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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE:

Monday, February 14, 2011

TIME:

10:00am

PLACE: Conference Room 329

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

AGENDA

<u>HB 56</u>

RELATING TO CHILD VISITATION.

HUS, JUD

Status

Permits family court to award reasonable visitation to grandparents if

denial of visitation would cause significant harm to the child. Establishes presumption that visitation decisions by parent are in the best interests of the child. Presumption may be rebutted by a preponderance of the evidence. Identifies factors court may consider in according with the child.

in awarding visitation.

HB 616 Status RELATING TO CHILD CUSTODY.

HUS, JUD

Clarifies that awards of visitation rights may include visitation by electronic communication. Establishes factors that shall be considered

and authorizes courts to set guidelines for visitation by electronic

communication.

HB 1003

RELATING TO THE PENAL CODE.

HUS, JUD

<u>Status</u> To provide greater protections to victims of domestic violence who the

court is already attempting to keep safe through protective orders.

<u>HB 769, HDI</u>

RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES.

HUS, FIN

(HSCR125) Status Allows the Department of Human Services to oversee a three-year demonstration project permitting two private-pay individuals to live in

the same community care foster family home under specified

conditions. (HB769 HD1)

HB 734, HD1 (HSCR210)

Status

RELATING TO THE ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY POVERTY

ERB, HUS, FIN

REDUCTION TASK FORCE.

Establishes the economic opportunity poverty reduction task force to develop a strategic, integrated, and comprehensive plan to expand economic opportunities in Hawaii to reduce, by at least 50% by 2021, the number of Hawaii residents, including children and families, living

in poverty.

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