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CORRECTED NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE:

Tuesday, February 18, 2020

TIME:

2:00 P.M.

PLACE:

Conference Room 309

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

<u>AGENDA</u>

The notice has been corrected to properly reflect the description in HB2543 PROPOSED HD1

HB 2543 Proposed HD1 **Status**

RELATING TO ACCESS TO LEARNING.

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Proposed HD1: Transfers the Executive Office on Early Learning from the Department of Education to the Department of Human Services. Renames the Office as the Learning to Grow Agency. Focuses the jurisdiction of the agency to children who are 3 to 4 years old or will be eligible for kindergarten within 2 years. Establishes the goal of providing all children who are 3 to 4 years old or will be eligible for kindergarten within 2 years with access to learning through an early learning program by the year 2030. Establishes duties of the Department of Human Services regarding child care and early learning. Expands Preschool Open doors program eligibility from 4-year-old children who are 3 to 4 years old or will be eligible for kindergarten within 2 years. Requries annual reporting regarding the revenues and expenditures for the early learning trust fund. Appropriates funds and authorizes positions for the preschool open doors program. Appropriates funds for the Department of Human Services to expand

its information technology system for the purpose of managing data on

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prekindergarten attendance and child care need and to contract for and operate preschool and child care programs. Appropriates funds (HB2543 HD1 PROPOSED)

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Requires the parents or guardians of public school kindergarten students to the disclose information on the child's prior child care program or prekindergarten attendance, if any, for the purpose of determining areas with the highest need for prekindergarten and child care programs. Requires Department of Education to assess kindergarten students. Establishes the preschool open doors trust fund and requires annual reporting. Expands Preschool Open Doors Program eligibility from 4-year-old children to all children who are 3 to 4 years old or will not be at least five years old on or before July 31 of the current school year. Requires annual reporting regarding the revenues and expenditures of the early learning trust fund. Establishes program for Department of Human Services to award grants for preschools. Appropriates funds and authorizes positions for the preschool open doors program. Appropriates funds for the Department of Human Services to expand its information technology system for the purpose of managing information on prekindergarten attendance and child care need and to contract for and operate preschool and child care programs. Establishes the Early Learning Coordinator position within the Office of the Governor. Establishes the goal of providing all children who are 3 to 4 years old, or will not be at least five years old on or before July 31 of the current school year, with enrollment in a preschool program by the year 2030 and assigns that responsibility to the Early Learning Coordinator. Appropriates funds to the Imiloa Astronomy Center for building classrooms for Hawaiian language immersion prekindergarten programs. Appropriates funds for building early learning services classrooms on public library property. Appropriates funds. (HB2543 HD1 PROPOSED)

Copies of the proposed HD1 are available in room 405 and on the Legislature's Web site: http://www.capitol.hawaii.gov.

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:

- 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
- · Measure number.

While every effort will be made to incorporate all testimony received, materials received on the day of the hearing or improperly identified or directed, may be distributed to the Committee after the hearing.

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PAPER: 5 copies (including an original) to Room 304 in the State Capitol;

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WEB: For testimony less than 20MB in size, transmit from http://www.capitol.hawaii.gov/submittestimony.aspx.

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