The following measure(s) were previously heard on **February 18, 2020 at 2:00 P.M.**

**HB 2543**

**Proposed HD1**

**Status**

**RELATING TO ACCESS TO LEARNING.**

Proposed HD1: Requires the parents or guardians of public school kindergarten students to disclose information on the child's prior child care program or prekindergarten attendance, if any, for the purpose of determining areas with the highest need for prekindergarten and child care programs. Requires Department of Education to assess kindergarten students. Establishes the preschool open doors trust fund and requires annual reporting. Expands Preschool Open Doors Program eligibility from 4-year-old children to all children who are 3 to 4 years old or will not be at least 5 years old on or before July 31 of the current school year. Requires annual reporting regarding the revenues and expenditures of the early learning trust fund. Establishes program for Department of Human Services to award grants for preschools. Appropriates funds and authorizes positions for the preschool open doors program. Appropriates funds for the Department of Human Services to expand its information technology system for the purpose of managing information on prekindergarten attendance and...
child care need and to contract for and operate preschool and child care
programs. Establishes the Early Learning Coordinator position within
the Office of the Governor. Establishes the goal of providing all
children who are 3 to 4 years old, or will not be at least five years old
on or before July 31 of the current school year, with enrollment in a
preschool program by the year 2030 and assigns that responsibility to
the Early Learning Coordinator. Appropriates funds to the Imiloa
Astronomy Center for building classrooms for Hawaiian language
immersion pre-kindergarten programs. Appropriates funds for
building early learning services classrooms on public library property.
Appropriates funds. (HB2543 HD1 PROPOSED)

Copies of the proposed HD1 are available in room 405 and on the Legislature's Web site: http://www.capitol.hawaii.gov.

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