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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Friday, March 16, 2012
TIME: 2:00 PM
PLACE: Conference Room 325
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

A G E N D A

SB 2858, SD1 (SSCR2457) Status	RELATING TO OPEN GOVERNMENT. Creates a process for an agency to obtain judicial review of a decision made by the office of information practices relating to the open meetings law or the Uniform Information Practices Act, and clarifies standard of review. Effective 7/1/50. (SD1)	JUD, FIN
SB 2859, SD1 (SSCR2458) Status	RELATING TO OPEN GOVERNMENT. Allows board members to hear testimony for a meeting canceled for lack of quorum, to attend informational meetings, and for a four-year period to discuss board business via social media. (SD1)	JUD, FIN
SB 2571, SD1 (SSCR2558) Status	RELATING TO DOMESTIC RELATIONS. Amends various statutory provisions to reconfirm and clarify the original intent of Act 1 (2011) that civil union partners shall have all the same rights, benefits, protections, and responsibilities under law as are granted to those who contract, obtain a license, and are solemnized pursuant to chapter 572, HRS. Makes various housekeeping amendments to statutes to assist with the implementation and interpretation of Act 1, including with respect to public employee benefits, property held as tenants by the entirety, establishment of parent-child relationships, and adoption. Ensures couples who terminated their reciprocal beneficiary relationships after 11/1/11 but before this Act becomes effective retain all rights and benefits upon entering into a civil union. (SD1)	JUD, FIN

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

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