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COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

Senator Jill N. Tokuda, Chair  
Senator Ronald D. Kouchi, Vice Chair

NOTICE OF DECISION MAKING

DATE: Friday, February 27, 2015  
TIME: 9:00 AM  
PLACE: Conference Room 211  
State Capitol  
415 South Beretania Street

A G E N D A

The following measures were previously heard in their respective standing committees:

<a href="#"><u>SB 100, SD1</u></a> <a href="#"><u>(SSCR1)</u></a> <a href="#"><u>Status &amp; Testimony</u></a>	RELATING TO APPROPRIATIONS. Corrects a statement in the 2014 Act that reduced the appropriation for the joint investment study of the employees' retirement system and Hawaii employer-union health benefits trust fund. Takes effect on 1/7/2059. (SD1)	JDL, WAM
<a href="#"><u>SB 1361, SD1</u></a> <a href="#"><u>(SSCR461)</u></a> <a href="#"><u>Status &amp; Testimony</u></a>	RELATING TO BUDGETING. Requires "position ceilings" to be included in the executive budget and related documents. Requires a "position ceiling" to separately identify the maximum number of permanent and temporary positions authorized in the executive budget. Prohibits the expenditure of funds on positions exceeding the applicable ceiling, with certain exceptions. States intent that the provisions also apply to the judiciary budget by operation of existing law. Effective date January 7, 2059. (SD1)	JDL, WAM
<a href="#"><u>SB 248, SD1</u></a> <a href="#"><u>(SSCR160)</u></a> <a href="#"><u>Status &amp; Testimony</u></a>	RELATING TO TRUST FUNDS. Requires the expenditure of trust funds for the compensation, including fringe benefits, of public employees and contracts for services to be subject to appropriation and allotment. Effective 01/07/2059. (SD1)	JDL, WAM
<a href="#"><u>SB 158, SD1</u></a> <a href="#"><u>(SSCR7)</u></a> <a href="#"><u>Status &amp; Testimony</u></a>	RELATING TO THE BUDGET DOCUMENTS. Requires the six-year program and financial plan and budget to include information on pension and other post-employment benefit liabilities. Effective 01/07/2059. (SD1)	JDL, WAM
<a href="#"><u>SB 249, SD1</u></a> <a href="#"><u>(SSCR6)</u></a> <a href="#"><u>Status &amp; Testimony</u></a>	RELATING TO EMPLOYER-UNION HEALTH BENEFITS. Beginning with fiscal year 2016-2017, requires reimbursements from a non-general or federal fund to the general fund for the annual required contribution made for state employees and retirees whose compensation is or was paid from the non-general or federal fund. Effective 01/07/2059. (SD1)	JDL, WAM



