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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Wednesday, February 16, 2022

TIME: 09:30AM

PLACE: VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE

Conference Room 309

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

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AGENDA

HB 1909, HD1 (HSCR207-22)

Status

RELATING TO PROCUREMENT.

GVR, CPC

Requires the state procurement office to give preference to a bank or credit union located in Hawaii to provide services for a purchasing

card program. (HD1)

The following measure(s) were previously heard on 02/04/22 at 09:30am. No public testimony will be accepted.

<u>HB 2419</u> RELATING TO THE CONFIDENTIALITY OF THE AUDITOR'S GVR/LMG, JHA

Status WORK.

Requires the auditor to disclose information, evidence, and requested documents, including working papers, to an investigating committee

after the final audit report has been issued.

HB 2420 RELATING TO AUDITING PRACTICES.

Status Establishes draft audit report requirements. Requires the auditor to

follow best auditing practices and standards when obtaining testimonial evidence and, if recording an interview, to follow certain GVR/LMG, JHA

requirements.

The following measure(s) were previously heard on 02/11/22 at 09:30am. No public testimony will be accepted.

HB 1475 RELATING TO MANDATORY ETHICS TRAINING. GVR, JHA

Status Requires all new state employees to complete ethics training either live

or online within 90 days of the start of employment and every 4 years thereafter. Requires existing employees who have not received ethics training within the immediately preceding 3 years to complete live or online ethics training within 12 months of the Act's effective date and at least once every 4 years thereafter. Specifies that certain state

officers shall complete live ethics training.

HB 2069 RELATING TO GIFTS. GVR, JHA

<u>Status</u> Defines the reporting and disposition requirements for gift received by

members of the legislature or employees of the State.

HB 1871 RELATING TO GIFTS. GVR, JHA

Status Excludes from the State Code of Ethics' prohibition against acceptance

of gifts by legislators and employees, foreign protocol gifts, gifts of aloha, invitations to certain events, and meals, under certain conditions. Defines foreign protocol gifts and gifts of aloha.

HB 2037 RELATING TO THE OFFICE OF INFORMATION PRACTICES. GVR, JHA

Status Requires the Office of Information Practices to resolve open meeting and open record complaints through either a legal determination on

whether a violation occurred or guidance on the relevant legal

requirements.

HB 2026 RELATING TO CHAPTER 92, HAWAII REVISED STATUTES. GVR, JHA

Status Adds definitions for "board business" and "informal gatherings".

Specifies that a board may prepare and circulate amongst members a

statement on a position previously adopted for purposes of submission to the legislature when notice by the legislature is insufficient to interact in any other permitted manner. Outlines when board packets must be available to interested persons. Requires the application of the

sunshine law to all adjudicatory functions concerning land use.

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HB 2303 Status

RELATING TO THE UNIFORM INFORMATION PRACTICES ACT.

GVR, JHA

Clarifies the legislature's intent regarding internal deliberative and predecisional materials of government agencies. Specifies that certain deliberative and pre-decisional materials that are a direct part of a government agency's internal decision-making process are not subject to disclosure if the disclosure of such materials would impair the agency's ability to make sound and fair decisions, but only to the extent

that the impairment outweighs public interest in disclosure.

HB 1897 Status

RELATING TO THE SUNSHINE LAW.

GVR, JHA

Requires all boards to livestream meetings and archive the recordings online. Requires a board to identify each item on its meeting agenda as an item for action or an item for discussion and allow for oral testimony after each agenda item. Amends time frame requirements for the posting of board meeting minutes and board packets. Requires board meeting minutes and board packets to be posted online.

HB 2235 **Status**

RELATING TO INFORMAL MEETINGS.

GVR, JHA

Exempts members of a county council from the limitation on the number of members that may attend an informational meeting or presentation on matters relating to official county council business for purposes of permitted interactions. Clarifies that such meetings shall be meetings that are open to the public.

HB 2505 Status

RELATING TO SUNSHINE LAW BOARDS.

GVR, JHA

Amends Section 1. Act 220, Session Laws of Hawaii 2021, to remove language requiring open meetings to have an in-person location for public access when hosting otherwise entirely remote meetings.

HB 1874 **Status**

RELATING TO BOARDS.

GVR, FIN

Allows a board to conduct up to one retreat in private per calendar year; provided that the board does not vote on any matter, make decisions, or deliberate toward a decision on any matter currently pending before the board or likely to arise before the board.

HB 2025 Status

RELATING TO THE SUNSHINE LAW.

GVR, JHA

Requires that the mandatory disclosure of the names of persons who are physically with a board member attending a public meeting by an online method shall apply only to the disclosure of the names of adults, and not minors, who are physically with the board member.

HB 2136 Status

RELATING TO INTERIM ADMINISTRATIVE RULES OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HAWAIIAN HOME LANDS.

GVR, JHA

Allows the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands after beneficiary consultation and upon approval by the Hawaiian Homes Commission to issue interim rules that shall be exempt from the public notice, public hearing, and gubernatorial approval requirements of chapter 91, Hawaii Revised Statutes. The interim rules shall be effective for not more than eighteen months.

HB 2416 Proposed HD1 Status

RELATING TO CAMPAIGN SPENDING.

GVR, JHA

Proposed HD1: Informs the public of the true sources of dark money contributions by requiring section 501(c)(4) organizations to disclose the name and address of donors who donate an aggregate of more than \$100, with certain exceptions. Adds definitions. (Proposed HD1)

The proposed HD1 is available 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 received after this time will be stamped late and left to the discretion of the chair to consider. 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 not be processed.

Testimony submitted will be placed on the legislative website. This public posting of testimony on the website should be considered when including personal information in your testimony.

The chair may institute a per-testifier time limit.

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For more information, please contact the Committee Clerk at 586-6160

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