THE SENATE THE TWENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE **REGULAR SESSION OF 2008**

COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TAXATION

Senator Carol Fukunaga, Chair Senator Will Espero, Vice Chair

AMENDED NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Tuesday, March 18, 2008

TIME: 1:15 p.m.

PLACE: Conference Room 224

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

AMENDED AGENDA

The following measure(s) have been **ADDED** to the agenda:

RELATING TO HEALTH. HTH, EDT, WAM HB 2137, HD2, SD1

Provides a tax credit for expenses related to an organ donation. (SD1) (SSCR2928)

Testimony

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HB 2306, HD2, SD1 RELATING TO GENERAL EXCISE TAXATION. HTH, EDT, WAM

Exempts from the general excise tax amounts received by managed care (SSCR2942) support contractors as reimbursements of costs or advances made pursuant to a contract for the administration of the federal TRICARE program. **Testimony**

Effective upon approval, retroactive to January 1, 2005. (SD1) Status

HB 584, HD2, SD1 RELATING TO TAXATION. HSP, EDT, WAM

Provides a long-term care tax credit. (SD1) (SSCR2950)

Testimony

Status

HB 2778, HD2, SD1 RELATING TO TAX CREDITS. HSP, EDT, WAM

Grants tax credit to small businesses at the lesser of fifty per cent of (SSCR2951) premiums or \$500 per employee for purchase of long-term care insurance

for its employees. Defines small business as businesses employing less **Testimony**

than 100 full-time or part-time workers. (SD1) **Status**

HB 3059, HD1, SD1 RELATING TO LOW-INCOME HOUSING TAX CREDITS. HSP, EDT, WAM

Reduces the period over which state low-income housing tax credits are (SSCR2932)

taken from ten years to five years. (SD1)

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RELATING TO THE CONVEYANCE TAX. HB 2514, HD1

Extends the sunset date for the allocation of 50% of the conveyance tax to (SSCR2955) the rental housing trust fund from 6/30/08 to 6/30 of an unspecified year.

(HB2514 HD1) **Testimony**

Status

HB 3196, HD1, SD1 RELATING TO RENTAL MOTOR VEHICLE SURCHARGE TAX.

Repeals the \$2 a day rate of the rental motor vehicle surcharge tax, in (SSCR2943) effect from September 1, 1999, to August 31, 2008; changes the \$3 a day

rate to an unspecified amount. (SD1) **Testimony**

Status

HB 2456, HD2 RELATING TO TAXATION.

Excludes from gross income, adjusted gross income, and taxable income (SSCR2933) the value of health insurance and other direct or indirect benefits provided by an employer to an employee in excess of what the employer provides **Testimony**

or would provide to single employees when such benefits are provided to Status the employee due to the employee's status as a reciprocal beneficiary or a

domestic partner. (HB2456 HD2)

RELATING TO LAND CONSERVATION. HB 2518, HD1, SD1

Provides a tax credit to encourage the preservation and protection of (SSCR2935)

conservation land in the State. (SD1)

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HB 2739, HD1, SD1 RELATING TO STATE ENTERPRISE ZONES.

Allows agricultural businesses to continue to qualify for zone benefits in (SSCR2937) case of force majeure events; includes leased and jointly employed

workers in hiring formulas; changes schedule of hiring increases; counts value-added agricultural product retail sales towards qualification for tax credits; disallows general excise tax exemption for agricultural product

retail sales. (SD1)

HB 2860, HD2, SD1 RELATING TO TAXATION.

Exempts common carriers from the general excise and use taxes for fuel (SSCR2931) sold from a foreign-trade zone to common carriers for use in interisland

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HB 2985, HD1 RELATING TO TAXATION.

Provides a tax credit equal to 15% of the costs of hotel renovations. (SSCR2934)

(HB2985 HD1)

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RELATING TO REFUNDABLE RENEWABLE ENERGY TAX HB 3064, HD2, SD1

CREDIT. (SSCR2948)

Allows a taxpayer whose sole source of income is derived from pension benefits or with an adjusted gross income of \$ or less to qualify for **Testimony**

a refundable tax credit for the purchase and installation of a renewable **Status** energy technology, which includes solar water heating, photovoltaic, and

wind systems. (SD1)

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HB 3444, HD2, SD1

RELATING TO ENERGY.

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(SSCR2947)
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Establishes the Energy Security Special Fund. Renames the Environmental Response Tax the "Environmental Response and Energy Security Tax" and increases the tax. Amends the uses of tax revenue to include deposits to the Energy Security Special Fund and the Energy Systems Development Special Fund. Amends uses of the Environmental Response Revolving Fund by deleting energy conservation and alternative energy development uses. Appropriates moneys to the Energy Security Special Fund. (SD1)

Decision Making to follow, if time permits.

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