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#### COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES AND PUBLIC HOUSING

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## **NOTICE OF HEARING**

DATE:

Monday, January 28, 2008

TIME:

1:15 pm

PLACE:

Conference Room 225

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

## AGENDA

EDU/HSP SB 2005 Testimony	RELATING TO EDUCATION FOR FOSTER CHILDREN. Establishes rules for school placement and transportation for foster children.	EDU/HSP, WAM
SB 2043 Testimony	RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII CENTER ON AGING EDUCATION AND RESEARCH.  Appropriates funds to the University of Hawaii center on aging research and education faculty positions and program expenses.	HSP/EDU, WAM
SB 2079 Testimony	RELATING TO LIBRARIES.  Makes appropriation for the Hawaii state library for the blind and physically handicapped.	HSP/EDU, WAM
SB 2241 Testimony	RELATING TO SCHOOL-AGE CHILDREN. Appropriates funds to non-school hour programs for youth enrolled in school.	HSP/EDU, WAM
SB 2242 Testimony	RELATING TO NON-SCHOOL-HOUR PROGRAMS. Establishes a task force on non-school-hour programs to review and improve the State's current non-school-hour activities programs. Appropriates funds for non-school-hour activities and for a program coordinator.	HSP/EDU, WAM
SB 2162 Testimony	RELATING TO THE AFTER-SCHOOL PLUS PROGRAM REVOLVING FUND.  Requires funds deposited into the after-school plus program revolving fund to include only funds collected as fees or charges for participation in the program and interest earned on the revolving fund deposits.  Clarifies that the after-school plus program funds shall be used to	EDU/HSP, WAM



support the program.

RELATING TO EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION. EDU/HSP, WAM SB 2466

Requires the department of education to increase opportunities for **Testimony** 

special needs preschoolers to interact with their non-disabled peers.

Appropriates funds.

RELATING TO EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION. SB 2661 EDU/HSP, WAM

Requires the department of education to plan, design, and implement a Testimony

pre-kindergarten academy for four-year-old children and an educational resource program for parents of newborn children.

Appropriates funds.

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RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE EDU, WAM SB 2035

REVENUE BONDS FOR MAUI PREPARATORY ACADEMY. Testimony Authorizes the issuance of special purpose revenue bonds for Maui

Preparatory Academy.

SB 2364 RELATING TO ISLAND PACIFIC ACADEMY. EDU, WAM

Authorizes the issuance of special purpose revenue bonds up to **Testimony** 

\$30,000,000 for planning and construction of educational facilities by

Island Pacific Academy.

SB 2472 RELATING TO EDUCATION. EDU, WAM

Authorizes the issuance of special purpose revenue bonds for Mohala **Testimony** Pua School, doing business as the Honolulu Waldorf School.

SB 2671 EDU, WAM RELATING TO EDUCATION. Prohibits the movement of junior kindergarten and kindergarten

Testimony students between tiers, except under certain circumstances; prohibits a

junior kindergartener from directly graduating to first grade; ensures that a separate curriculum is established for the junior kindergarten program; requires the department of education to staff junior

kindergartens with qualified preschool teachers and preschool teacher aides; and appropriates funds for the implementation of a junior kindergarten program that achieves a student to teacher ratio of 10:1 and not more than 15:1 and for an educational specialist to focus on

early childhood education issues.

RELATING TO TAXATION. EDU, EDT, WAM SB 2300

Provides a tax credit to teachers for professional development and Testimony

training expenses.

RELATING TO TAXATION. EDU, EDT, WAM SB 2251

Establishes an income tax deduction for contributions to the college Testimony

savings program, established pursuant to section 529 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or successor legislation, to encourage savings and investment for post-secondary educational

purposes.

RELATING TO COLLEGE SAVINGS PROGRAMS. EDU, EDT, WAM SB 2660

Provides an annual maximum deduction of \$5,000 per individual or Testimony

\$10,000 for a married couple filing jointly against their taxable income for contributions made to a section 529 college savings program in

calendar year 2008 and beyond.



SB 2685 Testimony	RELATING TO PUBLIC SCHOOL FACILITIES.  Authorizes the issuance of general obligation bonds and appropriates funds to the department of education to develop a plan to provide temperature reduction measures which incorporates energy conservation initiatives, in public school facilities.	EDU, WAM
SB 2164 Testimony	RELATING TO EDUCATION.  Establishes the Hawaii charter school facilities fund for funding the repair, maintenance, and other facilities needs of charter schools.  Establishes a tax credit for certain individuals who make contributions to charter school repairs, maintenance, or development. Appropriates funds for the Hawaii charter school facilities fund.	EDU, EDT, WAM
SB 2649 Testimony	RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII.  Authorizes the issuance of general obligation bonds and appropriates funds for the University of Hawaii college of education and University laboratory school.	EDU, WAM
SB 2650 Testimony	RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII.  Directs the University of Hawaii to compile an inventory of all real estate holdings that the university controls. Establishes a priority list of lands available for development for university or non-university purposes.	EDU, WAM
SB 2665 Testimony	RELATING TO EDUCATION. Establishes and appropriates funds for the department of education real property and facilities use revolving fund.	EDU, WAM
SB 2670 Testimony	RELATING TO EDUCATION.  Establishes a task force to conduct a cost-benefit analysis to determine the cost savings, compensation, and a process for school closures or consolidations. Appropriates funds for the task force.	EDU, WAM

#### Decision Making to follow, if time permits.

Persons wishing to testify should submit testimony in one of the following ways at least 24 hours prior to the hearing:

- In person: 1 copy of their testimony to the committee clerk, Room 230, State Capitol.
- By fax: Testimony may be faxed if less than 5 pages in length, to the Senate Sergeant-At-Arms Office at 586-6659 or 1-800-586-6659 (toll free for neighbor islands), at least 24 hours prior to the hearing. When faxing, please indicate to which committee the testimony is being submitted and the date and time of the hearing.
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If you require special assistance or auxiliary aids or services to participate in the public hearing process (i.e., sign or foreign language interpreter or wheelchair accessibility), please contact the committee clerk 24 hours prior to the hearing so arrangements can be made.



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<u>Public Folder</u>. A folder labeled "Public Folder" containing the measures and testimonies for the hearing will be available for shared use by members of the public.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL THE COMMITTEE CLERK AT 586-6842.

Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland

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Chair

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