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#### NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE:

Friday, February 2, 2007

TIME:

8:30 a.m.

PLACE:

Conference Room 325

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

### AGENDA

HB 399

#### RELATING TO AGRICULTURE

AGR/WLH, FIN

Makes an appropriation to the Hawaii Association of Conservation Districts for the operation of the soil and water conservations districts.

HB 1525

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR A GRANT TO WEST MAUI

AGR/WLH, FIN

SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT.

Makes an appropriation for a grant to west Maui soil and water conservation district to establish a working group to support and maintain sustainable livestock agricultural production in the State.

HB 1639

RELATING TO IMPORTANT AGRICULTURAL LANDS.

AGR/WLH, FIN

Excludes rental income received as lease rents from certain leases of important agricultural lands from gross income for purposes of the income tax law, and exempts rental income received as lease rents from certain leases of important agricultural lands from the general

excise tax law.

HB 715

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE PURCHASE OF

WATER FOR AGRICULTURAL USE ON LANAI.

Appropriates funds for the creation of a Lanai agriculture industry by providing funds for the purchase of water by the Lanai farmers.

AGR/WLH, FIN

AGR-02-02-07-AGR-WLH 02-02-07 HB 1496

RELATING TO LAND USE.

AGR/WLH, FIN

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Prohibits counties from allowing any uses in agricultural district other

than permitted uses set forth in section 205-4.5 (land use law).

HB 1121

RELATING TO WATER RATES FOR AGRICULTURAL USES.

Requires private entities that furnish water used for agricultural purposes in an area zoned for agricultural use to establish a water rate structure for agricultural water use that is comparable to the water rate

structure used by the local county board of water supply.

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