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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Thursday, February 22, 2024  
TIME: 1:00 p.m.  
PLACE: VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE  
Conference Room 308  
State Capitol  
415 South Beretania Street

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A G E N D A #3

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| <a href="#">HB 2236, HD1</a><br><a href="#">(HSCR528-24)</a><br><a href="#">Status</a> | RELATING TO NON-GENERAL FUNDS.<br>Reclassifies, repeals, or abolishes certain non-general funds of the Department of Agriculture, pursuant to the recommendations made by the Auditor in Auditor's Report No. 23-13. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)                                        | AGR, FIN |
| <a href="#">HB 2134, HD1</a><br><a href="#">(HSCR523-24)</a><br><a href="#">Status</a> | RELATING TO AGRICULTURE.<br>Appropriates funds to establish grant specialist positions within the Department of Agriculture. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)                                                                                                                                | AGR, FIN |
| <a href="#">HB 1937, HD1</a><br><a href="#">(HSCR514-24)</a><br><a href="#">Status</a> | RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.<br>Appropriates funds to the Department of Agriculture for the preparation of an environmental impact statement to drill non-potable water wells on individual parcels at Panaewa and Pahoia agricultural parks. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1) | AGR, FIN |



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| <a href="#">HB 1815, HD1</a><br><a href="#">(HSCR513-24)</a><br><a href="#">Status</a> | <p>RELATING TO THE AGRIBUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION.</p> <p>Includes agritourism in the definition of "enterprise" to authorize the Agribusiness Development Corporation to financially support businesses engaged in agritourism. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>                                                                                                                                                                                    | <p>AGR, FIN</p>      |
| <a href="#">HB 2146, HD2</a><br><a href="#">(HSCR553-24)</a><br><a href="#">Status</a> | <p>RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL TOURISM.</p> <p>Authorizes agricultural tourism activities, including certain overnight accommodations, under certain conditions and only in counties that have adopted ordinances regulating agricultural tourism activities. Requires the Land Use Commission to adopt rules that establish requirements applicable to all farming operations implementing agricultural tourism activities. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD2)</p> | <p>AGR, WAL, FIN</p> |
| <a href="#">HB 2771, HD1</a><br><a href="#">(HSCR526-24)</a><br><a href="#">Status</a> | <p>RELATING TO FOOD SECURITY.</p> <p>Appropriates funds for the continued administration of the Hawaii healthy food incentive program and to provide matching funds to beneficiaries who participate in the supplemental nutrition assistance program. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>                                                                                                                                                                    | <p>AGR, FIN</p>      |
| <a href="#">HB 2590, HD1</a><br><a href="#">(HSCR519-24)</a><br><a href="#">Status</a> | <p>RELATING TO FOOD SECURITY.</p> <p>Appropriates funds for food bank purchases from local farmers, to be expended by the Department of Agriculture via requests for proposals. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | <p>AGR, FIN</p>      |
| <a href="#">HB 2144, HD1</a><br><a href="#">(HSCR173-24)</a><br><a href="#">Status</a> | <p>RELATING TO VALUE-ADDED PRODUCTION.</p> <p>Establishes the Access to Local Value-Added Products Act to allow homemade food operations to sell homemade food products, under certain conditions, upon registering with and receiving a permit from the Department of Health. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>                                                                                                                                            | <p>AGR, FIN</p>      |
| <a href="#">HB 2046, HD1</a><br><a href="#">(HSCR439-24)</a><br><a href="#">Status</a> | <p>RELATING TO FERAL CHICKEN MANAGEMENT.</p> <p>Requires the Department of Land and Natural Resources, Department of Agriculture, and counties to collaborate on feral chicken management projects. Appropriates funds. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                   | <p>AGR, FIN</p>      |
| <a href="#">HB 2329, HD1</a><br><a href="#">(HSCR517-24)</a><br><a href="#">Status</a> | <p>RELATING TO ROSE-RINGED PARAKEETS.</p> <p>Establishes a one-year pilot program to reduce the population of rose-ringed parakeets on Kauai using past research and on-the-ground experience to guide future strategies. Appropriates funds. Sunsets 6/30/2025. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>                                                                                                                                                          | <p>AGR, FIN</p>      |
| <a href="#">HB 2140, HD1</a><br><a href="#">(HSCR537-24)</a><br><a href="#">Status</a> | <p>RELATING TO ORNAMENTAL GINGER.</p> <p>Appropriates funds for statewide research into ornamental ginger pathogens, prevention of the spread of ornamental ginger pathogens, production and distribution of pathogen-free ornamental ginger plants, and outreach to ornamental producers. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>                                                                                                                                | <p>AGR, HET, FIN</p> |
| <a href="#">HB 2136, HD2</a><br><a href="#">(HSCR605-24)</a><br><a href="#">Status</a> | <p>RELATING TO AGRICULTURE.</p> <p>Requires the Department of Agriculture to establish and implement a pesticide inspection program to increase compliance with the proper use of restricted use pesticides by agricultural producers, ensure the continued prohibition on the use of chlorpyrifos, and inform the public of the most recent pesticide inspection results for agricultural producers. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD2)</p>                     | <p>AGR, CPC, FIN</p> |