<p><b><a href="#">SB 133, SD1</a></b>  <a href="#">(SSCR2)</a>  <a href="#">Status &amp; Testimony</a></p>	<p>RELATING TO THE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM.  Allows the court to decree a forfeiture by the member, former member, or retirant of all or a portion of any interest, hypothetical account balance (in excess of the amount representing any employee contributions made by or on behalf of the member, former member, or retirant), pension, annuity, or retirement allowance that the member, former member, or retirant may otherwise be entitled to if a member, former member, or retirant is convicted of a felony and the court finds that the felony is related to the employment of the member, former member, or retirant by the State or any county. Requires the employees' retirement system to comply with the court order and suspend or deny payment to the member, former member, or retirant as provided in the order. Effective date 1/7/59. (SD1)</p>	<p>JDL, WAM</p>
<p><b><a href="#">SB 1324, SD1</a></b>  <a href="#">(SSCR462)</a>  <a href="#">Status &amp; Testimony</a></p>	<p>RELATING TO DIVORCE.  Provides statutory authority for the employees' retirement system administrator to make direct payment to a former spouse of a member of benefits or portion thereof pursuant to valid court judgment, order, or decree. Appropriates money to implement the purposes of this Act. Takes effect on 1/7/2059. (SD1)</p>	<p>JDL, WAM</p>
<p><b><a href="#">SB 1087, SD1</a></b>  <a href="#">(SSCR471)</a>  <a href="#">Status &amp; Testimony</a></p>	<p>RELATING TO THE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM.  Provides for vested death benefits for Hybrid members who become members of the Employees' Retirement System after June 30, 2015; extends period for mandatory refund of contributions to the Employees' Retirement System. Effective date 1/7/2059. (SD1)</p>	<p>JDL, WAM</p>
<p><b><a href="#">SB 1089, SD1</a></b>  <a href="#">(SSCR469)</a>  <a href="#">Status &amp; Testimony</a></p>	<p>RELATING TO THE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM.  Requires an employee receiving workers' compensation benefits to have retirement contributions deducted from those benefits. Establishes deadlines: (1) for public employees who join the employees' retirement system after June 30, 2016, to claim membership service credit for previous service and for military service credit; and (2) for starting payments to acquire membership service credit for previous service, military service, and unpaid leave. Provides for payment for acquisition based on actuarial cost. Effective date January 7, 2059. (SD1)</p>	<p>JDL, WAM</p>
<p><b><a href="#">SB 1090, SD1</a></b>  <a href="#">(SSCR477)</a>  <a href="#">Status &amp; Testimony</a></p>	<p>RELATING TO THE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM.  Requires State and counties to furnish payroll and personnel transaction information to the Employees' Retirement System in the required format. If a department or agency fails to provide the information in the required format, requires the State or county to pay to the system in a lump sum at the beginning of the fiscal year the amount equal to the employer contributions payable by the department or agency. Requires unpaid amounts to bear interest. Effective date January 7, 2059. (SD1)</p>	<p>JDL, WAM</p>
<p><b><a href="#">SB 1209</a></b>  <a href="#">(SSCR27)</a>  <a href="#">Status &amp; Testimony</a></p>	<p>RELATING TO THE RETIREMENT OF JUDGES.  Corrects errors. Harmonizes age and service requirements for judges who are members of the employees' retirement system with requirements for other contributory plan members.</p>	<p>JDL, WAM</p>



<p><b><a href="#">SB 286, SD1</a></b>  <a href="#">(SSCR279)</a>  <a href="#">Status &amp; Testimony</a></p>	<p>RELATING TO THE OFFICE OF THE STATE INSPECTOR GENERAL.  Establishes the office of the state inspector general, to be headed by the state inspector general, within the department of the attorney general for administrative purposes only. Requires the office of the state inspector general to investigate complaints alleging fraud, waste, abuse, or corruption by a state agency or quasi-public agency, or the officers or employees of a state agency or quasi-public agency. Appropriates funds. Effective 01/07/2059. (SD1)</p>	<p>JDL, WAM</p>
<p><b><a href="#">SB 996, SD1</a></b>  <a href="#">(SSCR472)</a>  <a href="#">Status &amp; Testimony</a></p>	<p>RELATING TO ETHICS.  Appropriate funds to the state ethics commission to design and develop a system that allows filers to electronically file required statements and reports with the state ethics commission. Effective 01/07/2059. (SD1)</p>	<p>JDL, WAM</p>
<p><b><a href="#">SB 1194, SD1</a></b>  <a href="#">(SSCR475)</a>  <a href="#">Status &amp; Testimony</a></p>	<p>RELATING TO LOBBYISTS.  Requires the electronic filing of lobbyist disclosure statements. Requires that the filed statements be posted online. Effective 01/07/2059. (SD1)</p>	<p>JDL, WAM</p>
<p><b><a href="#">SB 472, SD1</a></b>  <a href="#">(SSCR157)</a>  <a href="#">Status &amp; Testimony</a></p>	<p>RELATING TO THE OFFICE OF INFORMATION PRACTICES.  Transfers OIP from LG to DAGS. Increases the independence of OIP as an administratively attached agency. Clarifies the employment status of OIP attorneys and the civil service exemption for OIP personnel. Appropriates funds to DAGS for administrative support. Effective 01/07/2059. (SD1)</p>	<p>JDL, WAM</p>
<p><b><a href="#">SB 1129, SD1</a></b>  <a href="#">(SSCR274)</a>  <a href="#">Status &amp; Testimony</a></p>	<p>RELATING TO COMMISSIONERS OF DEEDS.  Clarifies the lieutenant governor's rulemaking authority; authorizes the lieutenant governor to assess and collect fees and administrative fines; and establishes a revolving fund into which the fees and administrative fines are to be deposited; clarifies that the lieutenant governor is responsible for the program; and increases the surety bond requirement from \$1,000 to \$10,000. Effective 01/07/2059. (SD1)</p>	<p>JDL, WAM</p>
<p><b><a href="#">SB 1067, SD1</a></b>  <a href="#">(SSCR280)</a>  <a href="#">Status &amp; Testimony</a></p>	<p>RELATING TO CHARITABLE SOLICITATION.  Authorizes the Attorney General to require electronic financial reporting by professional solicitors. Imposes a fine for late financial reports by professional solicitors and for commercial co-venturers who are found by the Attorney General to have violated chapter 467B, HRS. Clarifies exemptions from registration requirements. Effective 01/07/2059. (SD1)</p>	<p>JDL/CPN, WAM</p>



