THE SENATE THE TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE REGULAR SESSION OF 2009

COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY AND GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS

Senator Brian T. Taniguchi, Chair Senator Dwight Y. Takamine, Vice Chair

NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Tuesday, February 10, 2009

TIME: 9:00 a.m.

PLACE: Conference Room 016

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

<u>AGENDA</u>

SB 118 RELATING TO TAXATION. JGO, WAM Establishes a ten-year statute of limitations on tax collections. **Testimony** Clarifies that the three-year statute of limitations on tax assessments for the general excise tax, use tax, and other period taxes begins **Status** running from the filing of each periodic return RELATING TO TAXATION. **SB 194** JGO, WAM Requires a tax refund to be deposited in the taxpayer's accounts; **Testimony** prohibits deposit into a paid preparer's accounts; requires a paid preparer to sign a return; establishes penalties. **Status** RELATING TO THE INTERSTATE COMPACT FOR JUVENILES. JGO, WAM **SB 109** Adopts the new Interstate Compact for Juveniles and establishes the **Testimony** family court's jurisdiction under the compact. **Status**

SB 259 RELATING TO JURY DUTY. JGO

Testimony Reduces the jury duty exemption age from 80 to 75 years old.

Status

SB 65 RELATING TO THE HAWAII RULES OF EVIDENCE. JGO

Testimony Provides that if evidence of an alleged victim's character for

aggressiveness is offered by an accused and admitted under paragraph

(2), evidence of the same trait of character of the accused offered by

the prosecution may be admissible.

SB 260 RELATING TO GAMBLING. JGO

Testimony
Amends definition of gambling to clarify that purchase of sweepstakes entry that also provides nominal non-gambling value constitutes gambling even if sweepstakes entry can be obtained without payment

of consideration. Eliminates free play as a defense under certain

circumstances.

SB 477 Testimony Status	RELATING TO GOVERNMENT RETENTION OF ATTORNEYS. Authorizes the speaker of the house of representatives or the president of the senate, separately as well as jointly, to employ or retain attorneys.	JGO
SB 906 Testimony Status	RELATING TO PUBLIC MEETINGS. Expands ability of a board or commission to facilitate public meetings through available interactive conferencing technology.	JGO
SB 856 Testimony Status	RELATING TO IDENTIFICATION. Extends expiration period on the Hawaii State Identification card from six years to eight years; deletes the provisions for transitioning from expiration dates calculated by issue dates to expiration on the cardholder's birthday.	JGO
SB 928 Testimony Status	RELATING TO SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER PROTECTION. Amends section 338-4, Hawaii Revised Statutes, to redefine data reportable to county clerks in a manner consistent with protecting social security numbers.	JGO
SB 1343 Testimony Status	RELATING TO FEES AND OTHER ASSESSMENTS. Removes administrative agencies' authority to establish fees and replaces administratively established fees with statutory fees.	JGO, WAM
SB 1349 Testimony Status	RELATING TO NOTARIES PUBLIC. Clarifies the law with respect to the duties of a notary public.	JGO

Decision Making to follow, if time permits.

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

- By Email: Testimony may be emailed if less than 5 pages in length, to the Committee at JGOTestimony@Capitol.hawaii.gov. Please indicate the measure, date and time of the hearing. Email sent to individual offices or any other Senate office will not be accepted.
- By Web: Testimony may be submitted online if less than 4MB in size, at http://www.capitol.hawaii.gov/emailtestimony.
- In person: 1 copy of their testimony to the committee clerk, Room 016, 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.

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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.

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Senator Brian T. Taniguchi Chair