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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Tuesday February 06, 2007
TIME: 8:00 a.m.
PLACE: Conference Room 312
 State Capitol
 415 South Beretania Street

A G E N D A

HB 1485	RELATING TO SOLID WASTE CONTROL. Increases criminal penalties for illegal disposal of solid waste. Establishes an illegal dumping awareness program under the department of health, to administer classes relating to illegal dumping awareness.	EEP, JUD, FIN
HB 1293	RELATING TO THE PETROLEUM INDUSTRY. Clarifies and strengthens the PUC's authority and powers under the Petroleum Industry Information and Reporting Act. Appropriates \$1.2 million from the general fund to the Petroleum Industry Monitoring, Analysis, and Reporting Special Fund.	EEP, CPC/JUD, FIN
HB 1790	RELATING TO THE PETROLEUM INDUSTRY. Makes an appropriation into and out of the petroleum industry monitoring, analysis, and reporting special fund to establish the petroleum industry monitoring, analysis, and reporting program.	EEP, CPC, FIN
HB 1267	RELATING TO ENERGY SECURITY AND ENERGY EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS. Establishes chapter 125C as the enabling statute for the State's energy emergency preparedness program's coverage of all forms of energy emergencies, irrespective of cause, consistent with the threats to energy security and the state energy emergency preparedness program. Clarifies that the Director of DBEDT is the state energy resource coordinator who is authorized to acquire and use energy industry information obtained by the public utilities commission. Redefines the types of information that all energy companies may be required to submit to the energy resources coordinator in the case of an energy	EEP, CPC/JUD, FIN

HB 1267 (continued)	(continued) emergency or shortage. Authorizes DBEDT to compile and analyze information, including confidential information, for energy emergency planning and preparedness, mitigation, response, and recovery. Appropriates \$100,000 for each year of the fiscal biennium 2007-2009 for creation of 1 temporary full-time professional position to support the State's energy emergency preparedness and energy security analytic functions.	EEP, CPC/JUD, FIN
HB 1787	RELATING TO ENERGY RESOURCES. Replaces definition of "energy-savings performance contracts" with "energy performance contracts"; extends the maximum term of an energy performance contract from fifteen to twenty years; allows the state procurement officer to exempt a state energy project from advertising and competitive bidding requirements.	EEP, FIN
HB 1289	RELATING TO RENEWABLE ENERGY. Provides the PUC with authority to consider the need for increased renewable energy use.	EEP, CPC
HB 645	RENEWABLE ENERGY TECHNOLOGY; INCOME TAX CREDIT. Establish that all energy technology systems must be installed and placed in service in the State of Hawaii to obtain energy tax credit.	EEP, FIN
HB 1003	RELATING TO ENERGY. Establishes the Hawaii natural energy institute at the University of Hawaii, with responsibilities for administering the energy development special fund. Creates the biofuels development revolving loan program administered by the Hawaii strategic development corporation. Makes appropriations.	EEP, HED, FIN
HB 644	RELATING TO A BIOENERGY MASTER PLAN. Establishes a bioenergy master plan task force to develop and implement policies and procedures for a bioenergy industry in Hawaii. Makes appropriations.	EEP, FIN
HB 869	MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR A STUDY ON ENERGY EFFICIENT TRANSPORTATION STRATEGIES. Makes appropriation to the University of Hawaii, Hawaii energy policy forum, to study energy efficient transportation strategies.	EEP, HED, FIN
HB 640	RELATING TO ENERGY. Establishes energy enterprise zones to encourage the development of renewable energy resources.	EEP, EDB, FIN
HB 186	RELATING TO GASOLINE. Changes the ethanol content requirement for gasoline sold in the state for use in motor vehicles from 10% to 2%.	EEP, CPC, FIN

HB 870	RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS TO ASSIST SEAWATER AIR CONDITIONING PROJECTS ON THE ISLAND OF OAHU. Authorizes issuance of special purpose revenue bonds to Honolulu Seawater Air Conditioning LLC for the purpose of design and construction of a seawater air conditioning district cooling system in downtown Honolulu.	EEP, FIN
HB 872	RELATING TO RENEWABLE ENERGY. Clarifies definition of "renewable energy producer" to include thermal energy sold to customers of district cooling systems, for purposes of leasing public lands; allows a county to grant, sell or otherwise dispose of easements for chilled water and seawater distribution systems for renewable energy seawater air conditioning district cooling systems by negotiation without public auction.	EEP, WLH
HB 873	RELATING TO ENERGY. Require agencies to provide priority handling and processing, and expedite action on all state and county permits required for renewable energy projects.	EEP, WLH

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

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