## 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

## MEASURES DEFERRED TO MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2009

DATE: Monday, February 9, 2009

TIME: 1:15 p.m.

PLACE: Conference Room 016

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

## DECISION MAKING ON THE FOLLOWING MEASURE(S):

(Deferred from Friday, February 6, 2009)

SB 749 RELATING TO GENERAL EXCISE TAX. EDT, WAM

<u>Testimony</u> Establishes a general excise tax exemption for all of the proceeds arising from the provision of flight instruction.

SB 1299 RELATING TO ADVANCED FLIGHT SIMULATOR TRAINING. EDT, WAM

Testimony

Adds businesses engaged in advanced flight simulator training for pilots, dispatchers, mechanics, or air traffic controllers to the definition

of "qualified business" under the state enterprise zone law.

SB 255 RELATING TO INCOME TAX CREDITS. EDT, WAM

<u>Testimony</u> Provides an income tax credit for employers when their employees

telecommute for work.

SB 256 RELATING TO TELEWORK. EDT, WAM

<u>Testimony</u> Establishes the telework task force to develop a comprehensive plan

that will encourage and expand telework opportunities in Hawaii while reducing harmful environmental impacts, traffic congestion, the dependence on fossil fuels, and encourage a better quality of life for people who commute to work in Hawaii. Makes an appropriation.

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SB 523 RELATING TO HIGH TECHNOLOGY. EDT, WAM

Testimony Clarifies the operation of the high technology research and

development loan and grant program to allow the State to catch up to increased federal award amounts since 1989. Gives priority to first-time small business innovation research and small business technology transfer award or contract recipients. Allows, rather than requires, the grant program to borrow funds from the Hawaii capital loan revolving

fund.

SB 91 Testimony RELATING TO COMMUNITY-BASED ECONOMIC

DEVELOPMENT.

Authorizes the Hawaii community-based economic development revolving fund to receive funding from any source; repeals prohibition on reallocation of funds from loan program to grant program and reduces the maximum interest rate on the loans from 10% to 6%; reduces limit on applicant's total loan balance from \$500,000 to \$250,000; deletes requirement that advisory council members be reimbursed for expenses from the revolving fund; clarifies nonprofit

determination.

SB 830 Testimony RELATING TO GOVERNMENT SHARED SERVICES

TECHNOLOGY.

Establishes the Shared Services Technology Special Fund to allow departments and agencies to pool resources for common technology

systems, hardware, and software.

SB 831 Testimony RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND

GENERAL SERVICES.

Establishes two permanent exempt positions within the Department of Accounting and General Services for the purpose of acquiring and applying highly specialized technology skills and knowledge.

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No testimony will be accepted.

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