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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Thursday, February 2, 2023
TIME: 2 PM
PLACE: VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE
Conference Room 329
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

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A G E N D A

HB 498 Status	RELATING TO THE COUNTIES. Authorizes counties, after adoption of an ordinance, to sell private property after all notices, orders, and appeal proceedings are exhausted and to use those revenues to pay unpaid civil fines related to that property.	CPC, JHA
HB 525 Status	RELATING TO THE UNIFORM COMMERCIAL CODE. Implements amendments to the Uniform Commercial Code set forth by the Uniform Law Commission.	CPC, JHA, FIN
HB 75 Status	RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLE INSURANCE. Increases, in tiers, the minimum amounts of liability insurance coverage required for motor vehicle insurance policies.	CPC, JHA, FIN
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<u>HB 638</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO INSURANCE. Authorizes prescriptions made by chiropractors for physical therapy and therapeutic massage treatment to qualify as a motor vehicle insurance personal injury protection benefit. Replaces the existing cap on the number of chiropractic treatment visits that qualify for motor vehicle insurance coverage with a number of visits that are deemed medically necessary. Amends the reimbursement amount for chiropractic treatment from \$75 per visit to an amount tied to the charges, and any subsequent increases in charges, permissible under the workers' compensation supplemental medical fee schedule. Repeals the thirty-visit cap on combined naturopathic, chiropractic, and acupuncture treatments.	CPC, FIN
<u>HB 537</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO ELECTRONIC SMOKING DEVICES. Establishes a tax equal to seventy per cent of the manufacturer's list price for electronic smoking devices and e-liquid products. Expands the electronic smoking device retailer registration unit to include wholesalers. Requires electronic cigarette wholesalers to register with the electronic smoking device retailer and wholesaler registration unit.	CPC, JHA, FIN
<u>HB 647</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO ALCOHOL. Expands the definition of "beer" under the State's liquor tax and liquor regulatory laws, to specify that the term includes an alcohol by volume of no less than 0.5 per cent and alcohol seltzer beverages, but excludes certain other forms of distillation.	CPC, FIN
<u>HB 660</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS FOR NOT-FOR-PROFIT CORPORATIONS THAT PROVIDE HEALTH CARE FACILITIES TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC. Authorizes the issuance of special purpose revenue bonds to assist Hawaii Pacific Health.	CPC, FIN
<u>HB 642</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO CONSUMER PROTECTION. Requires check cashers to report suspected financial exploitation of elders and vulnerable adults in relation to check cashing. Provides immunity for good faith reporting. Authorizes a check casher to refuse to cash a check in situations of suspected financial exploitation.	CPC, JHA
<u>HB 643</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO DECEPTIVE TRADE PRACTICES. Establishes that charging shipping and delivery charges that exceed the actual cost charged to the seller to ship or deliver a commodity to a consumer in Hawaii constitutes an unfair and deceptive practice.	CPC, JHA
<u>HB 351</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO TAX CREDITS. Establishes a tax credit for certain owners of a condominium whose association is increasing maintenance fees to comply with a county ordinance requiring an automatic fire sprinkler system or alternative fire prevention and fire safety system.	CPC, FIN



[HB 377](#)
[Status](#)

RELATING TO CONDOMINIUM PROXY VOTING.

CPC, JHA

Removes from the standard condominium proxy form the option of giving a proxy vote to the board of directors of a condominium association as a whole. Removes the authority of a board to use association funds to solicit proxies as part of the distribution of proxies.

[HB 646](#)
[Status](#)

RELATING TO CEMETERIES.

CPC, FIN

Repeals the exemption granted to churches by Act 22, Session Laws of Hawaii 2020, relating to bonding requirements and fee requirements for licenses, renewals, and reinstatements of licenses applicable to cemeteries and funeral trusts. Clarifies that the Director of Commerce and Consumer Affairs shall exempt any cemetery authority from the bonding requirement and the fee requirements for license, renewal, and reinstatement upon proof satisfactory to the Director that the cemetery authority does not sell for financial profit. Effective retroactively to 09/15/2020.

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

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Chair

