THE SENATE THE TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE REGULAR SESSION OF 2016

COMMITTEE ON WATER, LAND, AND AGRICULTURE

Senator Mike Gabbard, Chair Senator Clarence K. Nishihara, Vice Chair

NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Wednesday, March 16, 2016

TIME: 2:45 p.m.

PLACE: Conference Room 224

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

<u>AGENDA</u>

HB 1869, HD1 RELATING TO THE ROSE-RINGED PARAKEET. WLA, WAM Appropriates funds to the Department of Agriculture to assist (HSCR821-16) and fund the National Wildlife Research Center with research of the negative impacts of the rose-ringed parakeet on Kauai and Status & development and implementation of a control plan to reduce the Testimony negative impacts. (HB1869 HD1) **HB 1982** RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE WLA, WAM REVENUE BONDS TO ASSIST BIG ISLAND DAIRY, LLC. (HSCR669-16) Authorizes the issuance of special purpose revenue bonds to assist Big Island Dairy, LLC, with the operation of its dairy farm Status & in Ookala. **Testimony**

HB 1999, HD1 RELATING TO AGRICULTURE. WLA, WAM

(HSCR672-16)

Status & Testimony

Establishes within the Livestock Revitalization Program a grant program for qualified feed developers. Appropriates funds for the Feed Developer Grant Program, reimbursements to qualified producers for feed costs, and a survey of local feed ingredient

sources. (HB1999 HD1)

HB 2542, HD2 RELATING TO THE AUDITOR. WLA, WAM

(HSCR890-16) Directs the Auditor to audit the Plant Quarantine Branch of the

Status & Department of Agriculture. (HB2542 HD2)

HB 2546, HD1 RELATING TO AGRICULTURE. WLA, WAM

(HSCR791-16) Establishes the Agriculture Grant Program and Agriculture Grant Program Special Fund to provide grants to qualified farmers for certain farming activities. Makes an appropriation. (HB2546

Testimony HD1)

Testimony

HB 2657, HD2 RELATING TO AGRICULTURE. WLA, WAM

Provides cost reimbursements to Molokai farmers and ranchers to reimburse costs of mandated food safety compliance audits and other related costs. Appropriates moneys to the Maui Office of Economic Development to review and approve applications

for the loan program. (HB2657 HD2)

Decision Making to follow, if time permits.

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Senator Mike Gabbard Chair