

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Tuesday, February 24, 2009
1:00 p.m.
Conference Room 308; State Capitol

AGENDA:

<u>Decision making only to insert substantive provisions into the short form bill:</u>		
HB 1175	RELATING TO TAXATION.	FIN
Status	Amends the Hawaii Revised Statutes relating to taxation.	
HB 1184	RELATING TO STATE GOVERNMENT.	FIN
Status	Amends the Hawaii Revised Statutes relating to state government.	
HB 1185	RELATING TO TRANSIENT ACCOMMODATIONS TAX.	FIN
Status	Amends the Hawaii Revised Statutes relating to transient accommodations tax.	

COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY AND COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER PROTECTION & COMMERCE

Tuesday, February 24, 2009
Conference Room 325; State Capitol

2:00 p.m. AGENDA:

HB 1415	RELATING TO SERVICE OF PROCESS.	JUD/CPC
Status	Requires association of apartment owners of a condominium or the Board of Directors of a planned community association to designate a representative on the property that is authorized to provide entry for a duly authorized process server.	

Decision making to follow.

2:05 p.m. AGENDA:

JUD only:

<u>HB 1514, HD1</u> <u>(HSCR447)</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO MEDICAL TORTS. Places a ceiling on non-economic damages in medical torts involving neurologists and neurosurgeons and reduces insurance premiums for malpractice liability coverage. Requires a health care provider to disclose to patients adverse events relating to their medical treatment. Requires the Hawaii medical board to collect and publish information about physicians licensed in the state to allow consumers to make informed decisions in selecting physicians. Establishes a medical malpractice damages task force to provide support in implementing the provisions of this Act. (HB1514 HD1)	HLT, JUD
<u>HB 1636</u> <u>(HSCR461)</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO EMERGENCY MEDICAL PHYSICIANS. Provides additional protection for physicians who render medical services in genuine emergency situations involving an immediate threat of death or serious bodily injury.	HLT, JUD
<u>HB 1784, HD1</u> <u>(HSCR505)</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO MEDICAL TORTS. Limits the amount awarded for non-economic damages in medical tort cases to \$250,000 per physician specialist. Sets the award limit for non-economic damages in cases of gross negligence at \$3,000,000. Requires a health care provider to disclose to patients adverse events relating to their medical treatment. Requires the Hawaii medical board to collect and publish information about physicians licensed in the state to allow consumers to make informed decisions in selecting physicians. (HB1784 HD1)	HLT, JUD
<u>HB 310, HD1</u> <u>(HSCR462)</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO MEDICAL TORTS. In medical tort litigation authorizes the court to impose sanctions on a party whose rejection of the Medical Claim Conciliation Panel's decision resulted in the trial and who at trial fails to improve on the panel's award by increasing or decreasing it by at least 30 percent. (HB310 HD1)	HLT, JUD

HB 1537 (HSCR503) Status	<p>RELATING TO AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATORS.</p> <p>Specifies that any person who provides for an automated external defibrillator training program is generally immune from vicarious civil liability resulting from any act or omission of a Good Samaritan attempting to use the device to resuscitate a person.</p>	<p>HLT, JUD</p>
HB 366, HD1 (HSCR164) Status	<p>RELATING TO MANTA RAYS.</p> <p>Establishes fines and penalties for any person who knowingly captures or kills a manta ray within state marine waters. (HB366 HD1)</p>	<p>WLO, JUD</p>
HB 730 Status	<p>RELATING TO CRUELTY TO ANIMALS.</p> <p>Repeals existing prohibition against dog fighting and enacts more comprehensive prohibition of dog fighting and related conduct. Provides enhanced penalties.</p>	<p>JUD</p>
HB 382 Status	<p>RELATING TO STATE TORT LIABILITY.</p> <p>Requires notification of pending class action against the State to the Governor, President of the Senate, and Speaker of the House at prior to the filing of the lawsuit. Requires service of the lawsuit to the Senate President and House Speaker. Effective January 1, 2010.</p>	<p>JUD</p>
HB 441, HD1 (HSCR319) Status	<p>RELATING TO CHILD CARE.</p> <p>Creates penalties for child care facility providers who misrepresent material information about their child care center operations to the guardians or parents of a prospective or current child at the center, an employee of the department of human services, or any law enforcement officer. (HB441 HD1)</p>	<p>HUS, JUD</p>
HB 999 Status	<p>RELATING TO MEETINGS OF PUBLIC AGENCIES.</p> <p>Requires notice of state-board meetings to be posted on the central State of Hawaii Internet website. Eliminates the requirement that notice of state-board meetings be filed in the Office of the Lieutenant Governor.</p>	<p>JUD</p>

