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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE:

Monday, March 23, 2015

TIME:

2:00 p.m.

PLACE:

Conference Room 325

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

<u>AGENDA</u>

SB 1338, SD2 (SSCR698) Status RELATING TO THE HAWAII HEALTH CONNECTOR.

Enables the Hawaii health connector to offer large group coverage to insurers. Expands the potential small businesses market in the connector by amending the current definition of "small employer" under section 431:2-201.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes. Beginning January 1, 2016, ends transitional renewal policies in Hawaii. Requires health insurers to provide notice to group health plans offering continuation coverage about options to secure affordable coverage under the connector. Effective July 1, 2020. (SD1)

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SB 1028, SD2 (SSCR889) Status

RELATING TO THE HAWAII HEALTH CONNECTOR.

Aligns state law with certain provisions of the Affordable Care Act by requiring qualified health plans in the connector to contract with federally-qualified health centers and utilize payment methodology as specified in the federal Social Security Act. Retains current financial and service benefits of the Hawaii health connector. Enhances the availability of services through the connector. Authorizes the State of Hawaii to guarantee debentures issued by the connector. Specifies thatthe Director of Finance, pursuant to an act of the Legislature, may use the emergency and budget reserve fund to guarantee, approve, and oversee the issuance of the debentures by the connector. Effective 07/01/2050. (SD2)

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