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## JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ON FAMILY CAREGINATO P3:44

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## **NOTICE OF MEETING**

DATE: Thursday, August 16, 2007

TIME: 1:00 p.m.

PLACE: Conference Room 229

State Capitol,

415 South Beretania Street

## AGENDA

The Joint Legislative Committee on Family Caregiving will meet to address various issues related to grand-parents raising grandchildren. Act 204 (S.B. 1916) recently expanded the definition of "family caregiver" to include "a grandparent who is a caregiver for a grandchild age eighteen or younger, or who is nineteen years of age or older with physical or cognitive limitations."

The government departments and agencies listed below have been invited to submit testimony on how they address issues facing grandparents raising grandchildren and, depending on the agency, specific issues such as: applicable definitions, education and training, educational consent law, available services, consent for health care, and special needs.

1. Executive Office on Aging 7. University of Hawaii

2. Department of Education 8. City & County of Honolulu Elderly Affairs Division

3. Department of Health 9. Maui County Office on Aging

4. Department of Human Services 10. Kauai Agency on Elderly Affairs

5. Department of Hawaiian Home Lands 11. Hawaii County Office on Aging

6. Office of Hawaiian Affairs

The purpose of the Joint Legislative Committee on Family Caregiving, as stated in Act 285 (2006), is to develop a comprehensive public policy program to support family caregivers who provide unpaid, informal assistance to persons sixty and older with physical or cognitive disabilities. The Committee will consider providing support in categories including but not limited to: coordinated services and policies, training and education, respite services, financial incentives, and balancing work and caregiving.

Persons who wish to submit testimony are asked to contact the committee clerk at 586-6250. All testifiers are requested to submit 45 copies of their testimony at least 24 hours before the briefing in room 220 at the State Capitol, or by fax to 586-6251. If you require special assistance or auxiliary aids or services to participate in the meeting (i.e., sign language interpreter, wheelchair accessibility, or parking designated for the disabled) please contact the committee clerk 24 hours prior to the hearing so arrangements can be made.

Senator Les Ihara, Jr.

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