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## **NOTICE OF HEARING**

DATE:

Tuesday, February 07, 2012

TIME:

9:30 a.m.

PLACE:

Conference Room 309

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

## <u>AGENDA</u>

HB 1819

RELATING TO THE EMERGENCY AND BUDGET RESERVE

LAB, FIN

<u>Status</u>

FUND.

Increases from 5% to 30% the percentage of moneys from the excess general fund balance to be deposited into the emergency and budget reserve fund as a temporary source of funding during economic downturn. Requires 30% of the excess general fund balance to be used

to reduce the unfunded liability of the EUTF.

HB 2102

RELATING TO THE HAWAII EMPLOYER-UNION HEALTH

LAB, FIN

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Status BENEFITS TRUST FUND.

Eliminates medicare part B reimbursements for employee-beneficiaries and spouses of employee-beneficiaries hired after June 30, 2012.

Effective July 1, 2012.

HB 2491 Status RELATING TO THE HAWAII EMPLOYER-UNION HEALTH

BENEFITS TRUST FUND.

Authorizes the board of the Employer-Union Health Benefits Trust Fund to create a trust fund for the purpose of receiving employer contributions that will prefund post-employment health and other

benefit costs for retirees and their beneficiaries.

HB 2492 Status RELATING TO THE HAWAII EMPLOYER-UNION HEALTH

BENEFITS TRUST FUND.

Changes the date that the base monthly contribution is annually adjusted from July 1 of each year to January 1 of each year.

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HB 1168

RELATING TO THE HAWAII EMPLOYER-UNION HEALTH

LAB, FIN

**Status** 

BENEFITS TRUST FUND.

Provides for fiduciary responsibilities. Allows EUTF to hire attorneys. Alters composition of EUTF board and appointments to vacancies. Alters requirements for quorum. Places EUTF within DHRD rather

than BUF for administrative purposes.

HB 1848 Status

RELATING TO COLLECTIVE BARGAINING.

LAB, FIN

Repeals the prohibition of using arbitration to resolve impasses or disputes relating to state and county EUTF contributions. Makes an arbitration panel decision on EUTF contributions final and binding without exception. Specifies EUTF and group life insurance payments

to be negotiated. Repeals an obsolete provision.

HB 2766 Status

RELATING TO PUBLIC WORKS.

LAB, FIN

Establishes the Wage and Hour for Public Works Projects Special

Fund and establishes and funds additional labor law enforcement specialist positions to assist the enforcement of Hawaii's wage and hour law on public construction projects. Specifies a funding mechanism for the special fund and requires an annual report.

Effective July 1, 2012.

HB 2859

RELATING TO COLLECTIVE BARGAINING.

LAB, HED, FIN

Status Excludes student help from the list of state employees statutorily

barred from inclusion in any appropriate collective bargaining unit.

Effective July 1, 2012.

#### **DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW**

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