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+HI H 111    **AUTHOR:** Rhoads (D)  
**TITLE:** Indebtedness Recovery  
**INTRODUCED:** 01/21/2009  
**LAST AMEND:** 04/14/2009  
**DISPOSITION:** Pending  
**LOCATION:** Concurrence  
**SUMMARY:**  
 Establishes a two year statute of limitations for recovering indebtedness to State through withholding of state salary.  
**STATUS:**  
 04/14/2009                      In SENATE. Committee amendment adopted on third reading. Senate Draft 2.  
 04/14/2009                      In SENATE. Read third time. Passed SENATE. \*\*\*\*\*To HOUSE for concurrence.  
**Position:** Support  
**Priority:** 1

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+HI H 200    **COMPANION:** HI S 200  
**AUTHOR:** Say (D)  
**TITLE:** State Budget  
**INTRODUCED:** 01/23/2009  
**LAST AMEND:** 04/09/2009  
**DISPOSITION:** Pending  
**LOCATION:** Concurrence  
**SUMMARY:**  
 Provides for operating and capital improvement appropriations and authorizations for agencies in the Executive Branch for the fiscal biennium 2009-2011.  
**STATUS:**  
 04/14/2009                      In SENATE. Read third time. Passed SENATE. \*\*\*\*\*To HOUSE for concurrence.  
**Priority:** 1, Watch

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+HI H 300    **AUTHOR:** Say (D)  
**TITLE:** Judiciary Appropriations  
**INTRODUCED:** 01/23/2009  
**LAST AMEND:** 04/14/2009  
**DISPOSITION:** Pending  
**LOCATION:** Concurrence  
**SUMMARY:**  
 Appropriates funds to the Judiciary for fiscal biennium 2009-2010.  
**STATUS:**  
 04/14/2009                      In SENATE. Committee amendment adopted on third reading. Senate Draft 2.  
 04/14/2009                      In SENATE. Read third time. Passed SENATE. \*\*\*\*\*To HOUSE for concurrence.  
**Priority:** 1, Watch

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+HI H 541    **AUTHOR:** Takumi (D)  
**TITLE:** Civil Service Benefits and Department Of Education  
**INTRODUCED:** 01/23/2009  
**LAST AMEND:** 04/14/2009  
**DISPOSITION:** Pending  
**LOCATION:** Concurrence  
**SUMMARY:**  
 Ensures that civil service benefits for department of education civil service employees are the same as those provided to civil service employees of other executive branch employees until 6/30/12.  
**STATUS:**  
 04/14/2009                      In SENATE. Committee amendment adopted on third reading. Senate Draft 1.

04/14/2009 In SENATE. Read third time. Passed SENATE. \*\*\*\*\*To HOUSE for concurrence.  
**Position:** Support  
**Priority:** 1

+HI H 952 **AUTHOR:** Pine (R)  
**TITLE:** Labor Unions and Private Sector  
**INTRODUCED:** 01/26/2009  
**LAST AMEND:** 04/14/2009  
**DISPOSITION:** Pending  
**LOCATION:** Concurrence  
**SUMMARY:**  
 Relates to Labor Unions; certifies entities as exclusive representatives absent an election where no other representatives are certified as the exclusive bargaining representatives; requires immediate collective bargaining between parties once entities are certified as exclusive representatives.  
**STATUS:**  
 04/14/2009 In SENATE. Committee amendment adopted on third reading. Senate Draft 2.  
 04/14/2009 In SENATE. Read third time. Passed SENATE. \*\*\*\*\*To HOUSE for concurrence.  
**Commentary:**  
 Hawaii Employee Free Choice Act  
**Priority:** 1

+HI H 1040 **COMPANION:** HI S 858  
**AUTHOR:** Say (D)  
**TITLE:** Tort Liability and Lifeguards  
**INTRODUCED:** 01/26/2009  
**LAST AMEND:** 04/14/2009  
**DISPOSITION:** Pending  
**LOCATION:** Concurrence  
**SUMMARY:**  
 (Governor's Package Bill) Repeals the sunset date and makes permanent the law shielding county lifeguards from liability; makes permanent the limitation on liability of the state and counties for incidents arising on improved public lands, provided that certain signage requirements are met.  
**STATUS:**  
 04/14/2009 In SENATE. Committee amendment adopted on third reading. Senate Draft 2.  
 04/14/2009 In SENATE. Read third time. Passed SENATE. \*\*\*\*\*To HOUSE for concurrence.  
**Position:** Support  
**Priority:** 1

