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**NOTICE OF MEETING**

**OF THE**

**ACT 156 TASK FORCE ON PARENTAGE LAWS**

DATE: January 12, 2024

TIME: 1:00 p.m.

PLACE: Department of the Attorney General, Hale Auhau

425 Queen Street, Honolulu, HI 96813; 2nd Floor &

Online via Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85026912240>

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**Board packet materials:** Board packet materials will be posted at <https://ag.hawaii.gov/act-156-task-force-on-parentage-laws/act-156-meeting-notices-agendas-and-materials/>. They may also be viewed in person at the Department of the Attorney General, 425 Queen Street, Honolulu, Hawai‘i 96813.

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**Executive sessions:** The Task Force may go into executive session pursuant to Haw. Rev. Stat. § 92-5(a)(4) to consult with its attorney on questions and issues pertaining to the Task Force’s powers, duties, privileges, immunities, and liabilities.

**AGENDA OF THE MEETING OF THE**

**ACT 156 TASK FORCE ON PARENTAGE LAWS**

**FRIDAY, JANUARY 12, 2024, 1:00 P.M.**

1. **Call to Order; Public Notice; Roll Call and Quorum Determination.**
   1. Roll Taking and Quorum Determination

Pursuant to Haw. Rev. Stat. § 92-3.7(a), each member of the Task Force in a nonpublic location shall state the name of any person eighteen years of age or older who is present at the nonpublic location with the member; provided further that the name of a person under the age of eighteen years shall be stated if the person has a personal business, property, or financial interest on any issue before the Task Force at the meeting.

1. **Action Items**
   1. Discussion and decision-making on the report of the Legal Parentage Permitted Interaction Group (PIG) regarding the possibility of expanding the scope of individuals who are eligible to voluntarily establish parentage through an expedited process.

The Legal Parentage PIG would like to ask the Task Force at large to weigh in on two questions:

(a) Whether the Task Force is in favor of expanding the eligibility to voluntarily establish parentage through an expedited process to all unwed birthing parents and their partners of any gender, regardless of whether the partner is genetically related to the child; and if so

(b) What option the Task Force prefers to accomplish such an expansion (i.e., whether to expand the definition of who may utilize the currently available voluntary acknowledgment of parentage process, or to instead create a separate process for uncontested paternity cases which would accomplish the same goal).

1. **Non-Action Items**
   1. Status update and reports from:

a. the Legal Parentage PIG

b. the Birth Heritage PIG

c. the Assisted Reproduction and Surrogacy PIG

1. **Adjournment**