THE SENATE THE TWENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE REGULAR SESSION OF 2008

COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY AND LABOR

Senator Brian T. Taniguchi, Chair Senator Clayton Hee, Vice Chair

MEASURES DEFERRED TO TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2008

DATE: Tuesday, February 26, 2008

TIME: 10:00 a.m.

PLACE: Conference Room 016

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

DECISION MAKING ON THE FOLLOWING MEASURE(S):

(Deferred from Monday, February 25, 2008)

SB 2730, SD1

Testimony

RELATING TO CHILD PROTECTION.

HSP, JDL

Establishes a grandparent, or other appropriate relative, preference for out-of-home placement of children needing child protective services.

(SD1)

SB 2955, SD1 Testimony

RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL INSPECTIONS.

AHW, JDL

Grants the Department of Agriculture authority to require advance written notification of arrival of articles transported to the State or from one island within the State to another as freight, air freight, baggage, or otherwise, for the purpose of debarkation. Broadens the range of articles subject to advance notification and possible inspection to include nonagricultural articles capable of harboring pests. Corrects an error that occurred in Act 64, SLH 2005, regarding import of restricted articles so as to be consistent with other parts of the statute. (SD1)

SB 2212 Testimony

RELATING TO CRIME.

JDL

Enables prosecution of human trafficking under Hawaii law by creating new offense of sexual exploitation of a minor, amending existing kidnapping, extortion, and prostitution offenses, and including sexual exploitation of a minor in definition of racketeering. Eliminates distinction between minors under 18 and minors under 16 for purposes of promoting prostitution. Makes victims of sexual exploitation of a minor and promoting prostitution in the first degree eligible for crime victim compensation.

No testimony will be accepted.

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