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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE:

Monday, March 17, 2014

TIME:

9:00 A.M.

PLACE:

Conference Room 312

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

<u>AGENDA</u>

SB 2775, SD1 (SSCR2607)

RELATING TO RENEWABLE ENERGY.

AGR, EEP/WAL

Status

Permits solar energy facilities on class A agricultural lands if the solar

energy facilities are located on a paved or unpaved road that is established by December 31, 2013, and the road allows for vehicular

traffic. (SD1)

SB 2913, SD1

RELATING TO AGRICULTURE.

AGR, CPC/JUD

AGR, FIN

(SSCR2574) Status

Specifies the false labeling restrictions for the offense of false labeling of Hawaii-grown coffee; applies the labeling of natural, roasted, and instant coffees to the offense; and defines natural coffee, roasted

coffee, and instant coffee. (SD1)

SB 2296, SD2 (SSCR2621) Status

RELATING TO THE DISPOSITION OF LANDS MANAGED BY

THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.

Authorizes the department of agriculture to select qualified applicants as back-up lessees when disposing of certain agricultural or nonagricultural park lands through the sealed bidding process. Authorizes the department to negotiate with a back-up lessee if the highest offering bidder or lessee fails to finalize a lease with the department for any reason. Conforms the eligibility criteria for lessees of agricultural parks lands with that of lessees of non-agricultural park lands.

Effective 7/1/2050. (SD2)

SB 2920, SD2 (SSCR2686) Status

RELATING TO INVASIVE SPECIES.

AGR, FIN

Establishes and appropriates an unspecified amount to the county of Hawaii for a little fire ant pilot project to research solutions for addressing the little fire ant threat in Hawaii. Effective 7/1/2050.

(SD2)

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SB 2343 (SSCR2552) Status MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR INVASIVE SPECIES PREVENTION, CONTROL, OUTREACH, RESEARCH, AND

AGR, FIN

PLANNING.

Appropriates funds to the Hawaii Invasive Species Council for invasive species prevention, control, outreach, research, and planning.

SB 2293, SD1 (SSCR2568) Status RELATING TO AGRICULTURE.

AGR, FIN

Appropriates moneys to reimburse qualified producers for a percentage of each farm's feed expenses. Provides moneys for the administrative costs of the livestock revitalization program. Effective 7/1/2050.

(SD1)

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

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