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| <a href="#"><u>HB 2139, HD1</u></a><br><a href="#"><u>(HSCR532-24)</u></a><br><a href="#"><u>Status</u></a> | RELATING TO INVASIVE SPECIES.<br>Requires the Department of Agriculture to establish and implement an invasive species inspection placard program to enhance the control, removal, and eradication of invasive species on the premises of an agricultural producer and inform the public of the most recent invasive species inspection results for agricultural producers. Appropriates funds to mitigate the spread of the little fire ant and coconut rhinoceros beetle in the State. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1) | AGR, FIN      |
| <a href="#"><u>HB 2133, HD1</u></a><br><a href="#"><u>(HSCR442-24)</u></a><br><a href="#"><u>Status</u></a> | RELATING TO INVASIVE SPECIES.<br>Establishes an invasive species grant pilot program to provide grants through DOA to individuals, businesses, and organizations for the eradication of invasive species on property located in Hawaii that is owned by the individual, business, or organization. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)                                                                                                                                                                                       | AGR, FIN      |
| <a href="#"><u>HB 2546, HD1</u></a><br><a href="#"><u>(HSCR447-24)</u></a><br><a href="#"><u>Status</u></a> | RELATING TO INVASIVE SPECIES.<br>Allows for the use of fine meshed nets for the protection of plants against invasive species. Requires the Department of Agriculture to establish a registration program for purchasers of fine meshed nets in the State. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | AGR, FIN      |
| <a href="#"><u>HB 2104, HD1</u></a><br><a href="#"><u>(HSCR440-24)</u></a><br><a href="#"><u>Status</u></a> | RELATING TO THE HAWAII INVASIVE SPECIES COUNCIL.<br>Appropriates funds to support the Hawaii Invasive Species Council to ensure its long-term viability and prevent future problems. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | AGR, FIN      |
| <a href="#"><u>HB 2131, HD1</u></a><br><a href="#"><u>(HSCR441-24)</u></a><br><a href="#"><u>Status</u></a> | RELATING TO THE TWO-LINED SPITTLEBUG.<br>Appropriates funds for the Department of Agriculture to mitigate and control the spread of the two-lined spittlebug and to fund recovery efforts for areas affected by it. Requires a report to the Legislature. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | AGR, FIN      |
| <a href="#"><u>HB 2644, HD1</u></a><br><a href="#"><u>(HSCR443-24)</u></a><br><a href="#"><u>Status</u></a> | RELATING TO LITTLE FIRE ANTS.<br>Appropriates funds to support the Hawaii ant lab in mitigating the effects of little fire ants in the State. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | AGR, FIN      |
| <a href="#"><u>HB 2758, HD2</u></a><br><a href="#"><u>(HSCR606-24)</u></a><br><a href="#"><u>Status</u></a> | RELATING TO AGRICULTURE.<br>Facilitates the control and eradication of invasive species and pests. Establishes a plant nursery licensing program. Requires the Board of Agriculture to designate certain species as pests for control or eradication. Imposes certain limits on imports and transportation. Updates the method by which the Department's noxious weed list is updated. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD2)                                                                                                   | AGR, CPC, FIN |
| <a href="#"><u>HB 2619, HD1</u></a><br><a href="#"><u>(HSCR521-24)</u></a><br><a href="#"><u>Status</u></a> | RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL BIOSECURITY.<br>Appropriates funds for the biosecurity program of the Department of Agriculture to develop and implement projects for clean plant material, agricultural treatments, diagnostics, and pest management. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | AGR, FIN      |

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

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Chair

