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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE:

Thursday, January 31, 2008

TIME:

8:30 a.m.

PLACE:

Conference Room 309

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

AGENDA

HB 1062

RELATING TO TUITION ASSISTANCE

PSM, HED, FIN

Broadens the scope of the law that provides tuition assistance

to Hawaii national guard members attending the University of Hawaii and appropriates funds for that purpose.

PSM, HED, FIN

RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII. Grants resident status to veterans for tuition purposes at the

University of Hawaii system.

HB 741

HB 2588

RELATING TO SUBPOENAS.

PSM, JUD, FIN

Entitles a police officer to overtime compensation when the officer testifies or is compelled to be available as a state witness under a subpoena when off-duty. Requires the State to reimburse the counties

for 50% of overtime compensation paid.

HB 2212

RELATING TO FIREWORKS

PSM, JUD

Prohibits a county from enacting any ordinances or adopting any rules regulating Fireworks or articles pyrotechnic that are less restrictive than the regulations established by state law.

HB 2376

RELATING TO THE STATE FIRE COUNCIL.

PSM, FIN

Requires the State Fire Council to develop a statewide brushfire mitigation plan and appropriates funds.

HB 2464

RELATING TO FIRE PROTECTION.

PSM, WLH, FIN

Requires a forestry and wildlife manager to declare hazardous fire areas during fire danger periods and impose restrictions on the use of certain land that the department of land and natural resources has direct fire responsibility. Establishes a task force to develop a statewide hazardous fire area program.

НВ 2465	RELATING TO THE STATE FIRE CODE Makes state fire code, and any updates adopted as rules by the state fire council, immediately effective upon transmission by the state fire council to the county councils without the need for counties to enact ordinances.	PSM, JUD
HB 2466 Proposed HD1 (Copies available in Rm. 313)	RELATING TO WILDFIRE MANAGEMENT Allows counties to enact ordinance granting county's Fire Chief the authority to declare a fireworks prohibited zone for a designated period of time. (HD1)	PSM, JUD
НВ 2467	RELATING TO FIRE PROTECTION. Amends the state fire code to include road and sign standards, minimum private water supply reserves, fuel breaks, and green belts to improve fire protection.	PSM, WLH
НВ 2485	RELATING TO FIRES. Establishes the firewise Hawaii program in the department of land and natural resources to address the growing fire danger in wildland-urban interface areas. Creates the firewise Hawaii special fund. Makes an appropriation.	PSM, WLH, FIN
HB 2463	RELATING TO DISASTER RELIEF. Authorizes the director of disaster relief to utilize inmate labor to assist with disaster relief efforts. Establishes the inmate disaster relief labor program within the department of public safety.	PSM, FIN
НВ 2007	RELATING TO CORRECTIONS. Requires the auditor to conduct a financial and management audit of each commissary located in a Hawaii correctional facility, as well as commissaries located at out-of-state contracted correctional facilities where Hawaii inmates are confined.	PSM, LMG, FIN
НВ 2147	RELATING TO PAROLE. Establishes an earned-time program that provides incentives for inmate rehabilitation by allowing inmates to become eligible for parole when they make consistent progress in completing programs while incarcerated. Appropriates funds.	PSM, JUD, FIN
HB 3186	RELATING TO PRISON LITIGATION. Requires inmates to pay for the civil lawsuit they file in State court and requires inmates who have three lawsuits deemed "frivolous" to pay the filing fees prior to filing another lawsuit.	PSM, JUD, FIN
НВ 2148	RELATING TO THE AUDITOR. Requires the auditor to conduct performance audits of private prisons on the mainland that house Hawaii prisoners. Makes appropriation.	PSM, LMG, FIN
HB 2608	RELATING TO PRISONS Creates separate forensic treatment facilities within all community correctional centers. Ends practice of housing mentally ill prisoners in solitary confinement and with general prison population.	PSM, HLT, FIN
НВ 2609	RELATING TO CONSERVATION Establishes an inmate conservation corps program within the Department of Land and Natural Resources. Authorizes the Department to enter into agreements with other state or federal Agencies to implement the program. Appropriates funds.	PSM, WLH, FIN

HB 2024

RELATING TO CRIMINAL PROCEDURE.

PSM, JUD, FIN

Requires electronic monitoring of probationers and parolees

convicted of offenses related to criminal street gangs.

HB 2824

RELATING TO SENTENCING

PSM, JUD, FIN

Authorizes the court to sentence certain persons convicted of sexual assault in the first degree to wear a global positioning system transmitter for up to 10 years after the person's release

from prison.

HB 2968

RELATING TO PRETRIAL RELEASE

PSM, JUD, FIN

Allows court to order that defendants on pretrial release be subject to electronic and monitoring at the defendant's

own expense.

HB 3367

RELATING TO WIRELESS ENHANCED 911

PSM, CPC/JUD, FIN

Suspends \$0.66 per month surcharge on wireless telephone accounts for deployment of system to locate wireless 911 callers. Requires wireless enhanced 911 board to present a 2-year plan to the 2009 legislature including expenditures for fiscal years 2010 and 2011, the level of surcharge necessary to support those expenditures, and return of surcharge funds in excess of those

needed for fiscal years 2010 and 2011.

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

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