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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, March 30, 2026
TIME: 1:07 PM
PLACE: Conference Room 225 & Videoconference
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

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A G E N D A

<u>SCR 30</u> Status & Testimony	REQUESTING THE AUDITOR TO ASSESS THE SOCIAL AND FINANCIAL EFFECTS OF MANDATING HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR BRIEF COGNITIVE ASSESSMENTS FOR INDIVIDUALS FIFTY YEARS OF AGE AND OLDER.	HHS, WAM
<u>SCR 35 / SR 34</u> Status & Testimony / Status & Testimony	REQUESTING THE AUDITOR TO ASSESS BOTH SOCIAL AND FINANCIAL EFFECTS OF PROPOSED MANDATED HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR THE DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT OF AUTISM AND FOR APPLIED BEHAVIORAL ANALYSIS SERVICES.	HHS, WAM
<u>SCR 18</u> Status & Testimony	REQUESTING THE AUDITOR TO ASSESS THE SOCIAL AND FINANCIAL EFFECTS OF PROPOSED MANDATED HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR INTRAVENOUS KETAMINE THERAPY TO TREAT DEPRESSION.	HHS, WAM
<u>SCR 76</u> Status & Testimony	REQUESTING THE AUDITOR TO ASSESS THE SOCIAL AND FINANCIAL EFFECTS OF MANDATORY HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR BIOMARKER TESTING.	HHS, WAM

<p>SCR 51 Status & Testimony</p>	<p>REQUESTING THE AUDITOR TO ASSESS THE SOCIAL AND FINANCIAL EFFECTS OF REQUIRING HEALTH INSURERS TO PROVIDE COVERAGE FOR MEDICALLY NECESSARY PROTON BEAM THERAPY FOR CANCER TREATMENT.</p>	<p>HHS, WAM</p>
<p>SCR 150 / SR 141 Status & Testimony / Status & Testimony</p>	<p>REQUESTING THE GOVERNOR TO OBTAIN A CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE EXEMPTION FROM THE DRUG ENFORCEMENT ADMINISTRATION FOR REGISTERED MEDICAL CANNABIS PATIENTS AND REGISTRATION WAIVERS FOR STATE-LICENSED DISPENSARIES.</p>	<p>HHS, JDC</p>
<p>SCR 119 / SR 112 Status & Testimony / Status & Testimony</p>	<p>REQUESTING THE HAWAII STATE CENTER FOR NURSING TO CONDUCT A STUDY COMPILING RECOMMENDED SAFE PATIENT STAFFING RATIOS.</p>	<p>HHS</p>
<p>SCR 149 Status & Testimony</p>	<p>REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO ESTABLISH AN INFORMAL WORKING GROUP TO ASSESS THE SERVICES AND FUNDING NECESSARY TO ADDRESS THE NEEDS OF COMPLEX PATIENTS WHO HAVE AT LEAST TWO OR MORE DIAGNOSES THAT INCLUDE SUBSTANCE USE DISORDERS, MENTAL HEALTH DISORDERS, OR CHRONIC PHYSICAL ILLNESSES.</p>	<p>HHS</p>
<p>SCR 63 / SR 57 Status & Testimony / Status & Testimony</p>	<p>REQUESTING THE DISABILITY AND COMMUNICATION ACCESS BOARD TO STUDY THE HEALTH CARE SETTING COMMUNICATION NEEDS OF, AND DEVELOP GUIDELINES FOR, INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE DEAF, HARD OF HEARING, OR DEAF-BLIND.</p>	<p>HHS</p>
<p>SCR 75 / SR 69 Status & Testimony / Status & Testimony</p>	<p>REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO LEAD THE STATEWIDE COORDINATION OF SERVICES AND SUPPORTS FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH FETAL ALCOHOL SPECTRUM DISORDERS.</p>	<p>HHS</p>
<p>SCR 21 / SR 18 Status & Testimony / Status & Testimony</p>	<p>REQUESTING THE HAWAI'I HEALTH SYSTEMS CORPORATION'S EAST HAWAI'I REGIONAL HEALTH CARE SYSTEM TO CONDUCT A FEASIBILITY STUDY ON ESTABLISHING A RURAL HEALTH CLINIC OR COMPARABLE RURAL HEALTH ACCESS POINT TO SERVE THE VOLCANO COMMUNITY.</p>	<p>HHS</p>

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AFFIRMING AND SUPPORTING THE REQUIREMENT THAT HOSPITALS PROVIDE LIFE-SAVING EMERGENCY CARE TO PREGNANT PEOPLE, INCLUDING REPRODUCTIVE AND ABORTION SERVICES, WHEN SUCH CARE IS MEDICALLY NECESSARY TO STABILIZE A PATIENT UNDER THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL TREATMENT AND ACTIVE LABOR ACT.

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URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO COORDINATE THE STOCKPILING OF A THREE-YEAR SUPPLY OF MIFEPRISTONE.

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[SCR 27 / SR 24](#)

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URGING MAUI HEALTH TO COLLABORATE WITH STAKEHOLDERS TO ESTABLISH A FULL-TIME MEDICAL RESIDENCY PROGRAM ON THE ISLAND OF MAUI.

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Senator Joy A. San Buenaventura
Chair