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NOTICE OF INFORMATIONAL BRIEFING

DATE: Friday, December 04, 2009

TIME: 11:30 a.m.

PLACE: Conference Room 329

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

AGENDA

The purpose of this informational briefing is to discuss the proposed rule changes to the Department of Human Services' (DHS) Hawaii's Child Care Subsidy Program, Hawaii Administrative Rules, Sections 17-798.2-12 and 17-798.2-14. A public hearing was held on November 23, 2009, where DHS proposed a reduction in child-care subsides for families with preschoolers.

This briefing will allow DHS representatives to present pertinent information on child care expenditures and the rationale behind the proposed rule changes. Further, the briefing will also allow preschools and affected parents and community members the opportunity to share their thoughts on the proposed subsidy reduction.

The briefing seeks to accomplish a better understanding of the proposed subsidy reduction for families with preschoolers while also considering possible options for affected families.

The following organizations and/or individuals have been invited to participate:

The State Department of Human Services

Administrators and representatives of Hawaii's Preschools

Parents, Guardians, and Families affected by proposed reduction of preschool subsidies

Other related stakeholders

To ensure that all testifiers have adequate time to speak, please limit answers and comments to 10 minutes per State Department and Administration and 5 minutes for an individual or group.

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