+HI H 1204 **AUTHOR:** Say (D)  
**TITLE:** Tourism Special Fund Transient Accommodation  
**INTRODUCED:** 01/26/2009  
**LAST AMEND:** 04/14/2009  
**DISPOSITION:** Pending  
**LOCATION:** Concurrence  
**SUMMARY:**  
 Requires, for fiscal year 2009-2010 and fiscal year 2010-2011 only, an additional distribution of not more than \$10,000,000 in transient accommodations tax revenues to the tourism special fund.  
**STATUS:**  
 04/14/2009 In SENATE. Committee amendment adopted on third reading. Senate Draft 2.  
 04/14/2009 In SENATE. Read third time. Passed SENATE. \*\*\*\*\*To HOUSE for concurrence.  
**Position:** Oppose  
**Priority:** 1

\*+HI H 1260 **AUTHOR:** Say (D)  
**TITLE:** Government

**INTRODUCED:** 01/26/2009  
**LAST AMEND:** 04/09/2009  
**DISPOSITION:** Pending  
**LOCATION:** Concurrence

**SUMMARY:**

Relates to government; establishes a state securitization account within the Department of Accounting and General Services; provides that by July 30 of each year, the director of finance shall transfer all excess non-general funds into the state securitization account.

**STATUS:**

04/14/2009 In SENATE. Read third time. Passed SENATE. \*\*\*\*\*To HOUSE for concurrence.

**Commentary:**

Reorganizes certain executive branch agencies by abolishing or transferring agencies and programs to correspond to H.B. 200, H.D.1 (State Budget).

**Position:** Neutral

**Priority:** 1

+HI H 1451 **AUTHOR:** Wakai (D)  
**TITLE:** High Technology Tax Credits and Extension  
**INTRODUCED:** 01/27/2009  
**LAST AMEND:** 04/14/2009  
**DISPOSITION:** Pending  
**LOCATION:** Concurrence

**SUMMARY:**

Extends the technology infrastructure renovation tax credit and the tax credit for research activities until 2015; requires a ten per cent increase in workforce to continue claiming the research activated tax credit after two years; provides for recapture of these tax credits if the business leaves Hawaii; precludes claiming the high technology business investment tax credit for taxable years beginning after December 31, 2008.

**STATUS:**

04/14/2009 In SENATE. Committee amendment adopted on third reading. Senate Draft 2.

04/14/2009 In SENATE. Read third time. Passed SENATE. \*\*\*\*\*To HOUSE for concurrence.

**Position:** Support

**Priority:** 1

**Subject:** Taxation

+HI H 1605 **AUTHOR:** Say (D)  
**TITLE:** Taxation and Hawaii Tax Review Initiative  
**INTRODUCED:** 01/28/2009  
**LAST AMEND:** 04/09/2009  
**DISPOSITION:** Pending  
**LOCATION:** Concurrence

**SUMMARY:**

Establishes the Hawaii tax review initiative to review and report on whether Hawaii's tax policies are relevant and effective in achieving Hawaii's long-term economic and social goals and objectives.

**STATUS:**

04/14/2009 In SENATE. Read third time. Passed SENATE. \*\*\*\*\*To HOUSE for concurrence.

**Commentary:**

Proposed SD 1 authorizes each county to establish a retail sales tax on tangible property.

**Position:** Support

**Priority:** 1

**Subject:** Taxation

+HI H 1744 **AUTHOR:** Say (D)  
**TITLE:** Transient Accommodations Tax  
**INTRODUCED:** 01/28/2009  
**LAST AMEND:** 04/09/2009  
**DISPOSITION:** Pending  
**LOCATION:** Concurrence

**SUMMARY:**

Suspends for 6 years from 07/01/2009 to 06/30/2015 the distribution of transient accommodations tax revenues to the counties.

**STATUS:**

04/14/2009 In SENATE. Read third time. Passed SENATE. \*\*\*\*\*To HOUSE for concurrence.

**Commentary:**

Latest amendment by Senate Ways and Means permanently repealed the distribution of the TAT to the counties, but authorizes a each county to impose a surcharge on the TAT, not to exceed 5%.

**Position:** Oppose  
**Priority:** 1  
**Subject:** Taxation

+HI H 1747

**AUTHOR:** Say (D)  
**TITLE:** Income Tax Rates  
**INTRODUCED:** 01/28/2009  
**LAST AMEND:** 04/09/2009  
**DISPOSITION:** Pending  
**LOCATION:** Concurrence

**SUMMARY:**

Exempts the state income tax for individuals who earn less than \$40,000 per year and increases the income tax for individuals who earn \$750,000 or more; drops dead 12/31/15.

**STATUS:**

04/14/2009 In SENATE. Read third time. Passed SENATE. \*\*\*\*\*To HOUSE for concurrence.

