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COMMITTEE ON WATER, LAND, CULTURE AND THE ARTS

Senator Chris Lee, Chair  
Senator Lorraine R. Inouye, Vice Chair

AMENDED NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Monday, February 9, 2026  
TIME: 1:00 PM  
PLACE: Conference Room 224 & Videoconference  
State Capitol  
415 South Beretania Street

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

**Due to predicted severe weather conditions, the State Capitol building will be closed on Monday, February 9, 2026. This meeting has been cancelled and will be rescheduled at a later date.**

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| <a href="#">SB 2130</a><br><a href="#">— Status &amp; Testimony</a> | <del>RELATING TO HUNTING.<br/>Requires the Department of Land and Natural Resources to amend its administrative rules to increase by 20% on each island the total acreage of public lands designated as public hunting areas for the hunting of game birds and game mammals. Requires report to Legislature.</del>            | <del>WLA, WAM</del> |
| <a href="#">SB 2128</a><br><a href="#">— Status &amp; Testimony</a> | <del>RELATING TO TRESPASS.<br/>Provides that any firearm or motor vehicle possessed and used by a person who hunts on private land without the permission of the owner or occupier of the land shall be forfeited to the State in accordance with chapter 712A, HRS.</del>  | <del>WLA, JDC</del> |
| <a href="#">SB 2186</a><br><a href="#">— Status &amp; Testimony</a> | <del>RELATING TO BLUE CARBON.<br/>Requires the Office of Planning and Sustainable Development to establish a Statewide Blue Carbon Strategy. Requires a report to the Legislature.</del>  | <del>WLA, WAM</del> |
| <a href="#">SB 2975</a><br><a href="#">— Status &amp; Testimony</a> | <del>RELATING TO MARINE LIFE CONSERVATION DISTRICTS.<br/>Authorizes the Department of Land and Natural Resources to close all or portions of any marine life conservation district for various periods of time and to adopt rules for the regulation of commercial activity within a marine life conservation district.</del> | <del>WLA, CPN</del> |

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| <a href="#"><u>SB 3053</u></a><br><a href="#"><u>— Status &amp; Testimony</u></a> | RELATING TO NATURAL RESOURCES.<br>Appropriates moneys to the Division of Aquatic Resources of the Department of Land and Natural Resources for mangrove removal and shoreline and stream maintenance in the Nineteenth Senatorial District and nearby areas, including the West Loch and Middle Loch shorelines.   | WLA, WAM     |
| <a href="#"><u>SB 2005</u></a><br><a href="#"><u>— Status &amp; Testimony</u></a> | RELATING TO CONSERVATION BANKING.<br>Authorizes the use of conservation banks for compensatory mitigation in a habitat conservation plan and associated incidental take license. Amends the membership and scope of authority for the Endangered Species Recovery Committee.   | WLA, WAM     |
| <a href="#"><u>SB 2937</u></a><br><a href="#"><u>— Status &amp; Testimony</u></a> | RELATING TO SEARCH AND RESCUE.<br>Establishes the Search and Rescue Card Program and Search and Rescue Special Fund to reimburse state and county agencies and volunteer organizations for search and rescue operations. Establishes reimbursement procedures for search and rescue operations.  | WLA, WAM/JDC |
| <a href="#"><u>SB 3288</u></a><br><a href="#"><u>— Status &amp; Testimony</u></a> | RELATING TO THE COUNTRY CLUB APARTMENT BUILDING, HILO, HAWAII.<br>Appropriates moneys to the Department of Land and Natural Resources to demolish and remove the Country Club Apartment Building and related structures and utilities located at 121 Banyan Drive, Hilo, Hawaii, on the parcel designated as Tax Map Key: (3) 2-1-005:020.                                       | WLA, WAM     |
| <a href="#"><u>SB 3291</u></a><br><a href="#"><u>— Status &amp; Testimony</u></a> | RELATING TO THE WAIKIKI WAR MEMORIAL COMPLEX.<br>Authorizes the issuance of general obligation bonds for capital improvement projects to rehabilitate the Waikiki War Memorial Natatorium and develop a Waikiki war memorial complex and War memorial center.  | WLA, WAM     |
| <a href="#"><u>SB 2997</u></a><br><a href="#"><u>— Status &amp; Testimony</u></a> | RELATING TO ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENTS.<br>Removes historic sites and the Waikiki special district from the requirement for environmental assessments under section 343-5, HRS.   | WLA, JDC     |
| <a href="#"><u>SB 3146</u></a><br><a href="#"><u>— Status &amp; Testimony</u></a> | RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES.<br>Authorizes the Board of Land and Natural Resources to adopt, amend, or repeal administrative fee schedules for use of certain lands pursuant to a specified procedure and to exempt parking lot and concessions operations on such lands from the bidding requirements for concessions operated on public property. | WLA, WAM     |

Decision Making to follow, if time permits.

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Senator Chris Lee  
Chair