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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Thursday, March 13, 2008 TIME: 2:45 P.M. PLACE: Conference Room 224 State Capitol 415 South Beretania Street

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EDT/AHW

<u>HB 2955, HD1</u>	RELATING TO ARCHAEOLOGICAL DATA.	EDT/AHW, WAM
(HSCR797-08)	Establishes an archaeological data survey as an online database	
	program of the State of Hawaii Museum of Natural and Cultural	
Testimony	History. Authorizes the Museum, in consultation with the Office of	
<u>Status</u>	Hawaiian Affairs and State Historic Preservation Division to withhold	
	information from the database if a disclosure may pose a threat to a site	
	or artifact. (HB2955 HD1)	

AHW/CPH

<u>HB 2965, HD2</u>	RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL WATER SECURITY.	AHW/CPH, WAM
(HSCR817-08)	Allows the negotiation of agreements for the production of emergency power for agricultural water systems following a disaster declared by	
Testimony	the Governor. (HB2965 HD2)	
<u>Status</u>		



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HB 2292, HD1 (HSCR765-08) Testimony Status	RELATING TO AGRICULTURE. Enables the agribusiness development corporation to contract with banks to provide lease management services. Allows corporation to lease agricultural lands for up to 55 years. Authorizes the corporation to purchase agricultural lands owned by the Galbraith Estate. Makes an appropriation to acquire Galbraith Estate Lands. (HB2292 HD1)	AHW/WTL, WAM
HB 2293, HD1 (HSCR766-08) Testimony Status	RELATING TO AGRICULTURE. Authorizes issuance of revenue bonds to purchase land in central Oahu from the Galbraith Estate; appropriates funds to purchase the lands; enables the Agribusiness Development Corporation to contract with lending institutions to provide lease management services. (HB2293 HD1)	AHW/WTL, WAM
HB 2357, HD1 (HSCR904-08) Testimony Status	RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL LANDS. Provides incentives and protections to establish and sustain viable agricultural operations on important agricultural lands. (HB2357 HD1)	AHW/WTL, EDT/WAM
HB 2450, HD1 (HSCR748-08) Testimony Status	RELATING TO LAND USE. Requires any reclassification of land contiguous to the agricultural district to the urban or rural district to contain a condition prohibiting nonagricultural development within an unspecified distance from the property line bordering any agricultural parcel used for farming operations. (HB2450 HD1)	AHW/WTL, JDL
HB 2737, HD1 (HSCR870-08) Testimony Status	RELATING TO WATER RESOURCES. Appropriates funds to the Department of Agriculture for the planning and design of reservoirs in Upcountry Maui to serve both agricultural and residential water needs. Clarifies the availability of state funds on a matching basis with federal and county funds. (HB2737 HD1)	AHW/WTL, WAM
HB 2810, HD1 (HSCR901-08) Testimony Status	RELATING TO WATER RATES. Authorizes the Public Utilities Commission to establish preferential potable water rates for agricultural activities in a public utility's service area. Requires public utilities, upon application and proof of qualification, to provide preferential rates for potable water used only for agricultural activities. (HB2810 HD1)	AHW/WTL, CPH
AHW ONLY		
HB 3120, HD2 (HSCR772-08) Testimony Status	RELATING TO ANIMAL QUARANTINE FACILITIES. Specifies that animal quarantine property or facilities that are leased or rented shall be leased or rented at a minimum of fifty per cent of fair market value. Restricts the use of these facilities for animal welfare and agricultural purposes only. (HB3120 HD2)	AHW, WAM



Decision Making to follow, if time permits.

Persons wishing to testify should submit testimony in one of the following ways at least 24 hours prior to the hearing:

- In person: 1 copy of their testimony to the committee clerk, Room 218, State Capitol.
- By fax: Testimony may be faxed if less than 5 pages in length, to the Senate Sergeant-At-Arms Office at 586-6659 or 1-800-586-6659 (toll free for neighbor islands), at least 24 hours prior to the hearing. When faxing, please indicate to which committee the testimony is being submitted and the date and time of the hearing.
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