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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Wednesday, February 18, 2026
TIME: 10:00 am
PLACE: VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE
Conference Room 329
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

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A G E N D A

[HB 1864](#)
[Status](#)

RELATING TO INSURANCE.
For policies, contracts, plans, and agreements issued or renewed after 12/31/2026, requires insurers, mutual benefit societies, and health maintenance organizations to provide coverage for standard fertility preservation services for persons undergoing medically necessary treatment that may cause iatrogenic infertility.

HLT, CPC

[HB 2305](#)
[Status](#)

RELATING TO PHYSICIAN CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION.
Requires nutrition and metabolic education as part of the physician continuing medical education requirements.

HLT, CPC



<u>HB 1597, HD1</u> <u>(HSCR125-26)</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE AND RELATED DEMENTIAS RESEARCH. Establishes and appropriates funds for an Alzheimer's Disease and Related Dementias Research Center at the University of Hawaii, to be administratively affiliated with the University of Hawaii John A. Burns School of Medicine, including the establishment of full-time positions. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	HED, HLT, FIN
<u>HB 2159, HD1</u> <u>(HSCR136-26)</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO HEALTH CARE WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT. Establishes positions and appropriates funds to the University of Hawaii to support health care workforce development in the State. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	HED, HLT, FIN
<u>HB 2121, HD1</u> <u>(HSCR27-26)</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO WASTE MANAGEMENT. Beginning 1/1/2027, prohibits the sale, offer for sale, or distribution for sale of any disposable electronic smoking devices in the State. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	EEP, HLT, CPC
<u>HB 1913, HD1</u> <u>(HSCR44-26)</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO VETERAN MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES. Establishes within the Office of Veterans' Services a mental health coordinator position at Tripler Army Medical Center. Provides that the mental health coordinator is appointed by and reports directly to the Director of the Office of Veterans' Services. Appropriates moneys. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	PBS, HLT, FIN

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

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Rep. Gregg Takayama
Chair

