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COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

Senator Karl Rhoads, Chair
Senator Mike Gabbard, Vice Chair

NOTICE OF DECISION MAKING

DATE: Tuesday, February 27, 2024
TIME: 10:00 AM
PLACE: Conference Room 016 & Videoconference
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street
TIMESLOT: JDC

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A G E N D A

The following measure(s) were previously heard in their respective subject matter committees:

<u>SB 3043, SD1</u> (SSCR2286) Status & Testimony	RELATING TO THE SMALL BUSINESS REGULATORY REVIEW BOARD. Clarifies that the Small Business Regulatory Review Board has the authority to review legislation affecting small businesses in response to a request from small business owners. (SD1)	EET, JDC
<u>SB 3026</u> (SSCR2545) Status & Testimony	RELATING TO PESTICIDES. Replaces representatives from the sugar and pineapple industries with representatives of the coffee and diversified agriculture industries.	AEN, JDC
<u>SB 3025</u> (SSCR2542) Status & Testimony	RELATING TO HEMP. Repeals the requirement for additional rules by the Department of Agriculture to address nuisance issues, including smell, noise, and excessive lighting arising out of the activities of hemp growers. Clarifies that the Department of Agriculture will not require testing or sampling of hemp that duplicates testing and sampling required by the United States Department of Agriculture, but retain the authority to enforce other applicable state laws, such as Hawaii Pesticides Law.	AEN, JDC

SB 3016, SD1 (SSCR2202) Status & Testimony	RELATING TO THE HAWAIIAN FLAG. Allows all United States military reservations and military training facilities in the State to display the Hawaiian flag. (SD1)	PSM/HWN, JDC
SB 2997, SD1 (SSCR2725) Status & Testimony	RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES. Requires each electric utility to have a risk-based wildfire protection plan, which shall be filed with and approved by the Public Utilities Commission. (SD1)	CPN, JDC
SB 2992, SD1 (SSCR2474) Status & Testimony	RELATING TO MENTAL HEALTH. Beginning 7/1/2025, and every ten years thereafter, requires the Department of Health to convene an Advisory Committee on Mental Health Code Review. (SD1)	HHS, JDC
SB 2983, SD1 (SSCR2246) Status & Testimony	RELATING TO SOLICITATION OF FUNDS FROM THE PUBLIC. Regulates charitable fundraising platforms and activities of platform charities during declared federal disasters. Includes provisions relating to the misuse of funds. Imposes vicarious liability upon a platform charity for a charitable fundraising platform's misuse of funds, and vice versa. Exempts national disaster charitable organizations from its provisions. Takes effect 1/1/2042. (SD1)	PSM/CPN, JDC
SB 2977 (SSCR2245) Status & Testimony	RELATING TO UNLICENSED CONTRACTORS. Makes it unlawful for an unlicensed contractor to offer or perform repairs or improvements to a residential or nonresidential structure or property, or add to or subtract from grounds in connection with the structure or property, for damage or destruction caused by a natural disaster for which a state of emergency or disaster is proclaimed by the Governor. Requires violations to be punished by a fine of not more than \$10,000, imprisonment up to one year, or both, in addition to all other remedies or penalties.	PSM/CPN, JDC
SB 2960, SD1 (SSCR2260) Status & Testimony	RELATING TO FARMERS. Requires that lessees and purchasers of farm lots and ranch lots use that land for farming and producing food. Authorizes agricultural cooperatives to apply for farmlands. Takes effect 7/1/2050. (SD1)	WTL/AEN, JDC
SB 2948, SD1 (SSCR2698) Status & Testimony	RELATING TO HOUSING. Authorizes residential uses in areas zoned for commercial to be considered permitted as long as the residential use is limited by ordinance to floors above the ground floor of a building or structure and development standards are met. Exempts areas zoned under the Hawaii Community Development Authority. Requires each county to adopt ordinances that allow for adaptive reuse of existing commercial buildings in the county's building codes. Requires counties to facilitate compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act when adopting an adaptive reuse building code ordinance. Takes effect 7/1/2112. (SD1)	GVO/WTL, JDC

