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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: TUESDAY, February 26, 2008 4:30 P.M. TIME:

Conference Room 308 PLACE:

> State Capitol 415 South Beretania Street

> > <u>AGENDA#7</u>

LAB, CPC, FIN RELATING TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION. HB 1969, HD1

Excludes services for a limited liability company (LLC) or limited (HSCR244-08) liability partnership (LLP)from the definition of "employment" in the Status

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.

RELATING TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION. HB 2441

Provides for workers' compensation coverage for students participating (HSCR291-08)

in school-approved work-based learning programs sponsored by the

department of education or the University of Hawaii.

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LAB, FIN RELATING TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION. HB 2387, HD1

Authorizes payment of the examinations from the special (HSCR523-08)

compensation fund. Appropriates funds. Effective 07/01/2059. Status

(Email Testimony) LAB, FIN

RELATING TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION. HB 2386 Requires an employer to pay temporary total disability benefits (HSCR524-08)

regardless of whether the employer controverts the right to benefits. Specifies that the employee's ability to return to work is to be decided

by the employee's treating physician. (Email Testimony)

LAB, FIN RELATING TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION. HB 2388

Requires the employer to continue medical services to an injured (HSCR525-08)

employee despite disputes over whether treatment should be continued, **Status**

until the director of labor and industrial relations decides whether

treatment should be continued. (Email Testimony)

HB 2017 (HSCR605-08) Status (Email Testimony) RELATING TO VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION.

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Amends workers' compensation law to require that, as part of the process for returning an injured worker to suitable gainful

employment, a vocational rehabilitation provider examine the feasibility of modified or other work at the employee's same employer.

HB 2479, HD1

RELATING TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION.

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(HSCR522-08) Status

Expands eligibility for vocational rehabilitation to workers who are deemed unable to return to their regular jobs and are not offered work at the pre-injury earnings level.

(Email Testimony)

HB 3166, HD1 (HSCR514-08) Status RELATING TO THE LABOR AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS

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HSCR514-08) APPEALS BOARD.

Authorizes the Labor and Industrial Relations Appeals Board (Board) to employ a hearings officer, as well as to allow that hearings officer to hold a hearing, in order for the Board to expedite hearings on certain

(Email Testimony) hold a hearing, in order for the Board to expedite hearin workers' compensation matters. Effective 07/01/2059.

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

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