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COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Senator Joy A. San Buenaventura, Chair
Senator Angus L.K. McKelvey, Vice Chair

NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Monday, February 2, 2026
TIME: 1:05 PM
PLACE: Conference Room 225 & Videoconference
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

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RELATING TO HEALTH INSURANCE.

HHS, CPN/WAM

Establishes a three-year Health Coverage Continuity Pilot Program within the Department of Human Services, in consultation with the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs, to assist individuals who have lost Medicaid health insurance coverage and lack access to other health insurance options. Authorizes the Department of Human Services to contract with a nonprofit health insurer or community-based organization to operate the Pilot Program; provided that the Department shall allow the operator to access state-backed reinsurance or risk stabilization support for the operator of the Pilot Program. Authorizes the Department of Human Services to: (1) Issue premium subsidies or vouchers; and (2) Accept employer contributions; provided that the benefit shall be portable and follow the individual without imposing compliance or administrative obligations on the State or an employer. Requires reports to the Legislature. Repeals 6/30/2029.

SB 2089	RELATING TO MENTAL HEALTH. Expands the services eligible for Medicaid Prospective Payment System reimbursement to include certain services furnished by a federally qualified health center or rural health clinic and provided by mental health professionals under the clinical supervision of a licensed mental health professional. Requires the Department of Human Services to adopt rules to allow medical assistance reimbursement payments for services provided to recipients eligible for Medicaid benefits under any plan under Medicaid managed care programs in the State by unlicensed mental health professionals under the clinical supervision of a licensed mental health professional. Requires the Department of Human Services to seek necessary waivers and any additional approvals from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.	HHS, WAM
SB 2106	RELATING TO HEALTH. Prohibits the sale of nonprescription diet pills and dietary supplements for weight loss or muscle building to any person under eighteen years of age. Requires retail establishments and delivery sellers to follow certain protocols regarding certain products to prevent access by minors to the restricted products.	HHS, CPN
SB 2108	RELATING TO JURISDICTION. Amends the factors a family court is required to consider in deciding whether the court may waive jurisdiction over a minor or adult held for criminal proceedings. Preserves the family court's jurisdiction over a minor transferred for criminal proceedings for subsequent acts that would otherwise be within the family court's jurisdiction. Requires the court to retain jurisdiction over a minor if the court finds by clear and convincing evidence that the minor was trafficked, sexually abused, or raped by the alleged victim in the case before or during the commission of the alleged offense.	HHS, JDC
SB 2111	RELATING TO LICENSURE. Requires marriage and family therapists, mental health counselors, psychologists, and clinical social workers to complete courses related to domestic violence for licensure and renewals.	HHS, CPN
SB 2047	RELATING TO PHARMACY BENEFIT MANAGERS. Establishes requirements for pharmacy benefit managers that reimburse contracting pharmacies for drugs on a maximum allowable cost basis, including maximum allowable cost lists, and maximum allowable cost reports, and complaints process.	HHS, CPN
SB 847	RELATING TO PSYCHOLOGISTS. Allows qualified psychologists limited authority to prescribe psychotropic medications to patients under the care of the psychologist in certain circumstances.	HHS, CPN
SB 2861	RELATING TO THE OFFICE OF WELLNESS AND RESILIENCE. Establishes within the Office of Wellness and Resilience the Kakou Pilot Program to support families and children in need. Expands eligibility for the \$50 benefit established by Act 127, Session Laws of Hawaii 2022, to include families ineligible for state Medicaid benefits.	HHS, WAM

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RELATING TO THE WEST HAWAII REGIONAL HEALTH CARE HHS, WAM SYSTEM.

Appropriates funds for the planning, design, site work, and construction of a new outpatient care center in North Kona.

Decision Making to follow, if time permits.

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Senator Joy A. San Buenaventura
Chair