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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Tuesday, February 13, 2024
TIME: 1:00 PM
PLACE: Conference Room 224 & Videoconference
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street
TIMESLOT: HWN

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A G E N D A

[SB 3123](#)

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RELATING TO ACCESS TO VITAL RECORDS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HAWAIIAN HOME LANDS.
Authorizes the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands to access vital records for purposes of verifying Native Hawaiian ancestry for beneficiary programs. Requires the Department of Health and the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement to assure appropriate access and handling of confidential records and sealed records that have been unsealed pursuant to court order.

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[SB 263](#)

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RELATING TO THE STATE COUNCIL ON MENTAL HEALTH.
Requires the state council on mental health to include an unspecified number of members with demonstrated knowledge of or work experience involving native Hawaiian health practices. Requires council members to receive annual training on topics related to native Hawaiian healing and health.

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Decision Making to follow, if time permits.

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Senator Joy A. San Buenaventura
Chair

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