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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE:

Friday, January 25, 2008

TIME:

9:35 a.m.

PLACE:

Conference Room 329

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

AGENDA

HB 1992

RELATING TO MEDICAL LIABILITY.

HLT, CPC, JUD

Limits noneconomic damages that may be recovered in medical tort actions. Limits the amount of attorney's fees that may be collected in connection with a medical tort action. Amends the definition of

"health care provider" and "medical tort".

HB 1995

RELATING TO TORTS.

HLT, CPC, JUD

Limits noneconomic damages in medical tort actions to \$500,000.

HB 2071

RELATING TO INSURANCE.

HLT, CPC, FIN

Establishes the Hawaii medical malpractice insurance relief fund to offer policies of medical malpractice insurance to physicians in the State. Repeals Hawaii medical malpractice underwriting plan (chapter 435C, HRS). Appropriates funds to the medical malpractice insurance

reserve trust fund.

HB 2151

RELATING TO CAPTIVE INSURANCE.

HLT, CPC/JUD,

Forms a captive insurance company to provide medical malpractice

insurance to self-employed medical doctors.

HB 2161

RELATING TO MEDICAL MALPRACTICE INSURANCE.

HLT, CPC/JUD,

Establishes a medical malpractice mutual insurance company modeled

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upon the employers' mutual insurance company.

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

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