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Private file: HGEAbills

+HI H 200 **COMPANION:** HI S 200
AUTHOR: Say (D)
TITLE: State Budget
INTRODUCED: 01/23/2009
LAST AMEND: 05/07/2009
DISPOSITION: To Governor
LOCATION: To Governor
SUMMARY:
 Provides for operating and capital improvement appropriations and authorizations for agencies in the Executive Branch for the fiscal biennium 2009-2011.
STATUS:
 05/07/2009 In SENATE. Read final time. CONFERENCE Committee draft adopted by SENATE.
 05/07/2009 In HOUSE. Read final time. CONFERENCE Committee draft adopted by HOUSE.
 05/07/2009 *****To GOVERNOR.
Commentary:
 Support Senate version of budget except for elimination of HIOSH program.
AssignedTo: KevinM
Priority: 1

+HI H 952 **AUTHOR:** Pine (R)
TITLE: Labor Unions and Private Sector
INTRODUCED: 01/26/2009
LAST AMEND: 05/05/2009
DISPOSITION: To Governor
LOCATION: To Governor
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:
 05/08/2009 *****To GOVERNOR.
Commentary:
 Certifies entities as exclusive representatives without an election where no other representatives are certified as the exclusive bargaining representatives for employers with an annual gross revenue of \$5 million or more. Requires immediate collective bargaining between parties once entities are certified as exclusive representatives. Makes it a violation for an employer or employee to commit unfair or prohibited practices interfering with an employer's or employee's statutory rights or discriminating against an employer or an employee for exercising protected conduct, subject to a civil penalty of up to \$10,000 per violation. Effective July 1, 2009. (HB952 CD1)
AssignedTo: Joan
Position: Support
Priority: 1

+HI H 1040 **COMPANION:** HI S 858
AUTHOR: Say (D)
TITLE: Tort Liability and Lifeguards
INTRODUCED: 01/26/2009
LAST AMEND: 05/05/2009
DISPOSITION: To Governor
LOCATION: To Governor
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:

05/08/2009 *****To GOVERNOR.

Commentary:

Extends for four years the law shielding county lifeguards from liability. Also extends for four years the limitation on liability of the State and counties for incidents arising on improved public lands, provided that certain signage requirements are met.(HB1040 CD1)

AssignedTo: Carolee

Position: Support

Priority: 1

+HI S 884

COMPANION: HI H 1066
AUTHOR: Hanabusa (D)
TITLE: Transfer Of Non-general Funds
INTRODUCED: 01/26/2009
LAST AMEND: 05/07/2009
DISPOSITION: To Governor
LOCATION: To 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:

05/08/2009 *****To GOVERNOR.

Commentary:

Transfers excess balance from various non-general funds to the general fund; repeals central service and administrative fee exemptions; transfers interest from non-general funds to the general fund. (SB884 CD1)

AssignedTo: KevinM

Position: Support

Priority: 1

Subject: Taxation

+HI S 971

COMPANION: HI H 1153
AUTHOR: Hanabusa (D)
TITLE: Conformity of Income Tax Laws
INTRODUCED: 01/26/2009
LAST AMEND: 05/07/2009
DISPOSITION: To Governor
LOCATION: To Governor

SUMMARY:

(Governor's Package Bill) Relates to Income Tax; Conformity to the Internal Revenue Code for 2008.

STATUS:

05/08/2009 *****To GOVERNOR.

Commentary:

Conforms amendments to the Hawaii income tax law based upon amendments to the Internal Revenue Code for calendar year 2008(SB971 CD1). Conference draft removed the taxation of pensions.

AssignedTo: Susan

Priority: 1, Watch

Subject: Taxation

+HI S 972

COMPANION: HI H 1154
AUTHOR: Hanabusa (D)
TITLE: Tax Administration
INTRODUCED: 01/26/2009
LAST AMEND: 05/07/2009
DISPOSITION: To Governor
LOCATION: To Governor

SUMMARY:

(Governor's Package Bill) Relates to Tax Administration; Cash Economy Enforcement Act; relates to state tax gap; relates to general excise tax payments; provides that the department coordinate with federal agencies to require a general excise tax clearance certificate for all construction projects.

STATUS:

05/08/2009 *****To GOVERNOR.

Commentary:

Ensures Hawaii businesses and residents are paying their fair share of taxes by providing the Department of Taxation with resources to seek enforcement against non-compliant cash-based businesses. (CD1)

AssignedTo: KevinM
Position: Support
Priority: 1
Subject: Taxation

+HI S 1673 **AUTHOR:** Hanabusa (D)
TITLE: Health Systems Corporation
INTRODUCED: 01/28/2009
LAST AMEND: 05/07/2009
DISPOSITION: To Governor
LOCATION: To Governor

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:

05/08/2009 *****To GOVERNOR.

Commentary:

Authorizes a facility or regional health care system under the Hawaii health systems corporation to transition into a new legal entity; amends the maintenance of services requirements; authorizes criminal history record checks; amends corporation board membership; requires an annual internal audit of the management and operations of the corporation and regions. (CD1)

AssignedTo: Carolee
Position: Support
Priority: 1

+HI S 1677 **AUTHOR:** Hanabusa (D)
TITLE: Ceded Lands and Public Lands
INTRODUCED: 01/28/2009
LAST AMEND: 05/05/2009
DISPOSITION: To Governor
LOCATION: To Governor

SUMMARY:

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

STATUS:

05/07/2009 *****To GOVERNOR.

Commentary:

Support general concept of legislative approval before ceded lands are sold.

