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COMMITTEE ON WATER, LAND, AND AGRICULTURE

Senator Russell S. Kokubun, Chair Senator Gary L. Hooser, Vice Chair

NOTICE OF JOINT HEARINGS

DATE:

Monday, March 20, 2006

TIME:

1:15 PM

PLACE:

Conference Room 225

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

<u>AGENDA</u>

NOTE: The committee previously held public hearings on companion Senate Bills that are substantially similar to the House Bills listed on the agenda. Please focus your testimony on significant differences, if any, between the House and Senate measures as listed

EDM/WLA JOINT HEARING ONLY:

HB 1843

RELATING TO VOCATIONAL AGRICULTURE EDUCATION.

EDM/WLA, WAM

Provides a comprehensive vocational agriculture education program in the department of education.

(Companion bill: SB 2887)

HB 2610

RELATING TO CHARTER SCHOOLS.

EDM/WLA, WAM

HD2

HD1

Provides seed money to establish the charter schools facilities fund

partnership. Provides a tax credit to landlords who rent or lease to charter schools. Encourages the State to enter into leases with charter schools at rates comparable to other State agencies. Reimburses new century charter schools for rent, lease, or mortgage payments for

charter school facilities. (Companion bill: SB 3054)

EDM HEARING ONLY:

HB 1879 HD1 RELATING TO VETERANS.

EDM, WAM

Appropriates money for the Department of Defense to publish the

Hawaii Veterans' Newsletter. (Companion bill: SB 2648)

Decision Making to follow, if time permits.



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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, PLEASE CALL THE COMMITTEE CLERK AT 586-6843

Senator Russell S. Kokubun

Chair

Senator Norman Sakamoto

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