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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Friday, March 16, 2007
TIME 10:00 a.m.
PLACE: Conference Room 325
 State Capitol
 415 South Beretania Street

A G E N D A

SB 835 SD1 (SSCR682)	RELATING TO AGRICULTURE. Appropriates funds to the college of tropical agriculture and human resources to develop a long range plan for a food innovation and security center for the development and promotion of safe, high-quality, and high-value agricultural products. (SD1)	AGR, FIN
SB 837 SD2 (SSCR831)	RELATING TO AGRICULTURE. Authorizes the agribusiness development corporation to issue revenue bonds to purchase agricultural land in Kunia from private entities. 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. (SD2)	AGR, FIN
SB 1988 SD1 (SSCR870)	RELATING TO HONEY. Adds labeling requirements for honey. Adds definitions related to honey in chapter 147, Hawaii Revised Statutes. (SD1)	AGR, CPC
SB 639 SD2 (SSCR840)	RELATING TO INVASIVE SPECIES. Prohibits the sale of plants designated as noxious weeds. Requires the department of agriculture to review the noxious weed list annually and update the list, as necessary. Appropriates funds for the revision and review of the list of noxious weeds. (SD2)	AGR, FIN
SB 662 SD2 (SSCR833)	RELATING TO IMPORTANT AGRICULTURAL LANDS LOAN GUARANTY. Allows the Chairperson of the Board of Agriculture to guarantee loans made to agricultural producers for agricultural projects on important agricultural lands. (SD2)	AGR, FIN

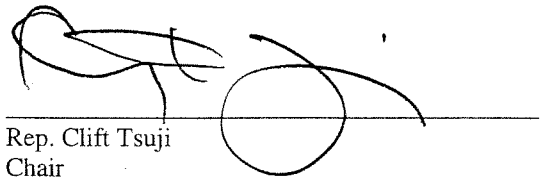
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