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COMMITTEE ON HIGHER EDUCATION

Senator Donna Mercado Kim, Chair
Senator Michelle N. Kidani, Vice Chair

NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Thursday, February 9, 2023
TIME: 3:00 PM
PLACE: Conference Room 229 & Videoconference
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

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A G E N D A

SB 1414

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RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII.

HRE, WAM

Exempts the University of Hawaii and the University's Board of Regents from certain provisions of the Hawaii Public Procurement Code involving research and training contracts and grants or research and training revolving funds expended in direct support of research and training contracts and grants. Requires the Board of Regents to develop internal policies and procedures exempt from chapter 103D, Hawaii Revised Statutes, for the procurement of goods and services for research and training contracts and grants and research and training revolving funds expended in support thereof. Authorizes the University of Hawaii President to delegate procurement authority for research and training contracts and grants to the University's Vice President for Research and Innovation. Requires the Board of Regents to submit reports to the Legislature.

SB 1511

[Status & Testimony](#)

RELATING TO THE RESEARCH CORPORATION OF THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII.

HRE, WAM

Clarifies the purpose of the Research Corporation of the University of Hawaii and that its undertakings shall be limited to acts that are reasonably necessary to carry out its purpose. Repeals the requirement that the University of Hawaii contract with the Research Corporation when the University determines that other various agencies cannot more effectively or efficiently accomplish certain research and training activities. Grandfathers existing Research Corporation contracts and requires new contracts be subject to new limitations. Authorizes the Research Corporation to conduct certain minor renovation projects at costs of \$2,000,000 or less. Requires revolving accounts to follow Corporation policies. Requires biannual reports to the Legislature regarding internal service orders and revolving accounts of the Research Corporation that utilize University of Hawaii intramural funds.

SB 1151

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RELATING TO THE HAWAII COMMUNITY COLLEGE PROMISE PROGRAM.

HRE, WAM

Exempts students who are enrolled in certificate programs from the requirement to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid each academic year to be considered eligible for the Hawaii Community College Promise Program.

SB 1598

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RELATING TO WATER TESTING.

HRE, WAM

Appropriates moneys to the department of science of the University of Hawaii Maui College to support water testing on the island of Maui, including supplies and the creation of 2.0 FTE positions.

Decision Making to follow, if time permits.

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Senator Donna Mercado Kim
Chair