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#### **NOTICE OF HEARING**

DATE:

Monday, February 4, 2008

TIME:

2:00 pm

PLACE:

Conference Room 325

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

#### AGENDA

HB 96, HD1 (HSCR25-08)

RELATING TO GOVERNMENT.

CPC, TRN, JUD

Requires county examiners or inspection stations to conduct random

drug and alcohol tests of commercial driver's licensees. Bars licensees

who fail the test. (HB96 HD1)

HB 2257

RELATING TO PUBLIC ACCOUNTANCY.

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Requires peer review as a condition for the renewal of a permit to practice public accountancy. Applies to both persons and firms.

Exempts certain firms from the requirements.

HB 2258

RELATING TO PUBLIC ACCOUNTANCY.

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Authorizes out-of-state certified public accountants to practice

temporarily in the State without a license.

HB 94, HD1

RELATING TO INSURANCE.

CPC, FIN

(HSCR24-08) Enacts the Life Settlements Model Act, which establishes consumer

protections in life settlement transactions where the owner of a life insurance policy transfers the death benefit for compensation that is less than the expected death benefit, but more than the surrender value

of the policy. (HB94 HD1)

HB 3089

RELATING TO INSURANCE.

CPC, FIN

Allows the Insurance Division to include a 3-month reserve in the calculation of Compliance Resolution Fund (CRF) assessments in order to ensure continued operations of the Division at the end of the

fiscal year.

HB 2016, HD1 (HSCR4-08)

RELATING TO HEALTH INSURANCE.

Requires health insurance plans to include methods of oral

chemotherapy treatment as a medical benefit and not as a drug benefit.

HB 1969, HD1 (HSCR23-08)

RELATING TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION.

Excludes services for a limited liability company (LLC) or limited

liability partnership (LLP)from the definition of "employment" in the workers' compensation law if the person performing services has a 50 percent or higher transferable interest in the LLC or LLP. Effective

07/01/2059. (HB1969 HD1)

<u>HB 3091</u> RELATING TO LOSS MITIGATION.

Repeals and replaces the loss mitigation grant program with a wind

resistive devices tax credit.

HB 2699 RELATING TO THE UNIFORM PROBATE CODE.

Clarifies applicability of probate laws to payable-on-death accounts and requirements for providing copies and notice of supplementary inventory or appraisement. Allows courts to modify kokua kanawai duties and service requirements for orders appointing a guardian or conservator. Authorizes disclosure of kokua kanawai reports and

professional evaluations to certain parties.

HB 3382 RELATING TO BANKRUPTCY.

Provides procedures to allow assignments for the benefit of creditors in

bankruptcy proceedings.

HB 3275 RELATING TO OWNER-BUILDER PERMITS.

Increases period prohibiting sale or lease by owner-builder from 1 to 2 years, and requires that an exemption from licensing requirements is

given no more than once in 3 years.

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

DECISION MAKING ONLY ON THE FOLLOWING BILLS:

(No public testimony will be accepted.)

HB 1970

RELATING TO PREPAID CALLING CARDS.

Requires companies selling prepaid calling cards to disclose the terms

and services of the cards. Makes a violation of disclosure requirement an unfair or deceptive act or practice.

(Deferred from Thursday 01-24-08 hearing.)

HB 2256 RELATING TO INSURANCE.

RELATING TO INSURANCE. CPC, JUD, FIN

Clarifies that it is not an unfair method of competition or an unfair or deceptive act or practice for an insurer with a less than 10% market share to refuse to issue or renew a policy with a prospective insured unless the prospective insured contracts for another class or an additional policy of the same class of insurance with the same insurer.

(Deferred from Monday 01-28-08 hearing.)

HB 2553 RELATING TO PAWNBROKERS AND SECONDHAND

DEALERS.

Changes the method used to record the daily transactions of pawnbrokers and secondhand dealers, from a manual system to an

electronic system.

(Deferred from 01-28-08 hearing.)

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