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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Wednesday, April 8, 2026
TIME: 2:00 PM
PLACE: VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE
 Conference Room 325
 State Capitol
 415 South Beretania Street

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A G E N D A

[SB 2253, SD2, HD1](#)
[\(HSCR1475-26\)](#)
[Status](#)

RELATING TO HIGHWAY SAFETY.
Amends the offense of negligent injury in the first degree to include injuries negligently inflicted by intoxicated drivers. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)

TRN, JHA

[SB 2429, SD1, HD1](#)
[\(HSCR1478-26\)](#)
[Status](#)

RELATING TO TRAFFIC SAFETY.
Establishes a framework for the use of intelligent speed assistance technology for habitual speeders. Establishes liability for a manufacturer, distributor, or retailer regarding the design, manufacture, installation, or repair of an aftermarket intelligent speed assistance system. Requires a report to the Legislature. Allows for probation for persons who are charged with excessive speeding. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)

TRN, JHA



SB 2697, SD1, HD1 (HSCR1331-26) Status	<p>RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION.</p> <p>Prohibits vehicles from driving on the shoulder of a roadway, except in certain circumstances. Authorizes the Department of Transportation, law enforcement officers, and other approved persons to impound vehicles with expired registrations of three years or more, under certain conditions. Requires an annual report to the Legislature. Increases the fine amount for owners of out-of-state motor vehicles who fail to register the vehicle in the State. Establishes minimum and maximum statutory penalties for violations relating to the use of high occupancy vehicle lanes. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	<p>TRN, JHA</p>
SB 2852, SD1, HD1 (HSCR1482-26) Status	<p>RELATING TO CIVIL RIGHTS.</p> <p>Requires the Hawaii Civil Rights Commission to adopt rules on digital accessibility for places of public accommodations that are consistent with certain federal regulations. Specifies that a violation of the rules is an unlawful discriminatory practice. Establishes it as an unlawful discriminatory practice for a place of public accommodation to deny a person with a disability full and equal enjoyment of information related to their goods, services, facilities, privileges, advantages, or accommodations by requiring the use of information and communication technology that is not accessible to the person with a disability. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	<p>CPC, JHA</p>
SB 2471, SD2, HD1 (HSCR1485-26) Status	<p>RELATING TO THE POWERS OF ARTIFICIAL PERSONS.</p> <p>Reaffirms that artificial persons created under state law possess only those powers that are necessary or convenient to carry out lawful purposes, and that those powers do not include the power to spend money or contribute anything of value to influence elections or ballot measures. Revokes all prior grants of entity powers and regrants only those powers that the State determines to be necessary or convenient to conduct lawful business under the Hawaii State Constitution and laws of this State. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	<p>CPC, JHA</p>
SB 2568, SD1, HD1 (HSCR1468-26) Status	<p>RELATING TO OFFENSES AGAINST PUBLIC SERVANTS.</p> <p>Elevates the offense of harassment to a misdemeanor when committed against a public servant because of or during their performance of official duties. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	<p>LAB, JHA</p>
SB 2151, SD2, HD1 (HSCR1563-26) Status	<p>RELATING TO EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT.</p> <p>Clarifies state and local authority during a state or local state of emergency. Defines "catastrophic harm" and "severe weather warning". Amends the definitions of "disaster" and "emergency" under chapter 127A, HRS. Allows the Legislature to terminate a state of emergency and county councils to terminate a local state of emergency. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	<p>PBS, JHA</p>
SB 3083, SD2, HD1 (HSCR1323-26) Status	<p>RELATING TO PROTECTIVE ORDERS.</p> <p>Requires notification to the security forces of each branch of the military when a protective order is issued in a case involving a military-affiliated individual. Requires the Judiciary, Department of Law Enforcement, and county police departments to establish certain policies and procedures. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	<p>PBS, JHA</p>



[SB 709, SD2, HD1](#)
[\(HSCR1432-26\)](#)
[Status](#)

RELATING TO MENTAL HEALTH.

HSH/HLT, JHA

Requires the Department of Health to respond to reports of persons with severe mental illness who need assistance, assess whether they meet criteria for assisted community treatment, and coordinate the assisted community treatment order process when appropriate. Provides that denial of a petition for involuntary commitment serves as notice to DOH to evaluate the individual for assisted community treatment. Requires the Director of Law Enforcement to adopt rules establishing training and certification standards and procedures for crisis intervention officers. Requires the Department of Health to approve the content of such training. Clarifies the scope of treatment permitted under assisted community treatment orders. Requires the Department of the Attorney General to assist with the preparation, filing, and presentation of requests for a court or administrative order to provide treatment over a patient's objection. Effective 12/31/2050. (HD1)

DECISION MAKING

The following measure was previously heard on **Wednesday, March 18, 2026 at 2:00 p.m.** No public testimony will be accepted.

[SB 3142, SD2](#)
[\(SSCR3090\)](#)
[Status](#)

RELATING TO DANGEROUS INTOXICATION.

JHA

Establishes the offenses of dangerous intoxication and habitual dangerous intoxication. Provides for civil protective custody and transport for emergency examination under section 334-45, HRS, in lieu of arrest for dangerous intoxication in specified circumstances, and bars prosecution when civil protective custody is used. Requires probation with mandatory treatment for habitual dangerous intoxication, with incarceration only upon probation violation. Makes conforming amendments to chapter 334, HRS. Effective 1/30/2050. Implementation effective 7/1/2036. (SD2)

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

Persons wishing to offer comments should submit testimony at least **24 hours** prior to the hearing. Testimony received after this time will be stamped late and left to the discretion of the chair to consider. While every effort will be made to incorporate all testimony received, materials received on the day of the hearing or improperly identified or directed, may not be processed.

Testimony submitted will be placed on the legislative website. This public posting of testimony on the website should be considered when including personal information in your testimony.

The chair may institute a per-testifier time limit.

Committees meeting in the morning must adjourn prior to the day's Floor Session. Therefore, due to time constraints, not all testifiers may be provided an opportunity to offer verbal comments. However, written submissions will be considered by the committee.

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Rep. David A. Tarnas
Chair