<p><u>SB 2945, SD1</u> <u>(SSCR2349)</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u></p>	<p>RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION. Establishes a Task Force to conduct a statewide study on the accessibility of ignition interlock devices and any national best practices. (SD1)</p>	<p>TCA, JDC</p>
<p><u>SB 2937</u> <u>(SSCR2332)</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u></p>	<p>RELATING TO ACCESS TO LEARNING. Repeals the sunset date for the exemption of laboratory school programs of the Hawaiian language college at the University of Hawaii at Hilo from state English-medium standards, assessments, performance ratings, staff qualifications, and staff training requirements.</p>	<p>EDU, JDC</p>
<p><u>SB 2859, SD1</u> <u>(SSCR2659)</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u></p>	<p>RELATING TO LAND COURT. Authorizes the use of a master certificate of title for new common interest communities to simplify and streamline the operation of the land court. Takes effect 7/1/2050. (SD1)</p>	<p>WTL/CPN, JDC</p>
<p><u>SB 2845, SD1</u> <u>(SSCR2653)</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u></p>	<p>RELATING TO FIREARMS. Prohibits a person from selling ammunition to a person under the age of twenty-one. Prohibits a person under the age of twenty-one from owning, possessing, or controlling ammunition, with exceptions. (SD1)</p>	<p>PSM, JDC</p>
<p><u>SB 2832, SD1</u> <u>(SSCR2668)</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u></p>	<p>RELATING TO THE TRAFFIC CODE. Specifies that the counties may issue traffic infractions for violations of any law prohibiting or restricting the stopping, standing, or parking of vehicles on all highways. Authorizes stopping, standing, and parking restrictions and prohibitions on property under jurisdiction of the Director of Transportation and the counties, respectively. Takes effect 1/1/2050. (SD1)</p>	<p>TCA/PSM, JDC</p>
<p><u>SB 2819, SD1</u> <u>(SSCR2345)</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u></p>	<p>RELATING TO TRAFFIC SAFETY. Requires slow-moving vehicles on a two-lane highway, behind which five vehicles are formed in a line, to pull over where possible to let the trailing vehicles proceed when passing is unsafe. Takes effect 1/1/2050. (SD1)</p>	<p>TCA, JDC</p>
<p><u>SB 2759, SD1</u> <u>(SSCR2330)</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u></p>	<p>RELATING TO LAND LEASES. Prohibits the State from leasing any public lands, or extending the lease of any public lands, to any individual, corporation, or federal agency that is in arrears in the payment of certain moneys to the State, noncompliant with a consent decree or memoranda of agreement with the State that requires environmental maintenance or remediation with regard to the subject public lands, or convicted of a crime. Requires certification by the Office of the Governor before the issuance or extension of any federal lease that the individual, corporation, or federal agency is in good standing with the State. Provides that, if any existing lessee of public lands is found not to be in good standing with the State as of the effective date of this Act, the lessee shall have three years, or until the end of the lease term, whichever is sooner, to correct the violation or the lease shall be terminated. Takes effect 7/1/2050. (SD1)</p>	<p>WTL, JDC</p>

<u>SB 2753</u> <u>(SSCR2588)</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u>	RELATING TO BUILDING CODES. Clarifies that no state or county building code shall prohibit the use of a substitute refrigerant allowed by the Environmental Protection Agency if the applicable equipment is listed and installed in compliance with the latest safety standards.	GVO/AEN, JDC
<u>SB 2735</u> <u>(SSCR2354)</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u>	RELATING TO DRIVER LICENSING. Requires driver's license examination to test the applicant's knowledge of the dangers that larger motor vehicles present to pedestrians. Requires offenders who are found to be excessively speeding or driving while intoxicated to retake and pass their driver's license examination for each offense.	TCA, JDC
<u>SB 2721, SD1</u> <u>(SSCR2658)</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u>	RELATING TO OCEAN RECREATION. Clarifies that violation of part I of chapter 200, HRS, relating to ocean recreation and coastal areas, or any rules adopted thereunder shall be subject to criminal penalties. Takes effect 7/1/2050. (SD1)	WTL, JDC
<u>SB 2697, SD1</u> <u>(SSCR2396)</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u>	RELATING TO PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE. Requires the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs to revoke the licenses of architects who have been, or caused a government employee to be, convicted of a criminal offense involving the acceptance of a bribe. Takes effect 7/1/2040. (SD1)	CPN, JDC
<u>SB 2637, SD1</u> <u>(SSCR2710)</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u>	RELATING TO PUBLIC AGENCY MEETINGS. Require the third meeting of a board to deliberate and act on a matter investigated by a group of its members to be held at least six days after the second meeting. (SD1)	GVO, JDC
<u>SB 2631</u> <u>(SSCR2665)</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u>	RELATING TO ARREST PHOTOGRAPHS. Prohibits commercial website operators from publishing mugshots. Establishes exemptions.	CPN, JDC
<u>SB 2630, SD1</u> <u>(SSCR2348)</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u>	RELATING TO PEDESTRIANS. Authorizes pedestrians to act contrary to the statewide traffic code when a reasonably careful pedestrian would determine that there is no immediate danger of a collision with a moving vehicle. Requires that any person that drives a motor vehicle greater than the speed limit be fined not less than \$100. Takes effect 1/1/2050. (SD1)	TCA, JDC
<u>SB 2597</u> <u>(SSCR2504)</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u>	RELATING TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS. Clarifies that the prohibition against board and commission holdover members from holding office beyond the end of the second regular legislative session following the expiration of the member's term of office takes precedence over any conflicting statutes.	GVO, JDC

Decision making meeting only, no oral testimony will be accepted.

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FOR AMENDED NOTICES: Measures that have been deleted are stricken through and measures that have been added are underscored. If a measure is both underscored and stricken through, that measure has been deleted from the agenda.

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Senator Karl Rhoads
Chair