# THE SENATE THE TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE REGULAR SESSION OF 2009

### COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AND HOUSING

Senator Norman Sakamoto, Chair Senator Michelle Kidani, Vice Chair

# **NOTICE OF HEARING**

DATE: Monday, February 2, 2009

TIME: 1:15 pm

PLACE: Conference Room 225

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

## AGENDA

SB 438 RELATING TO BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETINGS. EDH, JGO

Authorizes the board of education to file any meeting notice that specifies legislation or legislation-related agenda items no fewer than two calendar days before a meeting during the period from the convening of the legislature in regular session to adjournment sine die

of each regular session, and during any special session of the

legislature.

SB 144 RELATING TO LEGAL SERVICES. EDH, WAM/JGO

Testimony Authorizes the board of education to employ or retain its own

independent legal counsel.

Status

SB 732 RELATING TO TAXATION. EDH, WAM

Testimony

Increases income tax check-offs in support of public education and

public libraries.

Status

SB 142 RELATING TO EDUCATION. EDH, WAM

Authorizes the Hawaii teacher standards board to suspend its policies, rules, and standards when required by extenuating circumstances.

Status Authorizes the board to determine how it collects license fees.

SB 204 RELATING TO EDUCATION. EDH, WAM

Authorizes the Hawaii teacher standards board to coordinate an effort that creates a data interface network to promote the free interchange of information among public and private Hawaii teacher education

institutions and the department of education. Appropriates funds.

SB 497 RELATING TO THE HAWAII TEACHER STANDARDS BOARD. EDH, WAM

Testimony
Establishes an advisory committee to provide oversight of the Hawaii teacher standards board and provide the governor with lists of nominees for appointment to the board; requires annual report of the

advisory committee to the board of education and the legislature;

authorizes the board to hire an executive director.

**SB 261** RELATING TO EDUCATION. EDH, LBR Allows the Department of Education to hire individuals with **Testimony** professional experience and university degrees as exceptional teachers. Authorizes alternative ways to become licensed, based on **Status** performance-based standards and giving credit for prior teaching experience in public schools outside of Hawaii and at accredited private schools, colleges, or universities. **SB 158** RELATING TO EDUCATION. EDH, LBR Removes references to demotion as an action that may be taken by the **Testimony** department of education against a department of education teacher. **Status** RELATING TO THE FEDERAL GRANTS SEARCH. EDH, WAM **SB 164** DEVELOPMENT, AND APPLICATION REVOLVING FUND. **Testimony** Expands the allowable use of the federal grants search, development, and application revolving fund to include monitoring and auditing. **Status** Changes the name of the fund to reflect the new allowable uses. **SB 160** RELATING TO SCHOOL MEALS. EDH, WAM Adds a definition of "school meals" to include breakfast and lunch; **Testimony** clarifies that the department of education shall set prices for all school **Status** meals, based on the previous year's cost. **SB 16** RELATING TO CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD CHECKS. EDH, JGO Authorizes the department of education to conduct criminal history **Testimony** record checks on volunteers in positions that place them in close proximity to children. **Status** RELATING TO EDUCATION. **SB 746** EDH, WAM Establishes a two-year pilot project within a designated complex area, **Testimony** which authorizes the complex area superintendent to reallocate **Status** resources within the schools in the complex area to achieve greater efficiency and cost-effectiveness; exempts the designated complex area from any department-wide budget reductions or restrictions during the 2-year pilot; requires interim and final reports to the legislature. RELATING TO EDUCATION. EDH, WAM **SB 145** Clarifies the transfer of responsibility for repair and maintenance of **Testimony** equipment and fixtures in school facilities from the department of accounting and general services to the department of education. Status RELATING TO EDUCATION. **SB 733** EDH, WAM Clarifies the law for determining school impact fees for financing new **Testimony** or expanding existing DOE schools or facilities. Status SB 163 RELATING TO EDUCATION. EDH, WAM Repeals statute creating district business and fiscal officers within the **Testimony** department of education. **Status SB 262** RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION. EDH, LBR Establishes minimum qualifications for administrator and project **Testimony** managers of the department of education's facilities services branch. **Status** 

# **SB 745**

<u>Testimony</u> Status

### RELATING TO PUBLIC SCHOOL FACILITIES.

Requires construction and renovation of public school facilities to meet the Collaborative for High Performance Schools standards. Requires replacement of old portable buildings with high performance classrooms. Also requires prioritization of public school facilities projects in accordance with certain criteria.

# Decision Making to follow, if time permits.

**FOR AMENDED HEARING NOTICES:** If the notice is an amended notice, measures that have been deleted are stricken through and measures that have been added are underscored. If there is a measure that is both underscored and stricken through, that measure has been deleted from the agenda.

Persons wishing to testify should submit testimony in one of the following ways by 4:00 p.m. the day 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.
- By Web: Testimony may be submitted online if less than 4MB in size, at <a href="http://www.capitol.hawaii.gov/emailtestimony">http://www.capitol.hawaii.gov/emailtestimony</a>.
- By Email: Testimony may be emailed if less than 5 pages in length, to the Committee at <a href="mailto:EDHTestimony@Capitol.hawaii.gov">EDHTestimony@Capitol.hawaii.gov</a>. Please indicate the measure, date and time of the hearing. **Email sent to individual offices or any other Senate office will not be accepted.**

Please note: If you submit your written testimony after 4:30 p.m. the day prior to the hearing, please sign-in at the staff table to testify orally. A copy of your testimony may not be available during the hearing but will be posted online for the public after the hearing.

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.

Please note: All testimony received by the Hawaii Senate will be posted on the Hawaii Legislature's Website. Documents made available through the Testimony hyperlink(s) above may not be posted until the start of the hearing.

<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.

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Senator Norman Sak	amoto	
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