<p><b><u>SB 577, SD1</u></b>  <u>(SSCR275)</u>  <u>Status &amp;</u>  <u>Testimony</u></p>	<p>RELATING TO CAMPAIGN FINANCE.  Requires any fees assessed by the campaign spending commission to be deposited into the Hawaii election campaign fund. Requires that general funds, rather than moneys from the Hawaii election campaign fund, be used for the operating expenses of the campaign spending commission. Authorizes the campaign spending commission to use moneys from the Hawaii election campaign fund for investigation expenses. Effective 01/07/2059. (SD1)</p>	<p>JDL, WAM</p>
<p><b><u>SB 1298, SD1</u></b>  <u>(SSCR273)</u>  <u>Status &amp;</u>  <u>Testimony</u></p>	<p>RELATING TO CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS.  Appropriates moneys in fiscal year 2016-2017 to the office of elections, senate, and house of representatives for duties needed to be undertaken to enable registered voters to vote at the 2016 general election on state constitutional amendments proposed by the legislature during the 2015 and 2016 regular sessions. Effective 01/07/2059. (SD1)</p>	<p>JDL, WAM</p>
<p><b><u>SB 243, SD1</u></b>  <u>(SSCR159)</u>  <u>Status &amp;</u>  <u>Testimony</u></p>	<p>RELATING TO ELECTIONS.  Clarifies that in the event of a natural disaster, the chief election officer or county clerk in the case of county elections prior to the day of election has the authority to determine whether to postpone or vote by absentee ballot in an election affected by the natural disaster. Authorizes the governor on the day of election and thereafter to determine whether to postpone or vote by absentee ballot in an election affected by the natural disaster unless the governor is a candidate for office in that election. Effective 01/07/2059. (SD1)</p>	<p>JDL, WAM</p>
<p><b><u>SB 287, SD1</u></b>  <u>(SSCR278)</u>  <u>Status &amp;</u>  <u>Testimony</u></p>	<p>RELATING TO ELECTIONS.  Requires the office of elections to implement elections by mail in a county with a population of less than 100,000, beginning with the 2016 primary election. By 2018, requires all federal, state, and county primary, special primary, general, special general, and special elections to be conducted by mail. Provides places of deposit for personal delivery of mail-in ballots and ensures a limited number of voter service centers in each county to remain open on the day of election to allow voters with special needs to vote and receive personal delivery of absentee, permanent absentee, and mail-in ballots. Makes conforming amendments. Appropriates funds for the implementation and administration of the election by mail program. (SD1)</p>	<p>JDL, WAM</p>
<p><b><u>SB 364, SD1</u></b>  <u>(SSCR158)</u>  <u>Status &amp;</u>  <u>Testimony</u></p>	<p>RELATING TO ELECTIONS.  Establishes a process for the recounting of ballots in an election. Authorizes that contests for cause challenging an election result may also be based upon unlawful activity or force majeure. Effective 01/07/2059. (SD1)</p>	<p>JDL, WAM</p>



