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COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY AND LABOR

Senator Clayton Hee, Chair Senator Russell S. Kokubun, Vice Chair

NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE:

Monday, February 26, 2007

TIME:

9:00 a.m.

PLACE:

Conference Room 229

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

AGENDA

SB 1961	RELATING TO BAIL. Creates a licensing requirement for bail bonding agents. Requires the director of commerce and consumer affairs to adopt rules for the process and procedure of obtaining a bail bonding agent license. Prohibits certain acts by bail bonding agents. Provides for civil and criminal penalties for violations by bail bonding agents. Creates registration requirements with the attorney general for bail fugitive recovery persons. Requires the director of commerce and consumer affairs to adopt rules regulating compensated sureties.	JDL
SB 1607	RELATING TO CRIMINAL TRESPASS. Repeals the offense of criminal trespass in the second degree that prohibits persons from entering or remaining unlawfully on public property for a specified time period.	JDL
SB 1642	RELATING TO LABOR. Amending Sections 89-9(d) by clarifying that certain statutory actions shall not be used to invalidate collective bargaining agreements in effect on and after June 30, 2007 and such actions may be included in collective bargaining agreements.	JDL
SB 1662	RELATING TO EMPLOYMENT. Amends definitions of "closing", "covered establishment", and "employer". Requires employer to notify employees of divestiture. Imposes penalties for failure to notify employees of business closing.	JDL
SB 702	RELATING TO FIREARMS. Permits owner of a pistol to use any ammunition magazine authorized for use with the pistol by the manufacturer of the pistol. Repeals the prohibition on magazines with a capacity in excess of ten rounds.	JDL

SB 1725	RELATING TO OFFENSES AGAINST THE PERSON. Adds violence against emergency medical services personnel to the offenses of assault in the second degree and terroristic threatening in the first degree.	JDL
SB 1520	RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE. Eliminates requirement that arrest citations contain an offender's full social security number. Authorizes verification of arrest citation and traffic crime complaint by declaration in accordance with rules of court.	JDL
SB 1334	RELATING TO NAME CHANGES. Prohibits covered offenders subject to registration requirements from petitioning for name changes.	JDL
SB 1571	RELATING TO THEFT. Adds property theft of over \$100,000 as a reason to deny probation.	JDL
SB 1573	RELATING TO ARSON. Adds recklessness to the state of mind requirement for arson in the fourth degree. Clarifies that 10,000 square feet is only the minimum amount of property damage that is required to trigger special sentencing for arson.	JDL
SB 1617	RELATING TO LIMITING CIVIL LIABILITY. Limits the civil liability of property owners to persons injured or killed on premises while committing a class A or B felony or certain violent crimes.	JDL
SB 1527	RELATING TO JURORS AND PROSPECTIVE JURORS. Updates and clarifies definitions. Streamlines and affords greater flexibility to the courts to determine the most efficient and effective procedures for selecting, qualifying, summoning, managing, and compensating prospective jurors and jurors. Repeals obsolete provisions.	JDL
SB 1635	RELATING TO GRAND JURIES. Shortens the period grand juries and grand jury counsel must serve from 1 year to 6 months. Requires grand jury counsel to be present at grand jury proceedings. Requires grand jury counsel to advise the grand jury whenever the counsel determines it to be appropriate.	JDL
SB 1339	RELATING TO THE HAWAII RULES OF EVIDENCE. Allows individuals, corporations, and government entities to offer apologies or other expressions of sympathy without fear of such gestures being used against them to establish civil liability.	JDL

Decision Making to follow, if time permits.

Persons wishing to testify should submit testimony in one of the following ways at least 24 hours prior to the hearing:

- In person: 30 copies of their testimony to the committee clerk, Room 227, State Capitol.
- By fax: Testimony may be faxed if less than 5 pages in length, to the Senate Sergeant-At-Arms Office at 586-6659 or 1-800-586-6659 (toll free for neighbor islands), at least 24 hours prior to the hearing. When faxing, please indicate to which committee the testimony is being submitted, the date and time of the hearing, and the number of copies needed for submittal.
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- of the hearing, and the number of copies needed for submittal. In addition, please provide the testifier's name and mailing address in the email.

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Senator Clayton Hee

Chair