMITTED, THE DATE AND TIME OF THE HEARING, AND THE REQUIRED NO. OF COPIES THAT IS NEEDED FOR SUBMITTAL. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL THE COMMITTEE CLERK AT 586-6550.

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