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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Tuesday, February 08, 2011 TIME: 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. PLACE: Conference Room 309

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

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HB 1512 Status	RELATING TO THE WEED AND SEED STRATEGY. Establishes the weed and seed strategy under the department of labor and industrial relations. Makes appropriation.	LAB, JUD, FIN
HB 1513 Status	RELATING TO THE WEED AND SEED STRATEGY. Establishes a permanent weed and seed program within DLIR. Appropriates funds as a grant to maintain the operations of the weed and seed program in the Ala Moana, Chinatown, downtown Honolulu, Kalihi, Waipahu, and Ewa beach communities on Oahu.	LAB, JUD, FIN
HB 1434 Status	RELATING TO PUBLIC WORK PROJECTS. Clarifies that a single violation of the prevailing wage law refers to each separate project where the department of labor and industrial relations finds a contractor in violation.	LAB, FIN
HB 574, HD1 (HSCR8) Status	RELATING TO UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE. Makes fear of domestic or sexual violence a good cause for not accepting otherwise suitable, available work. Effective July 1, 2050. (HB574 HD1)	HUS, LAB, FIN
HB 466 Status	RELATING TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION. Requires independent medical examinations and permanent impairment rating examinations for workers' compensation claims to be performed by physicians mutually agreed upon by employers and	LAB, CPC, FIN

employees or appointed by the DLIR director. (pending re-referral)

PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE VII, SECTION 6, HB 835 LAB, JUD, FIN Status OF THE HAWAII CONSTITUTION, RELATING TO THE DISPOSITION OF EXCESS REVENUES. Proposes a constitutional amendment to article VII, section 6 of the state constitution to authorize the legislature to deposit excess general fund revenues into a fund to fund pension benefits and other postemployment benefits for State employees. HB 1036 RELATING TO FEDERAL TAX QUALIFICATION LAB, FIN REQUIREMENTS FOR THE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT **Status** SYSTEM. Adopts language, regarding death benefits for Employees' Retirement System member on qualified military service, required to maintain the tax-qualified status of the Employees' Retirement System and adopts provisions, for the commencement of benefits, required to maintain the tax qualified status of the Employees' Retirement System. HB 1037 RELATING TO EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE LAB, FIN Status EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM. Sets the rates for employer contributions to the Employees' Retirement System. HB 1038 RELATING TO THE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM. LAB, FIN Status Provides for retirement benefits for State and county employees who become members of the Employees' Retirement System after June 30, 2012. HB 1142 RELATING TO THE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM. LAB, FIN **Status** Provides for the retirement age for state and county employees who become members of the ERS after 6/30/12. RELATING TO THE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM. HB 1143 LAB, FIN Status Reduces the investment return yield rate assumption for ERS for the fiscal year ending 06/30/11, to 7 3/4%. Authorizes the ERS board of trustees to set the investment return yield rate assumption after 06/30/11, based on recommendations of the actuary.

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

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