**NOTES:** Bill raises income tax on high income individuals (joining filers with income in excess of \$350,000

**Position:** Support  
**Priority:** 1  
**Subject:** Taxation

+HI HCR 92

**AUTHOR:** Hanohano (D)  
**TITLE:** Department of Public Safety Audit  
**INTRODUCED:** 02/25/2009  
**LAST AMEND:** 03/19/2009  
**DISPOSITION:** Pending  
**LOCATION:** House Finance Committee

**SUMMARY:**

Requests the auditor to conduct a financial and management audit of the Department of Public Safety, Sheriff Division, and to report on the suitability of the administrative organization of the Department of Public Safety and Sheriff Division.

**STATUS:**

04/15/2009 In HOUSE Committee on FINANCE: Voted do pass.

**Position:** Support  
**Priority:** 1

\*+HI S 294

**AUTHOR:** Kim (D)  
**TITLE:** State Departments  
**INTRODUCED:** 01/23/2009  
**LAST AMEND:** 04/09/2009  
**DISPOSITION:** Pending  
**LOCATION:** Eligible for Governor

**SUMMARY:**

Clarifies the role of Department of Business and Economic Development with respect to making recommendations to other state departments; makes the recommendations and actions subject to legislative review.

**STATUS:**

04/14/2009 In HOUSE. Read third time. Passed HOUSE. \*\*\*\*\*To SENATE for concurrence.

**Commentary:**

Reorganizes several executive branch agencies to correspond with H.B. 200, H.D. 1 (State Budget). An area of concern is the proposed elimination of HIOSH.

**Priority:** 1, Watch

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+HI S 884     **COMPANION:**                    HI H 1066  
**AUTHOR:**                                 Hanabusa (D)  
**TITLE:**                                        Transfer Of Non-general Funds  
**INTRODUCED:**                            01/26/2009  
**LAST AMEND:**                            04/09/2009  
**DISPOSITION:**                            Pending  
**LOCATION:**                                 Eligible for Governor  
**SUMMARY:**  
(Governor's Package Bill) Transfers excess balances from certain special funds to the general fund to address the budget shortfall in fiscal biennium 2009-2011.  
**STATUS:**  
04/14/2009                                 In HOUSE. Read third time. Passed HOUSE. \*\*\*\*\*To SENATE for concurrence.  
**Priority:**                                    1  
**Subject:**                                    Taxation, Taxation

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+HI S 971     **COMPANION:**                    HI H 1153  
**AUTHOR:**                                 Hanabusa (D)  
**TITLE:**                                        Conformity of Income Tax Laws  
**INTRODUCED:**                            01/26/2009  
**LAST AMEND:**                            04/09/2009  
**DISPOSITION:**                            Pending  
**LOCATION:**                                 Eligible for Governor  
**SUMMARY:**  
(Governor's Package Bill) Relates to Income Tax; Conformity to the Internal Revenue Code for 2008.  
**STATUS:**  
04/14/2009                                 In HOUSE. Read third time. Passed HOUSE. \*\*\*\*\*To SENATE for concurrence.  
**Commentary:**  
Latest draft passed by House Finance deleted the taxation of pensions.  
**Priority:**                                    1, Watch  
**Subject:**                                    Taxation

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+HI S 1122     **AUTHOR:**                                 Takamine (D)  
**TITLE:**                                        Public Employment and Exempt Civil Service  
**INTRODUCED:**                            01/26/2009  
**LAST AMEND:**                            04/14/2009  
**DISPOSITION:**                            Pending  
**LOCATION:**                                 Concurrence  
**SUMMARY:**  
Amends various sections of HRS to comply with Act 253, Session Laws of Hawaii 2000, which places restrictions on the creation of civil service exempt positions and requires an annual review of exempt positions to determine whether they should be converted to civil service positions.  
**STATUS:**  
04/14/2009                                 In HOUSE. Committee amendment adopted on third reading. House Draft 2.  
04/14/2009                                 In HOUSE. Read third time. Passed HOUSE. \*\*\*\*\*To SENATE for concurrence.  
**Commentary:**  
Protects rights of public employees by preserving health, retirement, leave, and other benefits if furloughs are implemented in FY 2009-13.  
**Position:**                                    Oppose  
**Priority:**                                    1

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+HI S 1271     **AUTHOR:**                                 Kim (D)  
**TITLE:**                                        Vacation Allowance and Exemptions  
**INTRODUCED:**                            01/28/2009  
**LAST AMEND:**                            04/09/2009  
**DISPOSITION:**                            Pending  
**LOCATION:**                                 Eligible for Governor  
**SUMMARY:**  
Requires state executive department and state legislative branch employees who are exempt from

chapter 76, HRS (civil service law) to use or donate accumulated and accrued vacation allowance prior to discharge, or to forfeit remaining vacation allowance and any compensation in lieu of retaining vacation allowance upon discharge; sunsets December 31, 2010.