HB 1101, HD1 (HSCR334) Status	<p>RELATING TO INVESTIGATORS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES.</p> <p>Authorizes the Director of Human Services to appoint and commission investigators to investigate incidents at the Hawaii youth correctional facilities, and gives these investigators access to necessary information maintained by state and county entities. Takes effect January 1, 2050. (HB1101 HD1)</p>	HUS, JUD
HB 140 (HSCR391) Status	<p>RELATING TO THE STATEWIDE TRAFFIC CODE.</p> <p>Gives counties the ability to regulate the use of electric personal assistive mobility devices on sidewalks.</p>	TRN, JUD
HB 874, HD1 (HSCR606) Status	<p>RELATING TO RESIDENTIAL REAL PROPERTY.</p> <p>Prohibits residential real property transfer fees required by a deed restriction or covenant, with certain exceptions. Effective 11/1/09. (HB874 HD1)</p>	CPC, JUD
HB 1212 Status	<p>RELATING TO INFORMATION PRACTICES.</p> <p>Removes records of complaints from the exceptions to the types of information that are not subject to disclosure as public documents.</p>	JUD
HB 1414 (HSCR105) Status	<p>RELATING TO METAL.</p> <p>Repeals the 07/01/09 "sunset" date in Act 53, SLH 2008, that established the misdemeanor offense of theft of beer keg and imposed recordkeeping requirements on scrap metal dealers that purchase beer kegs. Effective 06/30/09.</p>	CPC, JUD
HB 1316, HD1 (HSCR171) Status	<p>RELATING TO TORTS.</p> <p>Abolishes joint and several liability for design professionals in tort claims relating to the maintenance and design of public highways, except when the design professional's degree of negligence is 25% or more. Effective 01/01/2020. (HB1316 HD1)</p>	CPC, JUD
HB 866, HD1 (HSCR562) Status	<p>RELATING TO HIGH OCCUPANCY VEHICLE LANES.</p> <p>Allows all motor vehicles, regardless of number of persons on board, to use high occupancy vehicle lanes or zipper lanes when one or more lanes of traffic have been shut down by law enforcement officers or emergency services personnel. Requires the Department of Transportation to develop protocols for their use. (HB866 HD1)</p>	TRN, JUD

[HB 1422](#)
[\(HSCR560\)](#)
[Status](#) RELATING TO ABANDONED VEHICLES. TRN, JUD
Allows counties to remove abandoned motor vehicles from private roads.

[HB 758](#)
[\(HSCR132\)](#)
[Status](#) RELATING TO IMPOUNDMENT OF VEHICLES. TRN, JUD
Authorizes and sets forth procedures for impounding a motor vehicle after a person has been fined three or more times for operating a vehicle without a valid certificate of inspection, or for operating a vehicle without being duly licensed, without a valid insurance card, or without a valid insurance policy.

Decision making to follow.

COMMITTEE ON HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS AND COMMITTEE ON HUMAN SERVICES

Wednesday, February 25, 2009
Conference Room 329; State Capitol

10:40 a.m. AGENDA:

[HCR 25](#)
[Status](#) REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES TO ADOPT, AMEND, OR REPEAL RULES IN ORDER TO RECOGNIZE AND RESPECT THE HAWAIIAN SYSTEM OF HANAI DURING THE LICENSING OF FOSTER PARENTS. HAW/HUS, JUD

[HR 27](#)
[Status](#) REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES TO ADOPT, AMEND, OR REPEAL RULES IN ORDER TO RECOGNIZE AND RESPECT THE HAWAIIAN SYSTEM OF HANAI DURING THE LICENSING OF FOSTER PARENTS. HAW/HUS, JUD

Decision making to follow.

10:45 a.m. AGENDA:

HAW only:

[HCR 67](#)
[Status](#) REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND GENERAL SERVICES TO DEVELOP A PLAN TO INSTALL SIGNS IN THE STATE CAPITOL IN BOTH THE ENGLISH AND HAWAIIAN LANGUAGES. HAW, FIN

[HR 53](#)
[Status](#) REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND GENERAL SERVICES TO DEVELOP A PLAN TO INSTALL SIGNS IN THE STATE CAPITOL IN BOTH THE ENGLISH AND HAWAIIAN LANGUAGES. HAW, FIN

[HCR 75](#)
[Status](#) REQUESTING THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE TO ISSUE A STAMP HONORING PRINCE JONAH KUHIO KALANIANAOLE. HAW

[HR 61](#)
[Status](#) REQUESTING THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE TO ISSUE A STAMP HONORING PRINCE JONAH KUHIO KALANIANAOLE. HAW

Decision making to follow.

10:50 a.m. AGENDA:

HAW/WLO only:

[HCR 28](#)
[Status](#) REQUESTING A STUDY OF THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A COMMUNITY-BASED CARETAKING AND EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM FOR AREAS OF STATE PARKS THAT CONTAIN HEIAU AND OTHER SACRED SITES. HAW/WLO, FIN

Decision making to follow.