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COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES AND PUBLIC HOUSING

Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair Senator Les Ihara, Jr., Vice Chair

NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE:

Tuesday, January 29, 2008

TIME:

1:30 p.m.

PLACE:

Conference Room 016

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

AGENDA

SB 2129

RELATING TO ELDER AFFAIRS.

HSP

Testimony

Prohibits the director of the executive office on aging from altering, editing or withholding any work product issued by policy advisory board for elder affairs because it is inconsistent with the policy of the

administration.

SB 2151

RELATING TO LONG-TERM CARE OMBUDSMAN.

HSP, WAM

Testimony

Expands the long-term care ombudsman program by adding three additional ombudsman positions, one for each neighboring county.

SB 2152

RELATING TO THE TASK FORCE ON AGING.

HSP, WAM

Testimony

Establishes a task force on aging to study the need for and feasibility of establishing a department of aging. Requires the task force on aging to submit findings and recommendations to the legislature. Appropriates

funds for the task force on aging.

SB 2347

RELATING TO SENIOR CENTERS.

HSP, WAM

Testimony

Makes appropriation for certain senior centers on Oahu.

SB 2350

RELATING TO THE TASK FORCE ON AGING.

HSP, WAM

Testimony

Establishes a task force on aging to study the need for and feasibility of establishing a department of aging. Requires the task force on aging to

submit findings and recommendations to the legislature. Appropriates

funds for the task force on aging.

SB 2830

Testimony

RELATING TO CAREGIVING.

Pending Referral

Extends the joint legislative committee on family caregiving; changes the committee's name to the joint legislative committee on aging in place; expands the committee's mandate to include aging in place issues related to family caregiving; requires the aging and disability resource center to report to the committee; requires the joint legislative committee to conduct a cash and counseling project; appropriates funds to the joint legislative committee; allows kupuna care to include overnight, weekend, and emergency respite, as well as provide grants to caregivers and for home modification; appropriates funds to the kupuna care program.

As the committee previously heard SB No. 2291 testimony on Thursday, January 24, 2008, which is identical to measure SB 2830, no testimony will be heard.

SB 2141

RELATING TO PUBLIC HOUSING.

HSP, JDL

HSP, WAM

HSP, WAM

Testimony

Prohibits the consumption of any liquor on any public sidewalk or

common area within a public housing project.

SB 2187 **Testimony** MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR WEST HAWAII HOUSING. Appropriates funds to help with construction of a facility that will

provide housing and services for individuals and families that are successfully transitioning through the homeless continuum on the

island of Hawaii.

SB 2250 **Testimony** MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE HAWAII HOUSING

AUTHORITY TO UPGRADE FIRE SAFETY SYSTEMS.

Makes an appropriation for Hawaii public housing authority to upgrade

fire safety systems.

SB 2318

RELATING TO REAL PROPERTY.

HSP, JDL

Testimony

Amends the definition of "familial status" in HRS section 515-2, to specify that a non-parent individual cohabiting with any minor children must have the written consent of the child's parent in order to qualify

for "familial status" under the state housing laws.

SB 2408

RELATING TO PUBLIC HOUSING.

HSP

Testimony

Prohibits smoking in and around public housing projects under the

jurisdiction of the Hawaii public housing authority.

SB 2479

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE KALOKO HOUSING

PROGRAM.

Testimony

Appropriates funds to finance the Koloko housing program on the

island of Hawaii to assist the homeless.

SB 2148

RELATING TO FUNERALS.

HSP, CPH

HSP, WAM

Testimony

Establishes requirements for pre-need funeral and interment salespersons. Establishes requirements for the solicitation of pre-need

funeral and interment goods and services. Makes various amendments to the laws governing pre-need funeral and interment contracts and

trusts.

RELATING TO THE FUNERAL INDUSTRY. HSP, CPH SB 2599 Establishes requirements for pre-need funeral and interment **Testimony** salespersons. Establishes requirements for the solicitation of pre-need funeral and interment goods and services. Makes various amendments to the laws governing pre-need funeral and interment contracts and trusts. Requires the director of commerce and consumer affairs to conduct yearly audits of funeral authorities engaging in the sale of preneed funeral and interment goods and services for three years, beginning fiscal year 2008. RELATING TO HOMELESSNESS. HSP, WAM SB 2428 Appropriates funds to the Hawaii Public Housing Authority to provide **Testimony** alternative shelter for the homeless and acquire land. RELATING TO HOMELESSNESS. HSP, WAM SB 2429 Requires the Hawaii Public Housing Authority to conduct a study on <u>Testimony</u> various homeless solutions. RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLE INSURANCE. SB 2286 HSP, CPH Requires motor vehicle insurers to reduce the rates of senior citizens **Testimony** who successfully complete a driver improvement course. SB 2290 RELATING TO THE DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES HSP, WAM ADVOCACY SYSTEM. **Testimony** Authorizes governor to appoint 2 members from lists of nominees submitted by the senate president and speaker of the house of representatives, to the governing board of the State's advocacy system for persons with developmental disabilities, organized as a nonprofit

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:

entity under 42 United States Code section 15044.

- In person: 1 copy of their testimony to the committee clerk, Room 226, 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.
- By Email: Testimony may be emailed if less than 5 pages in length, to the Legislature's Public Access Room at testimony@capitol.hawaii.gov. Please indicate to which committee the testimony is being submitted and the date and time of the hearing. Email sent to individual offices or any other Senate office will not be accepted.

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