<p><b><u>SB 139, SD1</u></b>  <a href="#">(SSCR8)</a>  <a href="#">Status &amp; Testimony</a></p>	<p>RELATING TO CIVIL SERVICE EXEMPTIONS.          Amends language to require each director of central personnel agency for a jurisdiction to review state civil service positions exempted under section 76-16, Hawaii Revised Statutes, on or after July 1, 2002, and prior to July 1, 2014, to determine whether the positions should continue to be exempt. Until July 1, 2017, removes requirement related to civil service appointment for an employee who occupies an exempt position for at least one year. Requires the director of human resources development to submit a report to the legislature. Effective 01/07/2059. (SD1)</p>	<p>JDL, WAM</p>
<p><b><u>SB 163, SD1</u></b>  <a href="#">(SSCR473)</a>  <a href="#">Status &amp; Testimony</a></p>	<p>RELATING TO COLLECTIVE BARGAINING.          Requires, for collective bargaining for units (5) and (6), 3 votes for the governor, 2 votes for the board of education, one vote for the superintendent of education, and 1 vote for the public charter schools. Requires, for collective bargaining for unit (9), 3 votes for the governor, 2 votes for the HHSC board, and 1 vote for the chief justice. Effective 01/07/2059. (SD1)</p>	<p>JDL, WAM</p>
<p><b><u>SB 1076, SD1</u></b>  <a href="#">(SSCR463)</a>  <a href="#">Status &amp; Testimony</a></p>	<p>MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING COST ITEMS.          To provide fund authorizations and appropriations for collective bargaining cost items for unit (14) and their excluded counterparts, including the cost of salary adjustments negotiated between the State and the bargaining unit representative for fiscal biennium 2015-2017. Effective date January 7, 2059. (SD1)</p>	<p>JDL, WAM</p>
<p><b><u>SB 1077, SD1</u></b>  <a href="#">(SSCR284)</a>  <a href="#">Status &amp; Testimony</a></p>	<p>MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING COST ITEMS.          To provide fund authorizations and appropriations for collective bargaining cost items for Unit (2) and their excluded counterparts, including the cost of salary adjustments negotiated between the State and the bargaining unit representative for fiscal biennium 2015-2017. Effective date 01/07/2059. (SD1)</p>	<p>JDL, WAM</p>
<p><b><u>SB 1078, SD1</u></b>  <a href="#">(SSCR285)</a>  <a href="#">Status &amp; Testimony</a></p>	<p>MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING COST ITEMS.          To provide fund authorizations and appropriations for collective bargaining cost items for Unit (3) and their excluded counterparts, including the cost of salary adjustments negotiated between the State and the bargaining unit representative for fiscal biennium 2015-2017. Effective date 01/07/2059. (SD1)</p>	<p>JDL, WAM</p>
<p><b><u>SB 1079, SD1</u></b>  <a href="#">(SSCR296)</a>  <a href="#">Status &amp; Testimony</a></p>	<p>MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING COST ITEMS.          To provide fund authorizations and appropriations for collective bargaining cost items for unit (4) and their excluded counterparts, including the cost of salary adjustments negotiated between the State and the bargaining unit representative for fiscal biennium 2015-2017. Effective date 01/07/2059. (SD1)</p>	<p>JDL, WAM</p>



