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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE:      Thursday, March 13, 2008  
TIME:      9:00 a.m.  
PLACE:     Conference Room 312  
             State Capitol  
             415 South Beretania Street

A G E N D A

SB 2774, SD2  
(SSCR2846)  
Status

RELATING TO EDUCATION.  
Establishes a task force within the University of Hawaii to conduct an evaluation of the recycling options available to schools, including a summary feasibility report relating to the establishment of a school recycling program, the use of reverse vending machines, and the feasibility of providing recycling bins in schools throughout the State. Appropriates funds. (SB2774 SD2)

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FIN

SB 2986, SD2  
(SSCR2822)  
Status

RELATING TO REFUNDABLE RENEWABLE ENERGY TAX CREDIT.  
Allows a taxpayer whose sole source of income is derived from pension benefits or with an adjusted gross income of \$            or less to qualify for a refundable tax credit for the purchase and installation of a renewable energy technology, which includes solar water heating, photovoltaic, and wind systems. (SB2986 SD2)

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SB 2623  
(SSCR2689)  
Status

RELATING TO RENEWABLE ENERGY TECHNOLOGIES.  
Expands the renewable energy technologies tax credit to include solar electric energy systems.

EEP, FIN

SB 2842, SD2  
(SSCR2855)  
Status

RELATING TO LIGHTING.  
Phases out and bans the use of lighting products with lead and high mercury content. Establishes a statewide lighting efficiency standard for general purpose lights. Requires the use of ENERGY STAR labeled lamps in agency buildings and facilities. Directs the department of health to develop a statewide recycling program for recycling mercury-containing compact fluorescent bulbs. Makes appropriation. (SB2842 SD2)

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SB 3190  
(SSCR2636)  
Status

RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE  
REVENUE BONDS TO ASSIST SOPOGY INC., IN THE  
DEVELOPMENT OF RENEWABLE ENERGY ON THE ISLAND  
OF OAHU.

EEP, FIN

Authorizes the issuance of special purpose revenue bonds in an amount not exceeding \$35,000,000 to assist Sopogy, Inc. with planning, designing, construction, equipping, and operating a solar farm power plant on the island of Oahu to produce electricity from solar power.

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

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