AssignedTo: Carolee
Position: Support
Priority: 1

+HI S 1678 **AUTHOR:** Fukunaga (D)
TITLE: Streamlined Sales and Use Tax Amendments
INTRODUCED: 01/28/2009
LAST AMEND: 05/07/2009
DISPOSITION: To Governor

LOCATION: To Governor

SUMMARY:

Adopts amendments to Hawaii tax laws to implement the streamlined sales and use tax agreement.

STATUS:

05/08/2009

*****To GOVERNOR.

Commentary:

Adopts amendments to Hawaii tax laws to implement the streamlined sales and use tax agreement. Effective when the United States Congress enacts legislation by consenting to the Streamlined Sales and Use Tax Agreement. (CD1)

AssignedTo: KevinM

Position: Support

Priority: 1

Subject: Taxation

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+HI H 111 **AUTHOR:** Rhoads (D)
TITLE: Indebtedness Recovery
INTRODUCED: 01/21/2009
LAST AMEND: 05/07/2009
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: Eligible for Governor
SUMMARY:
 Establishes a two year statute of limitations for recovering indebtedness to State through withholding of state salary.
STATUS:
 05/07/2009 In SENATE. Read final time. CONFERENCE Committee draft adopted by SENATE.
Commentary:
 Establishes a 2-year statute of limitations for recovering indebtedness to the State through withholding of state salaries. Calculates retirement benefits based on what the employee's salary should have been. (HB111 CD1)
AssignedTo: KevinM
Position: Support
Priority: 1

+HI H 300 **AUTHOR:** Say (D)
TITLE: Judiciary Appropriations
INTRODUCED: 01/23/2009
LAST AMEND: 05/07/2009
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: Eligible for Governor
SUMMARY:
 Appropriates funds to the Judiciary for fiscal biennium 2009-2010.
STATUS:
 05/07/2009 In HOUSE. Read final time. CONFERENCE Committee draft adopted by HOUSE.
 05/07/2009 In SENATE. Read final time. CONFERENCE Committee draft adopted by SENATE.
AssignedTo: Sanford
Priority: 1, Watch

+HI H 444 **AUTHOR:** Oshiro B (D)
TITLE: Civil Unions
INTRODUCED: 01/23/2009
LAST AMEND: 05/07/2009
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: SENATE
SUMMARY:
 Extends the same rights, benefits, protections, and responsibilities of spouses in a marriage to partners in a civil union.
STATUS:
 05/07/2009 Withdrawn from SENATE Committee on JUDICIARY AND GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS.
 05/07/2009 In SENATE. Amended on SENATE floor. Senate Draft 1.
NOTES: Civil Unions
Position: Support
Priority: 1

+HI H 541 **AUTHOR:** Takumi (D)
TITLE: Civil Service Benefits and Department Of Education
INTRODUCED: 01/23/2009

LAST AMEND: 05/07/2009
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: Eligible for Governor

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:

05/07/2009 In SENATE. Read final time. CONFERENCE Committee draft adopted by SENATE.

Commentary:

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 agencies until June 30, 2011. Requires a report to the Legislature if DOE has not established a separate civil service system by June 30, 2010. (HB541 CD1)

AssignedTo: Lei
Position: Support
Priority: 1

+HI H 1260 **AUTHOR:** Say (D)
TITLE: Government
INTRODUCED: 01/26/2009
LAST AMEND: 04/09/2009
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: Conference Committee

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:

05/07/2009 In HOUSE. Recommitted to CONFERENCE Committee.
05/07/2009 In SENATE. Recommitted to CONFERENCE Committee.

Commentary:

Reorganizes certain executive branch agencies by abolishing or transferring various agencies and programs to correspond with H.B. No. 200, H.D. 1, the general appropriations act of 2009. Problem with bill is that it abolishes the Hawaii Occupational Safety and Health law, with the exception of the hoisting machine operators advisory board and the hoisting machine operators' certification revolving fund on October 1, 2010; (HB1260 CD1)

AssignedTo: KevinM
Position: Neutral
Priority: 1

+HI H 1271 **AUTHOR:** Morita (D)
TITLE: Food and Energy Security Program
INTRODUCED: 01/26/2009
LAST AMEND: 05/07/2009
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: Eligible for Governor

SUMMARY:

Establishes the Hawaii economic development task force to address Hawaii's energy and food security needs; increases the tax collected on each barrel of petroleum product sold by a distributor; allocates portions of the taxes collected to various funds, including the general fund. Suspends for 36 months the requirement that gasoline sold in the State for use in motor vehicles contain 10% ethanol by volume.

STATUS:

05/07/2009 In SENATE. Read final time. CONFERENCE Committee draft adopted by SENATE.
05/07/2009 In HOUSE. Read final time. CONFERENCE Committee draft adopted by HOUSE.

AssignedTo: KevinM
Position: Support

Priority: 1
Subject: Taxation

+HI H 1405 **AUTHOR:** Choy (D)
TITLE: Streamlined Sales and Use Tax Amendments
INTRODUCED: 01/27/2009
LAST AMEND: 05/07/2009
DISPOSITION: Pending
LOCATION: Eligible for Governor
SUMMARY:
Adopts amendments to Hawaii tax laws to implement the streamlined sales and use tax agreement.
STATUS:
05/07/2009 In SENATE. Read final time. CONFERENCE Committee draft adopted by SENATE.
Commentary:
Amends the definition of engaging in business under section 237-2, HRS (general excise tax), to include persons who enter into an agreement with residents of the State where the person pays a commission for referral of potential customers. Creates a nexus standard for taxing out-of-state businesses on their business activities in Hawaii. (CD1)
Position: Support
Priority: 1
Subject: Taxation

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