THE SENATE THE TWENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE INTERIM OF 2011

COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

Senator Josh Green, M.D., Chair Senator Clarence K. Nishihara, Vice Chair

NOTICE OF INFORMATIONAL BRIEFING

DATE: Thursday, January 5, 2012 TIME: 10:00 AM to 12:00 Noon PLACE: Conference Room 229

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

AGENDA

The purpose of this briefing is to assess the impact the closing of Hawaii Medical Center's Liver Center will have on patient care and management of liver disease. Also what steps are being taking to effectuate access to other liver specialist on Oahu, as well as any problems that may have arisen?

Individuals from the following organizations are invited to offer comments:

Hawaii Department of Health
The Queen's Medical Center
Hawaii Pacific Health
Hawaii Primary Care Association
HMSA
Hepatitis Support Network of Hawaii
Other individuals and former HMC Liver Center patients impacted by HMC's closure

Written comments will be accepted and should be submitted 24 hours prior to the start of the hearing. Please submit comments to HTHtestimony@capitol.hawaii.gov.

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