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### THE SENATE THE TWENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE **REGULAR SESSION OF 2007**

# COMMITTEE ON WATER, LAND, AGRICULTURE, AND HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS Senator Russell S. Kokubus, Chair

Senator Jill N. Tokuda, Vice Chair

#### **NOTICE OF HEARING**

DATE:

Wednesday, January 31, 2007

TIME:

3:15 pm

PLACE:

Conference Room 414

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

#### AGENDA

SB 641	RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL LANDS. Requires seller or seller's agent to provide buyer with disclosure of permitted uses and prohibited uses or activities on agricultural lands prior to sale.	WAH, СРН
SB 662	RELATING TO IMPORTANT AGRICULTURAL LANDS LOAN GUARANTY. Allows the Director of Finance to guarantee loans made to agricultural producers for agricultural projects on important agricultural lands.	WAH, WAM
SB 837	RELATING TO AGRICULTURE.  Authorizes the agribusiness development corporation to issue revenue bonds to purchase agricultural land in Kunia from private entities.  Appropriates funds to purchase the lands. Enables the agribusiness development corporation to contract with banks to provide lease management services. Allows corporation to lease agricultural lands in Kunia for up to 55 years.	WAH, WAM
SB 842	RELATING TO AGRICULTURE.  Appropriating funds for the Hawaii Farm Bureau Federation to conduct agricultural research and development.	WAH, WAM
SB 845	RELATING TO MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR IRRIGATION SYSTEMS.  Appropriates funds for the repair and maintenance of the Lower Hamakua Irrigation Ditch System and Waimea Irrigation Ditch System on the island of Hawaii. Appropriates funds to the irrigation system revolving fund to reimburse the fund for expenses incurred due to damage done to irrigation systems on the island of Hawaii in the aftermath of the 2006 earthquake.	WAH, WAM
SB 847	RELATING TO AGRICULTURE.	WAH, WAM

Appropriates \$4,000,000 for drought mitigation projects in each

county.

SB 848 RELATING TO THE EAST KAUAI IRRIGATION SYSTEM. WAH, WAM

Appropriates funds for the operation and maintenance of the East

Kauai Irrigation System.

SB 1308 RELATING TO LOANS FOR AGRICULTURAL AND

WAH, WAM

AQUACULTURE PURPOSES.

## Decision Making to follow, if time permits.

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Russell S. Kokubun

Chair