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

# COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TECHNOLOGY

Senator Carol Fukunaga, Chair Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Vice Chair

## NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Friday, February 6, 2009 TIME: 1:15 p.m. PLACE: Conference Room 016 State Capitol 415 South Beretania Street

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| <u>SB 1678</u><br><u>Testimony</u><br><u>Status</u> | RELATING TO TAXATION.<br>Adopts amendments to Hawaii tax laws to implement the streamlined<br>sales and use tax agreement.  | EDT, WAM |
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| <u>SB 749</u><br><u>Testimony</u><br><u>Status</u>  | RELATING TO GENERAL EXCISE TAX.<br>Establishes a general excise tax exemption for all of the proceeds<br>arising from the provision of flight instruction.  | EDT, WAM |
| <u>SB 1299</u><br><u>Testimony</u><br><u>Status</u> | RELATING TO ADVANCED FLIGHT SIMULATOR TRAINING.<br>Adds businesses engaged in advanced flight simulator training for<br>pilots, dispatchers, mechanics, or air traffic controllers to the definition<br>of "qualified business" under the state enterprise zone law.  | EDT, WAM |
| <u>SB 255</u><br><u>Testimony</u><br><u>Status</u>  | RELATING TO INCOME TAX CREDITS.<br>Provides an income tax credit for employers when their employees<br>telecommute for work.  | EDT, WAM |
| <u>SB 256</u><br><u>Testimony</u><br><u>Status</u>  | RELATING TO TELEWORK.<br>Establishes the telework task force to develop a comprehensive plan<br>that will encourage and expand telework opportunities in Hawaii while<br>reducing harmful environmental impacts, traffic congestion, the<br>dependence on fossil fuels, and encourage a better quality of life for<br>people who commute to work in Hawaii. Makes an appropriation.   | EDT, WAM |
| <u>SB 523</u><br><u>Testimony</u><br><u>Status</u>  | RELATING TO HIGH TECHNOLOGY.<br>Clarifies the operation of the high technology research and<br>development loan and grant program to allow the State to catch up to<br>increased federal award amounts since 1989. Gives priority to first-<br>time small business innovation research and small business technology<br>transfer award or contract recipients. Allows, rather than requires, the<br>grant program to borrow funds from the Hawaii capital loan revolving<br>fund. | EDT, WAM |

| <u>SB 91</u><br><u>Testimony</u><br><u>Status</u>  | RELATING TO COMMUNITY-BASED ECONOMIC<br>DEVELOPMENT.<br>Authorizes the Hawaii community-based economic development<br>revolving fund to receive funding from any source; repeals prohibition<br>on reallocation of funds from loan program to grant program and<br>reduces the maximum interest rate on the loans from 10% to 6%;<br>reduces limit on applicant's total loan balance from \$500,000 to<br>\$250,000; deletes requirement that advisory council members be<br>reimbursed for expenses from the revolving fund; clarifies nonprofit<br>determination. | EDT, WAM |
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| <u>SB 830</u><br><u>Testimony</u><br><u>Status</u> | RELATING TO GOVERNMENT SHARED SERVICES<br>TECHNOLOGY.<br>Establishes the Shared Services Technology Special Fund to allow<br>departments and agencies to pool resources for common technology<br>systems, hardware, and software.   | EDT, WAM |
| <u>SB 831</u><br><u>Testimony</u><br><u>Status</u> | RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND<br>GENERAL SERVICES.<br>Establishes two permanent exempt positions within the Department of<br>Accounting and General Services for the purpose of acquiring and<br>applying highly specialized technology skills and knowledge.  | EDT, WAM |

## 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.

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- In person: 1 copy of their testimony to the committee clerk, Room 216, State Capitol.
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- By Web: Testimony may be submitted online if less than 4MB in size, at http://www.capitol.hawaii.gov/emailtestimony.
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Senator Carol Fukunaga Chair