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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Wednesday, February 18, 2015
TIME: 2:00 P.M.
PLACE: Conference Room 308
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

A G E N D A

<u>HB 73</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO STATE BONDS. Authorizes the issuance of general obligation bonds. Makes findings required by Article VII, Section 13 of the State Constitution to declare that the issuance of authorized bonds will not cause the debt limit to be exceeded.	FIN
<u>HB 171</u> <u>Status</u>	MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE HURRICANE RESERVE TRUST FUND. Appropriates funds for fiscal year 2015-2016 to be deposited into the hurricane reserve trust fund.	FIN
<u>HB 172</u> <u>Status</u>	MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE EMERGENCY AND BUDGET RESERVE FUND. Appropriates funds for fiscal year 2015-2016 to be deposited into the emergency and budget reserve fund.	FIN
<u>HB 461</u> <u>Status</u>	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.	FIN
<u>HB 1366</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO STATE ACQUISITION OR DEVELOPMENT OF REAL PROPERTY. Appropriates funds to identify, plan, and acquire or build upon real property in urban Honolulu to provide office space for state governmental agencies and offices	FIN



<u>HB 382</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO THE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM. Requires the Employees' Retirement System to divide pensions between a retired employee and non-employee former spouse or civil union partner, upon application and pursuant to a qualified domestic relations order.	FIN
<u>HB 707</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO NON-GENERAL FUNDS. Repeals and transfers the unencumbered balances of various non-general funds and accounts as recommended by the auditor in auditor's report nos. 14-04 and 14-13.	FIN
<u>HB 78</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO NON-GENERAL FUNDS. Reclassifies the accrued vacation and sick leave fund to a trust fund as recommended by the auditor in report no. 14-04.	FIN
<u>HB 79</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO NON-GENERAL FUNDS. Reclassifies and repeals various non-general funds, as recommended by the auditor in auditor's report no. 14-13.	FIN
<u>HB 173</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO THE REPEAL OF FUNDS AND ACCOUNTS. Repeals and transfers the unencumbered balances of various funds and accounts to the credit of the general fund.	FIN
<u>HB 1294</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO THE INCOME TAX CREDIT FOR LOW-INCOME HOUSEHOLD RENTERS. Sets a separate adjusted gross income threshold for married couples filing jointly, married couples filing separately, heads of households, and qualifying widows or widowers to qualify for the income tax credit for low-income household renters. Raises the tax credit. Annually adjusts the tax credit amount based upon increases in the consumer price index for all urban consumers.	FIN
<u>HB 1295</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO TAXATION. Increases the low-income housing tax credit to one hundred per cent of the qualified basis for each building located in Hawaii.	FIN
<u>HB 886</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO TAXATION. Extends the high-earner income tax brackets established pursuant to Act 60, Session Laws of Hawaii 2009 by an additional two years. Raises the income tax credits provided to low-income households by the refundable food/excise tax credit and low-income household renters credit to unspecified amounts.	FIN
<u>HB 1091</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO TAXATION. Increases the standard deduction and allowable personal exemption amounts. Increases the number of exemptions that may be claimed by taxpayers who are 65 years of age or older and meet certain income requirements.	FIN



<u>HB 1092</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO TAXATION. Excludes income received from deferred compensation retirement plans from the state income tax for taxpayers who meet certain income requirements.	FIN
<u>HB 1179</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO INFLATION ADJUSTMENTS TO CHAPTER 235, HAWAII REVISED STATUTES. Provides for annual adjustments to the Hawaii standard deduction, income tax rate brackets, and personal exemption in response to increases in inflation as documented by the U.S. Department of Labor Consumer Price Index. Requires DOTAX to submit a report to the legislature evaluating the adjustments made by the Act. Sunsets 1/1/2020.	FIN
<u>HB 1181</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO TAXATION. Amends the state income tax by changing the amounts of the basic standard deduction and personal exemption.	FIN
<u>HB 1182</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO TAXATION. Amends the income tax credit for expenses for household and dependent care services necessary for gainful employment by changing the manner in which the taxpayer's applicable percentage is determined.	FIN
<u>HB 1102</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO TAXATION. Requires DOTAX to conduct a study on modernizing the state tax collection system and submit a report to the legislature.	FIN
<u>HB 1486</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO THE STATE FUEL TAX. Changes the assessment of the state fuel tax from a specified cents per gallon to the greater of a specified cents per gallon or a specified percentage of the wholesale price per gallon to the retailer, subject to a minimum monetary amount of tax based upon the tax paid by certain retailers.	FIN

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

Persons wishing to offer comments should submit testimony at least 24 hours prior to the hearing. Testimony should indicate:

- Testifier's name with position/title and organization;
- The Committee(s) to which the comments are directed;
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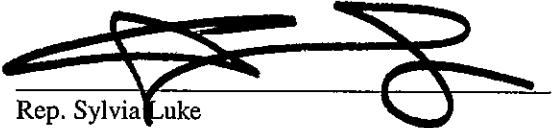
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