

THE SENATE
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REGULAR SESSION OF 2023

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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Tuesday, February 7, 2023
TIME: 2:00 PM
PLACE: Conference Room 225 & Videoconference
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street
TIMESLOT: HOU

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A G E N D A

[SB 881](#)

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RELATING TO HOMELESSNESS.

Authorizes the issuance of general obligation bonds to the Hawaii Public Housing Authority for the development and construction of permanent supportive housing for certain vulnerable individuals. Requires the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation to consider any available federal low-income housing tax credits needed for construction of permanent supportive housing units.

HOU/HHS, WAM

[SB 1551](#)

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RELATING TO SUPPORTIVE HOUSING.

Establishes a supportive housing pilot program in the statewide office on homelessness and housing solutions. Appropriates funds and establishes positions.

HOU/HHS, WAM

SB 1617

**Status &
Testimony**

RELATING TO HOMELESSNESS.

Authorizes the Hawaii Public Housing Authority, in consultation with the Department of Human Services and Department of Health, to establish and administer the kauhale program to provide individual or shared housing units and support services to homeless individuals and families who meet the definition of "chronically homeless". Authorizes the Hawaii Public Housing Authority to establish an advisory committee. Requires reports to the Legislature. Exempts existing low-income rental units, tiny home villages, and kauhale from certain provisions of the HRS, consistent with the Governor's 2015 and 2018 proclamations on homelessness. Appropriates funds.

HOU/HHS,
WAM/JDC

Decision Making to follow, if time permits.

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Senator Joy A. San Buenaventura
Chair

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