THE SENATE THE TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE REGULAR SESSION OF 2009

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

Senator David Y. Ige, Chair Senator Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair

NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Friday February 6, 2009

TIME: 3:00 PM

PLACE: Conference Room 016

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

<u>AGENDA</u>

SB 1676 RELATING TO HEALTH. HTH, CPN

<u>Testimony</u>

Makes amendments to clarify the support and expansion of new technology in the use of telemedicine; clarifies that telehealth is within

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<u>Status</u> the scope of a physician's practice.

SB 340 RELATING TO MEDICAL SAVINGS ACCOUNTS. HTH, WAM

Testimony Establishes medical savings accounts.

Status

SB 380 RELATING TO TAXATION. HTH, WAM

Testimony Establishes a health savings account for persons subject to the income

tax laws of Hawaii.

Status

SB 170 RELATING TO HEALTH. HTH, WAM

Testimony Requires all physicians, health care professionals, and laboratory directors to report every incidence of staph infection to the department of health; establishes a permanent staph advisory committee within the

department of health.

SB 192 RELATING TO HEARING AID DEVICES. HTH, CPN

Testimony Requires health insurance policies and contracts to provide coverage

for the cost of hearing aid devices in their base plans.

Status

Decision Making to follow, if time permits.

Persons wishing to testify should submit testimony in one of the following ways by 4:00 p.m. the day prior to the hearing:

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- 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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Senator David Y. Ige Chair