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COMMITTEE ON WATER AND LAND

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AMENDED NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Wednesday, March 22, 2023
TIME: 1:00 PM
PLACE: Conference Room 224 & Videoconference
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street
TIMESLOT: AEN

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A M E N D E D A G E N D A

HB 441, HD1

(HSCR1165)

Status &
Testimony

RELATING TO CLIMATE EQUITY.

Appropriates funds for the development of a database and data portal from data sources detailed in the May 2022 report on social vulnerability to climate change in Hawaii, under certain conditions. Appropriates funds for the maintenance and updating of the data portal. Effective 6/30/3000. (HD1)

AEN/WTL, WAM

HB 615, HD1

(HSCR848)

Status &
Testimony

RELATING TO RESTRICTIONS ON AGRICULTURAL USES AND ACTIVITIES.

Clarifies that any provision in a private agreement contained in a conveyance of land recorded on or before 7/8/2003 that have since expired but have not been renewed and recorded in the bureau of conveyances are prohibited from restricting bona fide agricultural uses and activities on agricultural land. Effective 6/30/3000. (HD1)

AEN/WTL, JDC

<p><u>HB 837, HD1</u> <u>(HSCR1003)</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u></p>	<p>RELATING TO THE STATE PLAN. Establishes green infrastructure objectives, policies, and priority guidelines for state facility systems, infrastructure, transit projects, and other areas in the Hawaii State Planning Act to improve the quality of life for residents and visitors. Adds definition of "green infrastructure". Requires the office of planning and sustainable development, in partnership with the greenhouse gas sequestration task force, to submit a report to the legislature making recommendations for implementing the green infrastructure objectives, policies, and priority guidelines. Effective 6/30/3000. (HD1)</p>	<p>AEN/WTL, WAM</p>
<p><u>HB 995, HD2</u> <u>(HSCR1078)</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u></p>	<p>RELATING TO IMPORTANT AGRICULTURAL LANDS. Clarifies the decision-making process for the land use commission adoption of county maps and designation of important agricultural lands. Repeals the provision for farm dwelling and employee housing on important agricultural lands and adopts a new provision for farm cluster housing as an incentive for the designation of lands as important agricultural lands. (HD2)</p>	<p>AEN/WTL, WAM</p>
<p><u>HB 1182, HD2</u> <u>(HSCR1117)</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u></p>	<p>RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE. Appropriates funds to the department of agriculture for the preparation of an environmental impact statement for lessees to drill non-potable water wells on individual parcels at Panaewa agricultural park. Effective 6/30/3000. (HD2)</p>	<p>AEN/WTL, WAM</p>
<p><u>HB 952, HD1</u> <u>(HSCR1133)</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u></p>	<p>RELATING TO NATURAL RESOURCES. Appropriates funds to the department of land and natural resources to address the impacts of climate change in the State. Effective 6/30/3000. (HD1)</p>	<p>WTL/AEN, WAM</p>
<p><u>HB 1101, HD1</u> <u>(HSCR1141)</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u></p>	<p>RELATING TO STORMWATER FEES. Exempts the State and its departments and agencies that maintain or operate a stormwater management system that is interconnected to a county stormwater system from county stormwater user fees. Prohibits each county from denying services to the State or its departments or agencies by reason of nonpayment of user fees. Effective 6/30/3000. (HD1)</p>	<p>WTL/AEN, JDC/WAM</p>
<p><u>SCR 113 / SR 106</u> <u>Status & Testimony / Status & Testimony</u></p>	<p><u>URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO MINIMIZE HUMAN INTERACTION AT CERTAIN LOCATIONS DURING CORAL SPAWNING EVENTS.</u></p>	<p>WTL/AEN <u>[Measure added on 03-17-23]</u></p>
<p><u>SCR 41 / SR 35</u> <u>Status & Testimony / Status & Testimony</u></p>	<p><u>DESIGNATING HAWAII'S CORAL REEFS AS CRITICAL NATURAL INFRASTRUCTURE AND STRONGLY SUPPORTING NATURE-BASED SOLUTIONS SUCH AS CORAL REEF RESTORATION FOR RISK REDUCTION.</u></p>	<p>AEN/WTL <u>[Measure added on 03-17-23]</u></p>

Decision Making to follow, if time permits.

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