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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Monday, February 23, 2026
TIME: 2:00 p.m.
PLACE: VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE
Conference Room 308
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

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A G E N D A

[HB 1602, HD1](#)
[\(HSCR322-26\)](#)
[Status](#)

RELATING TO AGRICULTURE.
Appropriates funds to establish one full-time equivalent (1.0 FTE) grant specialist position within the Department of Agriculture and Biosecurity. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)

AGR, FIN



HB 1832, HD1 (HSCR385-26) Status	<p>RELATING TO AQUACULTURE.</p> <p>Requires the establishment of a biological aquatic risk-based framework for assessment and approval of aquatic livestock importation and movement. Authorizes the Division of Animal Industry of the Department of Agriculture and Biosecurity to adopt rules implementing species risk categorization, tiered biocontainment standards, per-arrival disease testing, and interagency coordination procedures. Establishes an interagency working group. Requires development of species-specific risk matrices, interagency working group coordination with automatic permit approval timelines, and performance accountability. Establishes an implementation timeline. Appropriates funds. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	<p>AGR, FIN</p>
HB 1707, HD1 (HSCR324-26) Status	<p>RELATING TO AGRICULTURE.</p> <p>Establishes a Local Agriculture Transportation Cost Reimbursement Program within the Department of Agriculture and Biosecurity to reimburse eligible ranchers and farmers a portion of their costs to transport livestock, livestock products, agricultural commodities, and certain supplies, under certain conditions. Establishes a position to administer the Program. Appropriates funds. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	<p>AGR, FIN</p>
HB 2155, HD1 (HSCR328-26) Status	<p>RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS.</p> <p>Requires the Department of Agriculture and Biosecurity to revitalize and enhance the Agricultural Statistics Program to collect data on local agricultural interests. Appropriates funds. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	<p>AGR, FIN</p>
HB 1831, HD1 (HSCR167-26) Status	<p>RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL LANDS.</p> <p>Authorizes and provides funding for the Department of Agriculture and Biosecurity, in coordination with relevant state agencies, to identify and, if legally permissible, resolve survey deficiencies and wastewater compliance issues on non-agricultural park lands. Appropriates funds. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	<p>AGR/EEP, FIN</p>
HB 1650, HD1 (HSCR340-26) Status	<p>RELATING TO ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENTS.</p> <p>Removes proposed actions within the Waikiki special district from the requirement for environmental assessments under section 343-5, HRS. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	<p>EEO, WAL, FIN</p>
HB 1652, HD1 (HSCR238-26) Status	<p>RELATING TO STORMWATER MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS.</p> <p>Exempts agricultural infrastructure and low-risk green stormwater infrastructure from regulations covering retention ponds. Defines agricultural infrastructure and low-risk green stormwater infrastructure. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	<p>WAL, FIN</p>
HB 2361, HD1 (HSCR459-26) Status	<p>RELATING TO THE KANEOHE BAY REGIONAL COUNCIL.</p> <p>Requires the Department of Land and Natural Resources to provide administrative support to the Kaneohe Bay Regional Council. Requires the chairperson of the Council to be selected by the voting members from among all voting and nonvoting members on an annual and rotating basis. Requires the Council to meet quarterly. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	<p>WAL, FIN</p>



[HB 2218, HD1](#)
[\(HSCR458-26\)](#)
[Status](#)

RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES.
Authorizes the Department of Land and Natural Resources to enter into community co-management agreements and establishes qualifications for eligible community co-managers. Authorizes the disposition of public lands by a community co-management agreement. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)

WAL, FIN

[HB 1964, HD1](#)
[\(HSCR267-26\)](#)
[Status](#)

RELATING TO THE STATE BUILDING CODE COUNCIL.
Implements certain recommendations of the SPEED Task Force. Requires the State Building Code Council to provide annual training to state and county permitting agency employees. Appropriates funds for the training, subject to a matching requirement from the counties. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)

WAL, FIN

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

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Rep. Chris Todd
Chair

