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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Thursday, March 16, 2017 TIME: 9:00 AM PLACE: Conference Room 309 State Capitol 415 South Beretania Street

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<u>SB 133, SD2</u> (<u>SSCR765</u>) <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' FRINGE BENEFITS. Requires the EUTF's actuary to prepare a valuation report annually. Requires the annual valuation to include an update of assumptions specific to the fund that are not updated pursuant to section 88-105, HRS, as deemed necessary by the actuary at least once in each three- year period. Reduces the maximum period between experience studies of the ERS from five years to three years. Effective 1/7/2059. (SD2)	LAB, FIN
<u>SB 930. SD2</u> (<u>SSCR566)</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO UNCLAIMED PROPERTY OF THE HAWAII EMPLOYER-UNION HEALTH BENEFITS TRUST FUND. Provides a means for the EUTF to void claims for reimbursement of medicare part B premiums or any other debt payable that total less than \$500 and are older than ten years. Effective 1/7/2059. (SD2)	LAB, FIN
<u>SB 935, SD2</u> (<u>SSCR771)</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO STAFF OF THE HAWAII EMPLOYER-UNION HEALTH BENEFITS TRUST FUND. Classifies EUTF staff positions created after 7/1/2014 to be designated civil service employees. Appropriates funds for EUTF to employ staff through the civil service system. Effective 1/7/2059. (SD2)	LAB, FIN
<u>SB 936, SD2</u> (<u>SSCR772)</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO THE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM. Extends benefit finalization period for December 31 retirements; changes interest rate for late benefit finalizations; extends deadline for employer payments under section 88-100, Hawaii Revised Statues; allows delegation of certain disability retirement and service connected death benefit approval functions. Takes effect 1/7/2059. (SD1)	LAB, FIN



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<u>SB 944, SD1</u> (SSCR590) <u>Status</u>	MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING COST ITEMS RELATED TO THE TRANSITION OF MAUI REGION HOSPITALS. Makes an appropriation to the department of budget and finance for collective bargaining cost items related to the transition of the operation of Maui regional hospitals to Maui Health Systems, a Kaiser Hospital. (SD1)	LAB, FIN
<u>SB 410, SD1</u> (<u>SSCR874)</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO COLLECTIVE BARGAINING. Clarifies the allowable scope of collective bargaining negotiations regarding the rights and obligations of a public employer. Takes effect 1/7/2059. (SD1)	LAB, FIN
<u>SB 969</u> (SSCR576) <u>Status</u>	MAKING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT. Makes an emergency appropriation to provide funds for Department of Human Resources Development to pay claims as required under the Hawaii Workers' Compensation Law, chapter 386, Hawaii Revised Statutes.	LAB, FIN
<u>SB 981, SD1</u> (<u>SSCR575)</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO THE HAWAII LABOR RELATIONS BOARD. Allows the Hawaii Labor Relations Board to send written notice of a hearing under the Hawaii occupational safety and health law electronically. Requires the party seeking judicial review to bear the cost of preparing a transcript, except as provided by law, in which case the Board shall bear the cost of preparing the transcript. (SD1)	LAB, JUD, FIN
<u>SB 1236, SD2</u> (<u>SSCR569)</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION. Stipulates that the auditor will contract with a suitable entity to conduct a study of closed claims in the workers' compensation system that includes the study of processing time for closed claims. Extends the deadline for the study to 11/30/2018 and the deadline for the legislative report to twenty days prior to the regular session of 2019. Makes an appropriation for the study. Takes effect 1/7/2059. (SD1)	LAB, FIN
<u>SB 425, SD2</u> (SSCR739) <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO LABOR. Requires certain employers with fifty or more employees to provide sick leave to service workers for specified purposes under certain conditions. Defines the terms "service worker" and "employer". Provides that an employee need not exhaust all family leave benefits prior to using victim leave benefits. Allows parties to a valid collective bargaining contract executed on or after 1/1/2018 to waive the paid sick leave requirement if certain notification requirements are met. Takes effect 1/7/2059. (SD2)	LAB, FIN
<u>SB 675, SD1</u> (SSCR619) <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO EMPLOYMENT. Clarifies the grounds under which an employer may take employment action without committing a discriminatory practice. Takes effect on 1/7/2059. (SD1)	LAB, JUD

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

Persons wishing to offer comments should submit testimony at least <u>24 hours</u> prior to the hearing. Testimony should indicate:



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- Testifier's name with position/title and organization;
- The Committee(s) to which the comments are directed;
- The date and time of the hearing; and
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- WEB: For testimony less than 10MB in size, transmit from <u>http://www.capitol.hawaii.gov/submittestimony.aspx</u>.

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