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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Friday, March 20, 2026  
TIME: 09:30 am  
PLACE: VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE  
Conference Room 329  
State Capitol  
415 South Beretania Street

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A G E N D A

[SB 847, SD2](#)  
[\(SSCR2909\)](#)  
[Status](#)

RELATING TO PSYCHOLOGISTS.  
Establishes a pilot program in the County of Kauai to allow qualified psychologists limited authority to prescribe psychotropic medications to patients under the care of the psychologist in certain circumstances. Requires the Board of Psychology to adopt rules. Requires the State Health Planning and Development Agency to report to the Legislature. (SD2)

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[SB 2271, SD1](#)  
[\(SSCR2848\)](#)  
[Status](#)

RELATING TO HOSPITAL LICENSING.  
Requires the Department of Health to adopt rules to allow hospitals to demonstrate compliance with all licensing inspections required by the State through accreditation or certification by any accreditation or certification organization approved by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. Effective 7/1/2050. (SD1)

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<a href="#">SB 2272, SD1</a> <a href="#">(SSCR2849)</a> <a href="#">Status</a>	<p>RELATING TO HOME HEALTH LICENSING.</p> <p>Authorizes the Department of Health to accept accreditation from an accreditation organization or a certification organization approved by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services as demonstration that a licensed home health agency is in compliance with all licensing inspections required by the State. Specifies conditions under which a home health agency may be exempt from a licensing inspection on a continuing basis. Requires information obtained in reports of survey and accreditation or certification letters to be public information. Effective 7/1/2050. (SD1)</p>	<p>HLT, CPC</p>
<a href="#">SB 3137, SD1</a> <a href="#">(SSCR2763)</a> <a href="#">Status</a>	<p>RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH'S AUTHORITY TO REGULATE FOOD, DRUGS, AND COSMETICS.</p> <p>Removes duplicative food-related statutory material and aligns all food-related provisions under chapter 328, HRS. Ensures adequate statutory authority for permits, fees, inspections, and enforcement. Makes conforming amends. (SD1)</p>	<p>HLT, CPC</p>
<a href="#">SB 2261, SD1</a> <a href="#">(SSCR2860)</a> <a href="#">Status</a>	<p>RELATING TO HEALTH.</p> <p>Requires Huli Au Ola to conduct a study on physician and dentist recruitment and retention to serve the island of Molokai. Requires a report to the Legislature. Appropriates funds. (SD1)</p>	<p>HLT, FIN</p>
<a href="#">SB 3132, SD1</a> <a href="#">(SSCR3039)</a> <a href="#">Status</a>	<p>RELATING TO SYNDROMIC SURVEILLANCE.</p> <p>Requires hospitals with emergency departments that are licensed in the State to submit syndromic surveillance data to the Department of Health. Authorizes the Department of Health to establish by administrative rules a syndromic surveillance system under state jurisdiction that is independent of federal systems. (SD1)</p>	<p>HLT, CPC</p>
<a href="#">SB 3199, SD1</a> <a href="#">(SSCR2856)</a> <a href="#">Status</a>	<p>RELATING TO MENTAL HEALTH.</p> <p>Establishes the Mental Health Emerging Therapies Task Force to prepare the State for the integration of breakthrough therapies, expansion of pathways for clinical trials and clinical research, and development of policy recommendations for safe, ethical, and culturally informed implementation of emerging therapies. Requires reports to the Legislature. Sunsets 6/30/2028. Effective 1/30/2050. (SD1)</p>	<p>HLT, FIN</p>
<a href="#">SB 2591, SD1</a> <a href="#">(SSCR3042)</a> <a href="#">Status</a>	<p>RELATING TO NOISE.</p> <p>Establishes a two-year pilot project to prohibit the operation of privately owned and operated refuse collection vehicles before 6:00 a.m. and after 6:00 p.m. within 500 hundred feet of any area zoned for mixed-use or residential apartment use within the Waikiki area of the City and County of Honolulu. Effective 1/30/2050. Sunsets 6/30/2028. (SD1)</p>	<p>HLT, JHA</p>
<a href="#">SB 2804, SD1</a> <a href="#">(SSCR2896)</a> <a href="#">Status</a>	<p>RELATING TO COMMERCE.</p> <p>Prohibits acquiring and holding stocks and other interests if the acquisition and holding lessens access to health care or increases insurance rates. Effective 1/30/2050. (SD1)</p>	<p>HLT, CPC</p>

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW



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Rep. Gregg Takayama  
Chair

