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COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES AND PUBLIC HOUSING

Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair Senator Les Ihara, Jr., Vice Chair

NOTICE OF JOINT HEARING

DATE:

Wednesday, February 14, 2007

TIME:

1:15 p.m.

PLACE:

Conference Room 225

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

AGENDA

SB 606

RELATING TO THE BLIND PERSONS' AND LITERACY RIGHTS EDU/HSP, WAM AND EDUCATION ACT.

Assures individualized education programs for blind or visually impaired children including provisions for instruction in braille. Establishes standards of proficiency and instruction. Provides materials in a computer-accessible format capable of braille reproduction. Requires certification and re-certification of teachers in accordance with braille literacy standards.

Decision Making to follow, if time permits.

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