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## NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE:

Tuesday, February 28, 2012

TIME:

3:00 P.M.

PLACE:

Conference Room 308

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

## AGENDA#6

HB 1858 (HSCR30-12) Status RELATING TO WORKFORCE INFORMATION.

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Requires the Director of Human Resources Development to annually report workforce demographic information to the Legislature.

Effective July 1, 2012.

<u>HB 1698</u>

RELATING TO QUALIFIED COMMUNITY REHABILITATION

PROGRAMS.

(HSCR10-12) Status

Removes the department of human resources development's requirement to report expenditures on qualified community

rehabilitation programs to the legislature.

HB 2773, HD2 (HSCR540-12) Status RELATING TO THE WEED AND SEED PROGRAM.

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Establishes the Weed and Seed program under the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations. Appropriates an unspecified amount to

the Young Men's Christian Association of Honolulu as a grant to support the Weed and Seed program on Oahu. Appropriates \$336,000 for fiscal year 2012-2013 to maintain and expand the program.

Effective 1/7/2059.

<u>HB 2578, HD1</u> (HSCR496-12) RELATING TO THE ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR COMMUNITY

SERVICES.

Status

Abolishes the Advisory Council for Community Services.

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HB 1765, HD2 (HSCR534-12) Status RELATING TO CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD CHECKS FOR COUNTY EMPLOYEES.

Allows counties to conduct criminal history checks on prospective liquor commission employees, prospective employees working with vulnerable adults or seniors, employees for fire department and emergency medical services positions, and emergency management employees with certain additional requirements. Effective January 7, 2059.

HB 2254, HD1 (HSCR544-12)

Status

RELATING TO THE PRETAX TRANSPORTATION BENEFIT.

Allows the chief executive of certain jurisdictions of the State, including the counties, to establish a wage and salary reduction benefit program which qualifies as a pretax transportation benefit program within the meaning of section 132 of the Internal Revenue Code. Authorizes the chief executive to enter into all contracts necessary to

establish, administer, and maintain such a program.

HB 2573 (HSCR253-12) Status RELATING TO APPRENTICESHIP.

Amends the state apprenticeship law to conform to new federal

regulations on apprenticeship in 29 Code of Federal Regulations part 29.

HB 2025, HD1 (HSCR564-12) Status RELATING TO EMPLOYMENT SECURITY.

Authorizes certain private employers to administer a work-sharing plan to avoid temporary layoffs, if approved by the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations. Allows employees under a work-sharing plan to receive unemployment benefits to compensate for lost wages. Requires employees to be employed for not less than 90 days to be eligible for participation in a work-sharing program. Requires an employer to notify employees eligible to participate in a work-sharing program that unemployment compensation benefits may be affected if

an employee becomes unemployed in the future. Effective September

1, 2013.

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

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