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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Tuesday, February 3, 2026  
TIME: 9:00 AM  
PLACE: VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE  
Conference Room 411  
State Capitol  
415 South Beretania Street

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A G E N D A

[HB 1848](#)  
[Status](#)

RELATING TO LAND USE.  
Requires any petitioner for a district boundary amendment to obtain certification from the Commission on Water Resources Management that enough water is available for the project needs without causing harm to the relevant aquifers and provide that certification to the Land Use Commission.

WAL, JHA

[HB 1728](#)  
[Status](#)

RELATING TO RAINWATER CATCHMENT SYSTEMS.  
Requires the counties to allow for the installation and operation of rainwater catchment systems for potable and non-potable uses on all properties. Authorizes the counties to regulate and enforce standards for the use of rainwater catchment systems.

WAL, JHA

[HB 1652](#)  
[Status](#)

RELATING TO STORMWATER MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS.  
Exempts agricultural ponds and low-risk green stormwater infrastructure from regulations covering retention ponds. Defines agricultural ponds and low-risk green stormwater infrastructure.

WAL, FIN



<a href="#"><u>HB 1926</u></a> <a href="#"><u>Status</u></a>	RELATING TO RED HILL. Appropriates funds for studies on remediation of substances released from the Red Hill Bulk Fuel Storage Facility; environmental monitoring and testing; research on groundwater modeling and sampling; and independent testing and verification of water data, to be published on a public dashboard. Requires the Department of Land and Natural Resources to seek reimbursement from the United States Department of Defense.	WAL, EEP, FIN
<a href="#"><u>HB 1703</u></a> <a href="#"><u>Status</u></a>	RELATING TO LAND USE. Authorizes rodeos and rodeo activities on lands that are zoned for agricultural use. Defines the term "rodeo and rodeo activities".	WAL, CAA, JHA
<a href="#"><u>HB 1673</u></a> <a href="#"><u>Status</u></a>	RELATING TO LANDFILL UNITS. Beginning 7/1/2026, prohibits the construction, modification, or expansion of a landfill unit, or any component of a landfill unit, within the no-pass zone in a county with a population greater than five hundred thousand, with certain exemptions.	WAL, EEP, JHA
<a href="#"><u>HB 1639</u></a> <a href="#"><u>Status</u></a>	RELATING TO NOTARIES PUBLIC. Requires the Bureau of Conveyances to void any recorded instrument that was fraudulently notarized when attested to by the purported notary public. Requires the Bureau of Conveyance to allow title holders to suspend additional recordings on their title, unless given prior authorization by the title holder, subject to certain limitations.	WAL, JHA
<a href="#"><u>HB 1710</u></a> <a href="#"><u>Status</u></a>	RELATING TO HISTORIC PRESERVATION. Authorizes SHPD to conduct a phased review of a proposed project on private property under certain circumstances. Amends the process and deadlines by which SHPD must provide written concurrence or non-concurrence for a proposed project on private property or other project that requires entitlement for use, after which concurrence may be assumed and the project may proceed.	WAL, HSG, FIN
<a href="#"><u>HB 1579</u></a> <a href="#"><u>Status</u></a>	RELATING TO LIGHT POLLUTION. Beginning 7/1/2027, establishes outdoor light fixture requirements throughout the State.	WAL, JHA, FIN
<a href="#"><u>HB 1866</u></a> <a href="#"><u>Status</u></a>	RELATING TO COUNTY LABOR STANDARDS. Authorizes the counties to require contractors to disclose information regarding its employees' wages, benefits, hours, and employment status and deny, revoke, or suspend a building permit application for violating laws relating to wages, benefits, hours, and employment status, under certain conditions.	WAL, LAB, JHA

#### DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

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Rep. Mark J. Hashem  
Chair

