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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE:

Wednesday, January 30, 2008

TIME:

2:00 pm

PLACE:

Conference Room 325

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

AGENDA

HB 3046

RELATING TO THE PROTECTION OF CHARITABLE GIVING.

CPC, JUD, FIN

Requires registration with the Attorney General of most charitable organizations before they can solicit funds; adds other requirements for

charitable organizations and related matters.

HB 3054

RELATING TO CHAPTER 480, HAWAII REVISED STATUTES.

CPC, JUD, FIN

Clarifies antitrust and unfair competition law with regard to who can sue in certain instances, including when having made indirect

purchases.

HB 656

RELATING TO PLANNED COMMUNITY ASSOCIATIONS.

CPC, JUD

Holds grantee of a unit jointly and severally liable with the grantor for

delinquent assessments against the grantor.

HB 1710

RELATING TO CONDOMINIUMS.

CPC, JUD

Amends section 35 of Act 164 SLH 2004 to remove sunset and reenactment of section 514B-146, HRS, relating to assessments and

liens with respect condominiums.

HB 3331

RELATING TO CONDOMINIUMS.

CPC, JUD

Specifies matters that are subject to mediation. Permits unsatisfied

parties to mediation to pursue arbitration after 30 days.

HB 1845

RELATING TO ATTORNEYS' FEES.

CPC, JUD

Establishes a graduated schedule of reasonable attorneys' fees for cases pertaining to an association's collection of delinquent assessments, foreclosure of liens, and enforcement of the Condominium Property

Act and related rules and regulations.

CPC, JUD RELATING TO ATTORNEY'S FEES. HB 3298 Limits the recovery of attorney's fees in matters relating to condominium delinquent assessments, foreclosure of liens, or enforcement of any provision in the association's governing documents, to no more than twenty-five percent of the principal amount due. CPC, JUD RELATING TO MORTGAGE BROKERS. HB 2408 Revises the law regulating mortgage brokers. CPC, JUD RELATING TO FRAUD PREVENTION. HB 2920 Requires notary public to place seal over a succinct phrase describing document being notarized and to separately record a description of the document. Authorizes attorney general to adopt rules to prevent fraudulent use of notarized documents. RELATING TO TORTS. CPC, JUD HB 2997 Abolishes joint and several liability for design professionals except when design professional's degree of negligence is twenty-five per cent or more. RELATING TO PROPERTY OF PUBLIC UTILITIES. CPC, FIN HB 3080 Grants public utilities the authority to transfer, assign, or otherwise dispose of property, without prior approval from the Public Utilities Commission, under circumstances calling for timely, decisive action in order to aid a customer whose operations have been disrupted due to unforeseeable events. CPC, JUD RELATING TO SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER. HB 3170 Stipulates that only the last four digits of an individual's social security number shall be listed on judgments, orders, or decrees endorsed and recorded in the Bureau of Conveyances or Land Court.

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

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