THE SENATE THE TWENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE **REGULAR SESSION OF 2007**

'S OFFICE STATE OF HAWAIL

COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY AND LABOR

Senator Clayton Hee, Chair Senator Russell S. Kokubun, Vice Chair '07 FEB 14 P5 54

MEASURES DEFERRED TO THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 2007

DATE:

Thursday, February 15, 2007

TIME:

9:00 a.m.

PLACE:

Conference Room 229

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

DECISION MAKING ON THE FOLLOWING MEASURE(S):

(Deferred from Monday, February 12, 2007)

SB 1928

RELATING TO THE OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR.

JDL, WAM

Authorizes the establishment of an investigative unit within the office of the auditor to conduct investigations involving alleged or suspected government waste, fraud, abuse, 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.

DECISION MAKING ON THE FOLLOWING MEASURE(S):

(Deferred from Tuesday, February 13, 2007)

SB 1284

RELATING TO THE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM.

JDL, WAM

Authorizes the board of trustees of the employees' retirement system to set the salary scale assumptions based on recommendations from the actuary. Increase the employers' contributions to the employees' retirement system; bans benefit enhancements until the employees' retirement system becomes fully funded; and repeals the provision that allows the employer contribution rate to be reduced if the period required to amortize the unfunded actuarial liability falls below twenty-five years.

SB 963

RELATING TO EMPLOYMENT SECURITY.

JDL, WAM

Provides temporary tax relief to employers by lowering the maximum taxable wage base for calendar years 2008 and 2009. Increases unemployment benefits for eligible individuals. Excludes the payment of benefits to individuals terminated from employment for wilful or wanton misconduct.

SB 1950

RELATING TO THE RE-EMPLOYMENT OF RETIREES.

JDL, WAM

Authorizes the rehiring of retired state or county employees in criticalto-fill or labor shortage positions without affecting the receipt of retirement benefits and without accruing additional credit or benefits.

No testimony will be accepted.