**STATUS:**

04/14/2009 In HOUSE. Read third time. Passed HOUSE. \*\*\*\*\*To SENATE for concurrence.

**Commentary:**

Bill as amended targets exempt managerial employees. MCEC Chapter is now following this bill.

**Position:** Oppose

**Priority:** 1

+HI S 1621

**AUTHOR:** Takamine (D)  
**TITLE:** Collective Bargaining  
**INTRODUCED:** 01/28/2009  
**LAST AMEND:** 04/14/2009  
**DISPOSITION:** Pending  
**LOCATION:** Concurrence

**SUMMARY:**

Allows union certification of certain employees or employee groups by signed authorization from the employee; requires collective bargaining to begin upon union certification; sets certain deadlines for initial collective bargaining agreement procedures and conciliation of disputes; sets civil penalty for unfair labor practices; extends certain authorities to labor organizations representing employees for collective bargaining.

**STATUS:**

04/14/2009 In HOUSE. Committee amendment adopted on third reading. House Draft 2.

04/14/2009 In HOUSE. Read third time. Passed HOUSE. \*\*\*\*\*To SENATE for concurrence.

**NOTES:** Hawaii Employees Free Choice Act

**Position:** Support

**Priority:** 1

+HI S 1673

**AUTHOR:** Hanabusa (D)  
**TITLE:** Health Systems Corporation  
**INTRODUCED:** 01/28/2009  
**LAST AMEND:** 04/14/2009  
**DISPOSITION:** Pending  
**LOCATION:** Concurrence

**SUMMARY:**

Authorizes a facility or regional health care system under the Hawaii health systems corporation, or the corporation itself, to transition into a new legal entity, including a nonprofit or for-profit corporation, municipal facility, or public benefit corporation.

**STATUS:**

04/14/2009 In HOUSE. Committee amendment adopted on third reading. House Draft 2.

04/14/2009 In HOUSE. Read third time. Passed HOUSE. \*\*\*\*\*To SENATE for concurrence.

**Position:** Support

**Priority:** 1

+HI S 1677

**AUTHOR:** Hanabusa (D)  
**TITLE:** Ceded Lands and Public Lands  
**INTRODUCED:** 01/28/2009  
**LAST AMEND:** 04/03/2009  
**DISPOSITION:** Pending  
**LOCATION:** Concurrence

**SUMMARY:**

Requires two-thirds majority vote of the legislature to adopt concurrent resolution to sell or exchange certain public lands.

**STATUS:**

04/14/2009 In HOUSE. Read third time. Passed HOUSE. \*\*\*\*\*To SENATE for concurrence.

**Position:** Support

**Priority:** 1

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+HI S 1678    **AUTHOR:**                    Fukunaga (D)  
**TITLE:**                                 Streamlined Sales and Use Tax Amendments  
**INTRODUCED:**                         01/28/2009  
**LAST AMEND:**                         04/09/2009  
**DISPOSITION:**                         Pending  
**LOCATION:**                               Eligible for Governor  
**SUMMARY:**  
Adopts amendments to Hawaii tax laws to implement the streamlined sales and use tax agreement.  
**STATUS:**  
04/14/2009                                 In HOUSE. Read third time. Passed HOUSE. \*\*\*\*\*To SENATE for concurrence.  
**Position:**                                 Support  
**Priority:**                                     1  
**Subject:**                                   Taxation

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+HI SCR 64    **AUTHOR:**                    Takamine (D)  
**TITLE:**                                 Periodic Repricing Assignment of Classes  
**INTRODUCED:**                         03/13/2009  
**LAST AMEND:**                         04/08/2009  
**DISPOSITION:**                         Pending  
**LOCATION:**                                 House Labor and Public Employment Committee  
**SUMMARY:**  
Requests each jurisdiction within the state of Hawaii to submit periodic repricing reviews of classes, as required under Section 89-9, Hawaii Revised Statutes.  
**STATUS:**  
04/14/2009                                 To HOUSE Committee on LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT.  
**Position:**                                 Support  
**Priority:**                                     1

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+HI SCR 67    **AUTHOR:**                    Takamine (D)  
**TITLE:**                                 Deferred Compensation Plan House and Senate Committees  
**INTRODUCED:**                         03/13/2009  
**LAST AMEND:**                         04/08/2009  
**DISPOSITION:**                         Pending  
**LOCATION:**                                 House Labor and Public Employment Committee  
**SUMMARY:**  
Requests the house and senate committees on labor to conduct joint hearings to assess the performance of the board of trustees of the deferred compensation plan and plan administrators, and to recommend appropriate means to resolve complaints by plan members.  
**STATUS:**  
04/14/2009                                 To HOUSE Committee on LABOR AND PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT.  
**Position:**                                 Support  
**Priority:**                                     1

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