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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE:

Tuesday, February 6, 2007

TIME:

9:00 a.m.

PLACE:

Conference Room 325

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

AGENDA

HB 900

RELATING TO AGRICULTURE.

AGR, HED, FIN

Appropriates funds to finance the development of a long-range plan for a food innovation and security center.

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HB 1615	RELATING TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF A SHELLFISH AQUACULTURE INDUSTRY. Appropriates funds to conduct a feasibility and cost study to determine the statutory and rule changes, staffing requirements, laboratory support requirements, research requirements, and training and technical assistance needs to develop a shellfish aquaculture industry in Hawaii.	AGR, HED, FIN
HB 1735	ESTABLISHING A COMMISSION TO COMMEMORATE THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF HAWAII'S RANCHING COMMUNITY. Establishes the Waiomina centennial commission to commemorate the contributions of Hawaii's ranching community. Appropriates funds.	TAC/AGR, FIN
HB 80	RELATING TO AGRICULTURE. Appropriates \$200,000 to plan a terminal market pilot program on the Big Island; appropriates \$50,000 for the Department of Agriculture (DOA) to hire a consultant to assist in planning terminal markets; authorizes \$3,000,000 in general obligation bonds to finance construction and equipment for a terminal market and vacuum cooling plant on the island of Hawaii; requires the consultant to work with DOA to form a Committee relating to terminal markets.	AGR/EDB, FIN
HB 901	RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL TAXATION. Establishes the agricultural business investment tax credit.	AGR/EDB, FIN
HB 902	RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL TAX CREDITS. Establishes the Important Agricultural Land Agricultural Business Tax Credit.	AGR/EDB, FIN
НВ 1662	RELATING TO STATE FUNDS. Establishes linked investments to provide loan funds for agriculture. Authorizes the State to invest in linked investments.	AGR/EDB, FIN
НВ 396	RELATING TO THE PROCUREMENT CODE. Amends the procurement code to establish a preference for the purchase of agricultural products raised or grown in Hawaii.	AGR/EDB, FIN
НВ 1923	RELATING TO STATE ENTERPRISE ZONES. Provides that qualifying agricultural businesses shall remain eligible for tax incentives under the EZ program in the event of force majeure. Allows agricultural businesses to meet gross revenue requirements if they are unable to meet the full-time employment requirements of the EZ program.	EDB/AGR, FIN
НВ 692	THIS MEASURE IS FOR DECISION MAKING ONLY No testimony will be taken. RELATING TO AGRICULTURE. Short form bill relating to agriculture.	AGR

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

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