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COMMITTEE ON WATER, LAND, AGRICULTURE, AND HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS

Senator Russell S. Kokubun, Chair Senator Jill N. Tokuda, Vice Chair

NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE:

Wednesday, March 14, 2007

TIME:

2:45 pm

PLACE:

Conference Room 414

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

AGENDA

HB 119 (HSCR1017)	RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL WATER SYSTEMS. Allows agribusiness development corporation to acquire agricultural water systems to provide water for irrigation of agricultural lands.	WAH, WAM
HB 399 HD1 (HSCR1007)	RELATING TO AGRICULTURE Appropriates funds to the Hawaii Association of Conservation Districts for the operation of the soil and water conservation districts. (HB399 HD1)	WAH, WAM
HB 400 HD1 (HSCR1008)	RELATING TO AGRICULTURE. Appropriates funds for drought mitigation projects in each county. (HB400 HD1)	WAH, WAM
HB 401 HD2 (HSCR1009)	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. (HB401 HD2)	WAH, WAM
HB 902 HD2 (HSCR1122)	RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL TAX CREDITS. Establishes the Important Agricultural Land Agricultural Business Tax Credit. (HB902 HD2)	WAH, EDT, WAM
HB 692 HD2 (HSCR915)	RELATING TO AGRICULTURE. Extends the lapse date of special purpose revenue bonds issued to assist Aloun Farms to June 30, 2010. Effective June 29, 2007. (HB692 HD2)	WAH, WAM
HB 404 HD2	RELATING TO AGRICULTURE. Appropriates funds for a grant for the Hawaii Farm Bureau Federation	WAH, WAM

to conduct agricultural research and development. (HB404 HD2)

(HSCR1010)

HB 337 HD2 (HSCR1183)

RELATING TO AGRICULTURE.

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Authorizes the agribusiness development corporation to use revenue bonds to purchase agricultural land, including in Kunia or Ewa, or both, on Oahu. Appropriates funds to purchase the Kunia/Ewa lands. Enables the agribusiness development corporation to contract with banks to provide lease management services. Allows the agribusiness development corporation to lease agricultural lands in Kunia/Ewa for up to 55 years (HB337 HD2).

Decision Making to follow, if time permits.

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- In person: 25 copies of their testimony to the committee clerk, Room 407, State Capitol.
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Senator Russell S. Kokubun

Chair

