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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Thursday, February 8, 2007
TIME: 5:00 p.m.
PLACE: Conference Room 414
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

A G E N D A

ENE/WAH

SB 890

RELATING TO INTEGRATED STRATEGIES FOR STATEWIDE
FOOD AND ENERGY CROP PRODUCTION.

ENE/WAH, WAM

Appropriates funds for the Center for Conservation Research and Training at UH to develop best practices consistent with comprehensive agricultural management strategies to facilitate sustainable production of crops through long-term enhancement of soil quality using ecologically responsible means. Implements a pilot project demonstrating integrated strategies to enhance soil fertility for the production of clean energy feedstocks (agricultural crops used as the raw materials for biofuels or biomass-to-electricity production) and food crops. Establishes mechanisms by which stakeholders can work collaboratively in the development of best practices and to educate the public about sustainable agriculture issues faced by the state.

WAH/ENE

SB 639

RELATING TO INVASIVE SPECIES.

WAH/ENE, WAM

Prohibits the importation and sale of noxious weeds and any new plant species without department of agriculture inspection and approval. Requires the department to update the noxious weed list every two years. Appropriates funds for the revision and review of the list of noxious weeds.

Decision Making to follow, if time permits.

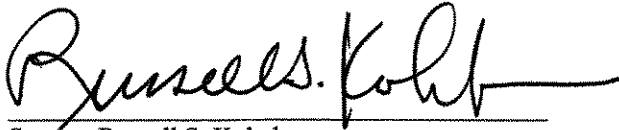


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