#### <u>THE SENATE</u> THE TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE REGULAR SESSION OF 2010

### COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT

Senator Mike Gabbard, Chair Senator J. Kalani English, Vice Chair

#### NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Thursday, February 4, 2010 TIME: 3:00 p.m. PLACE: Conference Room 225 State Capitol 415 South Beretania Street

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<u>SB 2836</u> <u>Testimony</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO NET ENERGY METERING. Increases the maximum allowable generating capacity of an eligible customer-generator from 50 kilowatts to 100 kilowatts. Increases the total allowable rated generating capacity produced by eligible customer-generators from 0.5% to 3% of a utility's peak demand or 15% of peak circuit demand for all distribution-level circuits of 12kV or lower.	ENE, CPN
<u>SB 2333</u> <u>Testimony</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO RENEWABLE ENERGY. Removes the total rated and combined total peak generating capacity limits for net energy metering and increases eligible customer- generator capacity to two megawatts. Permits existing net-metered customers to remain with the net metering program once alternative credits or compensation mechanisms are created. Allows an eligible customer-generator up to five hundred kilowatts before the eligible customer-generator must gain public utilities commission approval of safety and performance standards. Requires PUC to initiate rulemaking to adopt interconnection standards for certain renewable energy facilities.	ENE, CPN
<u>SB 2619</u> <u>Testimony</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO NET ENERGY METERING. Allows eligible customer-generators to carry over unused credits for excess electricity from previous months until exhausted.	ENE, CPN
<u>SB 2488</u> <u>Testimony</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO RENEWABLE ENERGY. Requires electrical utilities to compensate net metering surplus customer-generators for excess electricity generated by the customer- generators at the end of the twelve-month reconciliation period. Directs the PUC to determine the net surplus compensation rate.	ENE, CPN
<u>SB 2407</u> <u>Testimony</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO RENEWABLE ENERGY. Establishes an electricity bill reduction for residential electric meters on islands where renewable electric energy is generated and exported.	ENE, CPN

<u>SB 2858</u> <u>Testimony</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO RETAIL WHEELING. Requires the Public Utilities Commission to establish policies and procedures related to retail wheeling to enable independent power producers to sell electricity directly to end users.	ENE, CPN
<u>SB 2555</u> <u>Testimony</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO ELECTRICITY USAGE. Requires the public utilities commission to adopt rules that will enable government entities to purchase electricity in bulk electrical loads; authorizes government entities that purchase electricity in bulk electrical loads to contract with renewable energy producers.	ENE, CPN
<u>SB 2421</u> <u>Testimony</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO RENEWABLE ENERGY. Authorizes DLNR rules to allow renewable energy facilities in state conservation districts.	ENE, WTL
<u>SB 2423</u> <u>Testimony</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO CONDOMINIUMS. Gives boards of directors authority to install or allow the installation of solar energy or wind energy devices on the common elements of condominiums.	ENE, CPN
<u>SB 2817</u> <u>Testimony</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO SOLAR ENERGY DEVICES. Clarifies that the rules of a private condominium entity shall not render a solar energy device more than twenty-five per cent less effective, increase the cost of installation, maintenance, or removal of a solar energy device, or require an encumbrance on title because of the placement of the solar energy device.	ENE, CPN
<u>SB 2618</u> <u>Testimony</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO RENEWABLE ENERGY TECHNOLOGIES. Authorizes an owner to assign the renewable energy technologies income tax credit to a system seller or installer.	ENE, WAM
<u>SB 2544</u> <u>Testimony</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS TO ASSIST HONOLULU SEAWATER AIR CONDITIONING LLC PROJECTS ON THE ISLAND OF OAHU. Extends the authorization to issue special purpose revenue bonds for Honolulu Seawater Air Conditioning LLC.	ENE, WAM
<u>SB 2926</u> <u>Testimony</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS. Authorizes issuance of special purpose revenue bonds for Carbon Bio- Engineers, Inc., for development of non-fossil fuel energy production.	ENE, WAM
<u>SB 2563</u> <u>Testimony</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO ENERGY EFFICIENCY. Amends the lead by example goals of state energy efficiency to target 30% energy efficiency by 2030.	ENE, WAM

#### Decision Making to follow, if time permits.

**FOR AMENDED HEARING NOTICES:** If the notice is an amended notice, measures that have been deleted are stricken through and measures that have been added are underscored. If there is a measure that is both underscored and stricken through, that measure has been deleted from the agenda.

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- By Web: Testimony may be submitted online if less than 4MB in size, at http://www.capitol.hawaii.gov/emailtestimony.
- In person: 1 copy of their testimony to the committee clerk, Room 201, State Capitol.
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Senator Mike Gabbard Chair