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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE:

Thursday, February 24, 2011

TIME:

12:00 P.M.

PLACE:

Conference Room 308

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

AGENDA#4

HB 1248 (HSCR97) Status

RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL LOANS.

AGR, FIN

Reduces the new farmer program loan interest rate; increases the loan limits; reduces the number of credit denials required to qualify for the

program; appropriates funds.

HB 865, HD1 (HSCR95) **Status**

RELATING TO INSPECTION FEES.

AGR, FIN

Increases the fee assessed for the inspection, quarantine and eradication of invasive species contained in any freight from 50 cents to \$1 for every 1,000 pounds of freight brought into the State.

Effective on July 1, 2020.

HB 290. HD1 (HSCR563) Status

RELATING TO AGRICULTURE.

AGR, JUD, FIN

Establishes the Agriculture Inspection and Certification Special Fund under the Department of Agriculture for the inspection, certification, weighing, or grading of agricultural commodities that are to be imported into, exported from, or shipped within the state. Deposits all fees, civil penalties, and other moneys collected by DOA into the Special Fund. Allows DOA to enter into agreements with government and private agencies to hire and pay inspectors to perform certification and audit services, maintain food safety, and establish and maintain an Internet food safety promotional and reporting system. Repeals the Certification Services Revolving Fund. Requires the establishment or increase of certain fees to cover the operation and maintenance costs of agriculture inspection and certification programs, and central services and departmental administrative expense assessments. Appropriates funds for DOA's agriculture inspection and certification program.

RELATING TO MEASUREMENT STANDARDS. HB 285, HD1 AGR, FIN (HSCR325) Establishes the weights and measurements special fund. Requires the board of agriculture to adopt or amend rules to impose or increase fees Status authorized to be charged under chapter 486, Hawaii Revised Statutes. Makes appropriations. Effective July 1, 2020. HB 1568, HD1 RELATING TO AGRICULTURE. TRN/AGR, FIN (HSCR461) To strengthen and support Hawaii's agricultural industry, establishes biosecurity and inspection facilities at major airports and harbors in the **Status** state. Effective July 1, 2050. RELATING TO AGRICULTURE. HB 325, HD1 AGR, TRN, FIN Appropriates funds to establish a refrigerated food storage facility at (HSCR422) Hilo International Airport. Effective July 1, 2020. **Status**

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

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