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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: **Friday, February 9, 2007**
TIME: **9:15 a.m.**
PLACE: **Conference Room 325**
 State Capitol
 415 South Beretania Street

A G E N D A

HB 1924	RELATING TO THE ERADICATION AND CONTROL OF THE COQUI FROG. Appropriates funds to eradicate and control the coqui frog state-wide.	AGR, FIN
HB 1941	RELATING TO CONTROLLING INVASIVE SPECIES. Appropriates funds to the department of agriculture for the inspection, quarantine, and eradication of invasive species.	AGR, FIN
HB 1921	RELATING TO TAXATION. Establishes an agribusiness investment tax credit.	AGR, FIN
HB 1640	RELATING TO PERMITS. Requires the Department of Health to establish and implement procedures to give priority processing of permit applications and renewals for agricultural processing facilities that process crops or livestock from an agri-business with a majority of the lands held, owned, or used by the agri-business identified and designated as important agricultural lands.	AGR, EDB
HB 1114	RELATING TO AGRICULTURE. Amends agribusiness development corporation law to refocus and direct the role of the corporation to one of taking control of infrastructure from closing large crop plantation operations and converting the infrastructure for use by multiple diversified agricultural enterprises. Removes department of agriculture's oversight of the corporation. Restores procurement code exemption to agribusiness development corporation.	AGR, FIN
HB 400	RELATING TO AGRICULTURE. Appropriates \$4,000,000 for drought mitigation projects in each county.	AGR, FIN

HB 401	RELATING TO IMPORTANT AGRICULTURAL LANDS LOAN GUARANTY. Allows the Director of Finance to guarantee loans made to agricultural producers for agricultural projects on important agricultural lands.	AGR, FIN
HB 403	RELATING TO THE EAST KAUAI IRRIGATION SYSTEM. Appropriates funds for the operation and maintenance of the East Kauai Irrigation System.	AGR, FIN
HB 404	RELATING TO AGRICULTURE. Appropriating funds for the Hawaii Farm Bureau Federation to conduct agricultural research and development.	AGR, FIN
HB 406	RELATING TO IRRIGATION. Requires persons applying for funding assistance from the Irrigation Repair and Maintenance Special Fund to dedicate the land to be irrigated to agricultural use for no fewer than ten years.	AGR, FIN
HB 119	RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL WATER SYSTEMS. Allows agribusiness development corporation to acquire agricultural water systems to provide water for irrigation of agricultural lands.	AGR, FIN
HB 337	RELATING TO AGRICULTURE. Authorizes the agribusiness development corporation to issue revenue bonds to purchase agricultural land in Kunia from the Campbell Estate. Appropriates funds to purchase the lands. Enables the agribusiness development corporation to contract with banks to provide lease management services. Allows corporation to lease agricultural lands in Kunia for up to 55 years.	AGR, FIN
	THIS MEASURE IS FOR DECISION MAKING ONLY No testimony will be taken	
HB 693	RELATING TO AGRICULTURE. Short form bill relating to agriculture.	AGR

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

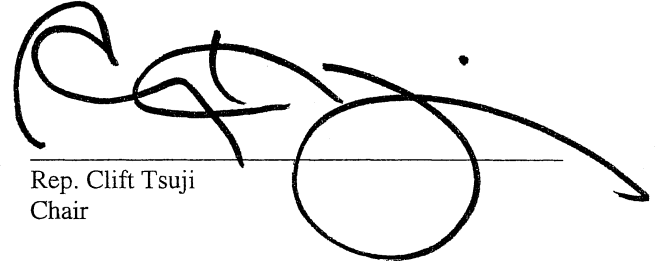
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