<p><a href="#"><b>SB 1080, SD1</b></a>  <a href="#">(SSCR297)</a>  <a href="#">Status &amp; Testimony</a></p>	<p>MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING COST ITEMS.  To provide fund authorizations and appropriations for collective bargaining cost items for Unit (5) and its excluded counterparts, including the cost of salary adjustments negotiated between the State and the bargaining unit representative for fiscal biennium 2015-2017. Effective date 01/07/2059. (SD1)</p>	<p>JDL, WAM</p>
<p><a href="#"><b>SB 1081, SD1</b></a>  <a href="#">(SSCR298)</a>  <a href="#">Status &amp; Testimony</a></p>	<p>MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING COST ITEMS.  To provide fund authorizations and appropriations for collective bargaining cost items for unit (10) and their excluded counterparts, including the cost of salary adjustments negotiated between the State and the bargaining unit representative for fiscal biennium 2015-2017. Effective date 01/07/2059. (SD1)</p>	<p>JDL, WAM</p>
<p><a href="#"><b>SB 1082, SD1</b></a>  <a href="#">(SSCR299)</a>  <a href="#">Status &amp; Testimony</a></p>	<p>MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING COST ITEMS.  To provide fund authorizations and appropriations for collective bargaining cost items for unit (11) and their excluded counterparts, including the cost of salary adjustments negotiated between the State and the bargaining unit representative for fiscal biennium 2015-2017. Effective date 01/07/2059. (SD1)</p>	<p>JDL, WAM</p>
<p><a href="#"><b>SB 1083, SD1</b></a>  <a href="#">(SSCR300)</a>  <a href="#">Status &amp; Testimony</a></p>	<p>MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING COST ITEMS.  To provide fund authorizations and appropriations for collective bargaining cost items for unit (8) and their excluded counterparts, including the cost of salary adjustments negotiated between the State and the bargaining unit representative for fiscal biennium 2015-2017. Effective date 01/07/2059. (SD1)</p>	<p>JDL, WAM</p>
<p><a href="#"><b>SB 1084, SD1</b></a>  <a href="#">(SSCR301)</a>  <a href="#">Status &amp; Testimony</a></p>	<p>MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING COST ITEMS.  To provide fund authorizations and appropriations for collective bargaining cost items for unit (9) and their excluded counterparts, including the cost of salary adjustments negotiated between the State and the bargaining unit representative for fiscal biennium 2015-2017. Effective date 01/07/2059. (SD1)</p>	<p>JDL, WAM</p>
<p><a href="#"><b>SB 129, SD1</b></a>  <a href="#">(SSCR429)</a>  <a href="#">Status &amp; Testimony</a></p>	<p>RELATING TO LABOR.  Requires certain employers to provide sick leave to service workers for specified purposes under certain conditions. Defines service workers and employers. Effective January 7, 2059. (SD1)</p>	<p>JDL, WAM</p>
<p><a href="#"><b>SB 803, SD1</b></a>  <a href="#">(SSCR489)</a>  <a href="#">Status &amp; Testimony</a></p>	<p>RELATING TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION.  Requires a workers' compensation impartial exam to be conducted by a doctor whose specialty is appropriate for the injury to be examined in cases where the director of labor and industrial relations appoints a doctor to conduct an exam. Appropriates funds for the purpose of this measure. Effective 01/07/2059. (SD1)</p>	<p>JDL/HTH, WAM</p>



<p><b><u>SB 1122</u></b>  <u>(SSCR476)</u>  <u>Status &amp; Testimony</u></p>	<p>RELATING TO WAGE AND HOUR LAW.  Increases the amount of guaranteed monthly compensation required to exempt an individual from minimum wage, overtime, and record keeping requirements under the Hawaii Wage and Hour Law by way of a formula.</p>	<p>JDL, WAM</p>
<p><b><u>SB 144, SD1</u></b>  <u>(SSCR428)</u>  <u>Status &amp; Testimony</u></p>	<p>RELATING TO JURY TRIAL.  Increases the threshold value in controversy requirement for jury trials in civil cases at common law from \$5,000 to \$10,000. Effective 01/07/2059. (SD1)</p>	<p>JDL, WAM</p>
<p><b><u>SB 213, SD1</u></b>  <u>(SSCR281)</u>  <u>Status &amp; Testimony</u></p>	<p>RELATING TO THE HAWAII PENAL CODE.  Requires the department of public safety to send written notice to defendants with terms of imprisonment imposed prior to June 18, 2008, to notify these defendants that the department may recalculate their multiple terms of imprisonment and their rights to have the court review their sentences. Effective 01/07/2059. (SD1)</p>	<p>JDL/PSM, WAM</p>
<p><b><u>SB 230</u></b>  <u>(SSCR282)</u>  <u>Status &amp; Testimony</u></p>	<p>RELATING TO RESTITUTION FOR VICTIMS OF CRIME.  Clarifies that reimbursement to crime victims includes lost wages and mental health treatment, counseling, and therapy.</p>	<p>JDL/PSM, WAM</p>
<p><b><u>SB 384, SD1</u></b>  <u>(SSCR427)</u>  <u>Status &amp; Testimony</u></p>	<p>RELATING TO ADDRESS CONFIDENTIALITY.  Establishes the address confidentiality program to help victims of domestic violence and sexual assault relocate and keep their addresses confidential. Creates the address confidentiality program surcharge fund. Effective 01/07/2059. (SD1)</p>	<p>JDL, WAM</p>

**Decision making meeting only, no oral testimony will be accepted.**

**Persons wishing to submit written testimony may do so up to 24 hours prior to the hearing.**

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**FOR AMENDED NOTICES:** Measures that have been deleted are stricken through and measures that have been added are underscored. If a measure is both underscored and stricken through, that measure has been deleted from the agenda.

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