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## **NOTICE OF HEARING**

DATE:

Monday, February 1, 2010

TIME:

8:30am

PLACE:

Conference Room 329

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

## AGENDA

HB 1883 Status

## RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES CONTRACTS.

HUS, FIN

Requires department of human services to report to legislature prior to 2011 regular session information relating to contract award process;

list of contract awardees and contract amounts; and number of victims served and types of services provided by nonprofit organizations for

the period from 1/1/2007 to 6/30/2010.

<u>HB 1915</u>

### RELATING TO ASSET BUILDING.

HUS, FIN

Status Establishes a refundable state earned income tax credit. Requires the

Department of Human Services to provide financial education to applicants for and recipients of Temporary Assistance for Needy Families. Amends provisions of 257, HRS, regarding Individual

Development Accounts.

HB 2061 Status

#### RELATING TO CHILDREN.

HUS, FIN

Provides that in child custody proceedings, courts shall not give undue weight to a parent's absence away from the child, when such absence is due to service in the military or duties as a public official. Requires

due to service in the military or duties as a public official. Requires courts to make a reasonable effort to expedite proceedings or use electronic communication systems to facilitate a parent's participation in a proceeding when the parent is a substantial distance away from the

court.

HB 2149

RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES.

HUS, FIN

Status Requires the department of human services to notify clients of the

transfer of the client from one case worker to another.

HB 2158 Status RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES.

HUS, FIN

Requires department of human services to develop grant programs to prevent and respond to domestic violence using federal stimulus funds,

private foundation grants, and other funds.

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HB 2468 Status	RELATING TO VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION. Establishes a vocational rehabilitation division within the department of human services. Places services for blind persons and deaf services under the vocational rehabilitation division. Clarifies services for the deaf. Requires the department of human services to develop a strategic plan to restructure services to the deaf, hard of hearing, or deaf-blind through a comprehensive service center.	HUS, FIN
HB 2798 Status	RELATING TO THE COMMISSION ON FATHERHOOD. Increases the length of terms of members of the Commission on Fatherhood from two to four years.	HUS, FIN
HB 2265 Status	RELATING TO FAMILY COURTS.  Amends custody and visitation criteria and procedure to specify what courts shall consider in determining the best interest of the child.	HUS, JUD
HB 2796 Status	RELATING TO DOMESTIC ABUSE ORDERS. Authorizes a temporary restraining order to remain in effect for 90 days or until service of a protection order, whichever occurs first. Provides for protective orders issued orally in court to be effective upon service of the respondent.	HUS, JUD
HB 2804 Status	RELATING TO CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT.  Authorizes the child support enforcement agency to receive and investigate complaints of the misuse of child support. Provides that complaints may be filed by the child for whom child support is ordered or by a guardian ad litem. Provides that child support payments shall be held by the agency during an investigation.	HUS, JUD

### **DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW**

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