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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Wednesday, February 2, 2022

TIME: 2:00 p.m.

PLACE: VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE

Conference Room 329

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

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AGENDA

HB 2482 Status

RELATING TO EDUCATION.

CPC, EDN, FIN

Requires public schools and public charter schools to have an employee trained to administer seizure disorder rescue medication. Exempts schools that do not have a student with a seizure disorder. Requires a seizure action plan for every diagnosed student and distribution of the plan to employees charged with supervising the student. Requires all principals, guidance counselors, and teachers to perform self-review of seizure disorder materials annually. Appropriates funds.

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HB 1691 Status RELATING TO COMMERCIAL DRIVER'S LICENSES.

Requires the Department of Transportation to amend its rules, and makes conforming statutory amendments, to lower the minimum age required for a commercial driver's license. Repeals the requirement that a person shall only operate category 3 vehicles to qualify to drive commercially in the State. Repeals the requirement that an application for a commercial driver's license or commercial learner's permit

include intrastate driver certification.

HB 2109 Status RELATING TO THE BARBERING AND COSMETOLOGY LICENSING ACT.

Adds and updates definitions to satisfy current industry practice needs; aligns and remedies inconsistencies between chapters 438 and 439, Hawaii Revised Statutes; removes the five-year license requirement for barber and beauty operator Board of Barbering and Cosmetology member seats; raises fees for penalties and disciplinary actions; and

removes medical clearance requirements.

HB 2176 Status RELATING TO THE STATE TAXATION BOARD OF REVIEW.

Authorizes the members of the State Taxation Board of Review to validate the board's actions with a concurrence of the majority of members who heard the appeal. Clarifies that board meetings are contested case hearings and provides notice requirements. Clarifies the legal and evidentiary framework the board may use in reaching its decisions.

HB 1863 Status RELATING TO LANDLORD-TENANT DISPUTES.

Provides for state-funded access to legal services to residential tenants in actions or proceedings for possession, with full access to each income-eligible tenant available by 7/1/2027. Authorizes attorneys, paralegals, and law students to provide the legal services. Appropriates funds for the judiciary to contract for the legal services.

HB 1861 Status RELATING TO THE RESIDENTIAL LANDLORD-TENANT CODE.

Prohibits a landlord from terminating certain tenancies without just cause. Requires a landlord to provide relocation assistance or waive the last month's rent when terminating a tenancy for no-fault just cause. Restricts how much and how often a landlord may increase an existing tenant's rent. Establishes the Hawaii rent board to oversee annual rent increases and conduct rental arbitrations, mediations, and investigative hearings on reports of wrongful evictions. Establishes a rent stabilization special fund, to be funded by a separate fee assessed on rental units to support the activities of the Hawaii rent board.

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HB 1862 Status

RELATING TO EVICTION RECORDS.

CPC, JHA

Requires that all court records of any eviction proceeding be sealed within specified timeframes upon resolution of the proceeding. Authorizes the court to seal certain eviction records prior to the expiration of these timeframes upon motion by a tenant who is able to demonstrate that certain conditions apply. Requires the clerk of the court to provide access to sealed eviction records to the tenant. Makes it a discriminatory practice to require a person to disclose a sealed eviction record as a condition of certain real property transactions. Prohibits discrimination in real property transactions against a person

with a sealed eviction record.

HB 1895 Status

RELATING TO TENANT RIGHTS.

CPC, JHA

Establishes a penalty for landlord violations of the residential landlordtenant code. Establishes minimum notice requirements for landlords terminating rental agreements. Limits the allowable amount for landlord rent increases annually. Requires landlords to pay tenants when terminating or refusing to renew a rental agreement.

HB 1486 Status

RELATING TO THEFT.

CPC, JHA

Amends the offense of theft in the first degree to specifically include theft of a motor vehicle as defined in section 291C-1, HRS.

HB 1860 Status

RELATING TO CATALYTIC CONVERTERS.

CPC, JHA

Requires licensed used motor vehicle part dealers to keep records of purchases and sales of catalytic converters and requires the sellers to file a written statement that the seller has the lawful right to sell and dispose of the catalytic converter. Establishes the offense of theft of catalytic converter as a class C felony. Increases the penalty for engaging in the business of purchasing or selling used motor vehicle parts and accessories without a license. Requires scrap dealers to keep records of purchases and sales of palladium, platinum, and rhodium. Requires all scrap dealers to pay for palladium, platinum, and rhodium, and used motor vehicle part dealers to pay for catalytic converters, by check.

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

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Rep. Aaron Ling Johanson Chair

