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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Tuesday, February 10, 2026
TIME: 9:00AM
PLACE: VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE
Conference Room 411
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

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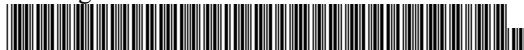
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A G E N D A

HB 1881 Status	RELATING TO LAND USE. Prohibits passenger ropeways on mountain lands within all land use districts.	WAL, JHA
HB 2218 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.	WAL, FIN
HB 1956 Status	RELATING TO FRESHWATER WATERWAYS. Prohibits residing in, on, or within fifty feet of a freshwater waterway. Authorizes state and local law enforcement agencies, including county police, the Department of Land and Natural Resources' Conservation and Resources Enforcement Program, and the Department of Law Enforcement, to enforce the prohibition.	WAL, JHA



HB 2151 Status	RELATING TO BUILDING MATERIALS. Recognizes hempcrete as an allowable non-structural building material under state law. Clarifies that no state or county building code shall prohibit the use of hempcrete. Provides the authority for building officials to approve hempcrete construction that meets applicable safety and performance standards.	WAL, JHA
HB 1845 Status	RELATING TO THE LAND USE COMMISSION. Specifies that a simple majority of affirmative votes of the members of the Land Use Commission present at a meeting and qualified to vote is required for any boundary amendment.	WAL, JHA
HB 1844 Status	RELATING TO THE LAND USE COMMISSION. Requires the Land Use Commission to reclassify lands that are designated for urban growth under a county general plan or county development plan as being in the urban district at the request of the county.	WAL, JHA
HB 2103 Status	RELATING TO THE LAND USE COMMISSION. Amends the composition of the Land Use Commission to require at least one member who has substantial experience and expertise in water resource management. Requires the Office of Hawaiian Affairs to submit a list of nominees to the Governor for the appointment of a commission member having substantial experience or expertise in traditional Hawaiian land usage and knowledge of cultural land practices.	WAL, JHA
HB 2424 Status	RELATING TO LAND USE. Between 7/1/2026 and 12/31/2028, authorizes each county planning commission to petition the Land Use Commission for a district boundary amendment to reclassify certain lands within the agricultural district to the rural district through the declaratory ruling process.	WAL, JHA
HB 1650, HD1 (HSCR29-26) Status	RELATING TO ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENTS. Removes proposed actions within the Waikiki special district from the requirement for environmental assessments under section 343-5, HRS. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	EEP, WAL, FIN
HB 376, HD1 (HSCR106) Status	RELATING TO CESSPOOLS. Accelerates the deadlines for the required upgrades, conversions, or connections of priority level 1 and priority level 2 cesspools to 2035 and 2040, respectively. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)	EEP, WAL, FIN
HB 2599 Status	RELATING TO AQUATIC PROTECTION. Requires the Division of Aquatic Resources of the Department of Land and Natural Resources to manage the aquatic life and aquatic resources of the State with the highest priority given to protecting, restoring, and maintaining ecosystem integrity and use the best scientific data available. Requires the Division of Aquatic Resources of the Department of Land and Natural Resources to set goals to substantially increase coral-reef resilience around Oahu and develop a framework to meet those goals, with annual reports to the Legislature.	WAL, FIN



[HB 1861](#)

[Status](#)

RELATING TO THE COUNTIES.

WAL, JHA

Authorizes counties to sell property through non-judicial foreclosure as a way to collect unpaid civil fines, subject to certain conditions.

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

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Testimony submitted will be placed on the legislative website. This public posting of testimony on the website should be considered when including personal information in your testimony.

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Rep. Mark J. Hashem
Chair

