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COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES AND PUBLIC HOUSING

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

AMENDED NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE:

Thursday, February 15, 2007

TIME:

1:15 p.m.

PLACE:

Conference Room 016

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

AMENDED AGENDA

The following measures have been ADDED to the agenda:

SB 1400

RELATING TO FINANCIAL ABUSE.

HSP, CPH/JDL

Requires financial institutions and licensed escrow depositories to report suspected instances of financial abuse directed towards, targeting, or committed against an elder or a dependent adult to a local

law enforcement agency.

SB 1442

RELATING TO HIGHER EDUCATION BOARD ALLOWANCE

HSP, WAM

FOR FORMER FOSTER YOUTH.

Increases the time limit for application for a higher education board allowance form 1 year following high school graduation through the age of 21 years old, to provide former foster youth who are between the ages of 22 and 26 years on July 1, 2007 and already attending an institution of higher education the opportunity to apply for a higher education board allowance within a year. Increases the maximum age for the benefit from 21 years to 26 years with a maximum benefit

length of 60 months.

SB 1443

RELATING TO CHILD WELFARE SERVICES.

HSP, JDL

Specifies that when the Family Court determines by clear and convincing evidence that the child's parents cannot now or in the reasonable foreseeable future provide the child with a safe family home, the department may submit a permanent plan with a goal of guardianship and the Court may award guardianship to an appropriate

entity without termination of parental rights.

SB 1448

RELATING TO THE HAWAII PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY.

HSP, WAM

HSP, JDL

Authorizes the Hawaii Public Housing Authority's Board to set the salaries of the Executive Director and the Executive Assistant, subject

to the approval of the Governor.

SB 1449

RELATING TO CRIMINAL TRESPASS IN THE SECOND

Makes criminal trespass in the second degree applicable to public housing projects administered by the Hawaii Public Housing

Authority.



RELATING TO THE STATE RENT SUPPLEMENT PROGRAM. SB 1450 HSP, WAM Broadens participation in the State Rent Supplement Program by removing the statutory limitation on the subsidy amount (currently \$160 per month) and increasing the income limits for participation from 50% of area median income to 95% of area median income. MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR HOMELESS SHELTER SB 1583 HSP, WAM PROGRAMS. Appropriates funds for homeless shelter programs on the island of Hawaii. MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR A WEST HAWAII SB 1586 HSP, WAM PERMANENT HOUSING PROGRAM. Appropriates funds to establish a program to provide rental housing for the homeless in transition.

Decision Making to follow, if time permits.

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