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The next major deadline we face is First Lateral on Friday, February 14. First Lateral means that a bill must be moved to the final committee by this date.

The SAT committee heard SB 1251, SB 1334, SB 426, and SB 721 on Thursday, Jan. 30th. Decision making for these bills will be at a later date.

We've also scheduled a number of other hearings to meet the upcoming First Lateral deadline.

Sincerely,

David Ige

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Upcoming SAT Hearings

Tuesday, February 4, 1:15pm, Room 229

An informational briefing will be held to review the efforts in establishing an University Affiliated Research Center (UARC) and incubating a Engineering and Design Center. Representatives from the University of Hawaii and experts from the technology industry will discuss the role the UARC will play in advancing the research agenda at the University of Hawaii and the current efforts to partner with the local technology business to pursue Defense research and development contracts. The panelists are Dr. Peter Englert, Dr. Vassilis Syrmos, Mr. Rick Holask, and Mr. Larry Cutshaw.

Tuesday, February 4, 2:45pm, Room 229

- SB 1249 Relating to Small Business Technology Transfer Grants
- SB 72 Relating to the Special Advisory Council for Technology Development
- SB 425 Relating to Technology
- SB 1685 Relating to Tax Credits
- SB 1692 Relating to the Implementation of Medical information Technology
- SB 359 Relating to Film Industry
- SB 406 Relating to Taxation
- SB 1227 Relating to Taxation
- SB 1704 Relating to a Film Production/Post Production/Hawaiian Cultural and Educational facility and Warehouse within or near Heeia State Park
- SB 724 Relating to the Kaneohe Bay Regional Council

Thursday, February 6, 2:45pm, Room 225

- SB 1409 Relating to Public Access
- SB 1489 Relating to Public Access
- SB 1449 Relating to Public Meetings
- SB 1263 Relating to Electronic Procurement
- SB 834 Relating to High Technology Businesses
- SB 521 Relating to an Office of Technology and Economic Development
- SB 641 Relating to Contractors
- SB 663 Making an Appropriation for Expansion of the Oceanic Institute's Aquaculture and Marine Biotechnology Research Facilities
- SB 400 Authorizing the issuance of General Obligation Bonds and Making an Appropriation for Phase II of the Institute for Astronomy Advanced Technology Research Center

More SAT Hearings

Tuesday, February 11, 2:45pm, Room 225

- SB 1498 Relating to Works of Art
- SB 376 Relating to Art
- SB 1452 Making an Appropriation for the Japanese American Citizens League 75th Anniversary National Convention
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- SB 455 Making an Appropriation to the Friends of Waipahu Cultural Garden Park
- SB 1662 Relating to Congresswoman Patsy T. Mink
- SB 794 Relating to Hawaiian Language
- SB 1208 Relating to Hawaiian Language
- SB 1518 Relating to the Hawaiian Language

There are a number of joint committee hearings being planned. Please check www.capitol.hawaii.gov for updated information.

Community Corner



Congratulations to **Dewey Gottlieb II** of Pearl City High School, **Patricia Miyahira** of Momi-lani Elementary School, and **Kathleen Nagaji** of Pearl Ridge Elementary School for receiving National Board Certification for Teachers. Becoming nationally certified is a personal achievement that benefits students and elevates the teaching profession. They are among 25 Hawaii teachers who recently achieved this distinction.

The application process is time consuming and takes at least a year to complete. Teachers must pass four two-hour exams and submit an extensive portfolio in order to become certified.

Spotlight on Services



The Senate Committee on Science, Art and Technology accepts testimonies in three ways. During business hours, testimony can be dropped off with the committee clerk in Room 215 at the State Capitol. During after hours, testimony can be dropped off at the Senate Sergeant-at-Arms, Room 15 at the State Capitol.

Testimony may also be faxed to the Senate Sergeant-At-Arms Office at 586-6659 or 1-800-586-6659 (toll free for neighbor islands), if it is less than 5 pages long. If the testimony is faxed, please indicate the date and time of the hearing, the required number of copies that needs to be submitted, and who the testimony is being submitted to.

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