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COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS

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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Tuesday, March 11, 2008
TIME: 2:45 p.m.
PLACE: Conference Room 414
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

A G E N D A

ENE/TIA

[HB 2263](#)

RELATING TO HARBORS.

ENE/TIA

Allows the director of transportation to adopt rules that regulate harbor noise.

[\(HSCR739-08\)](#)

[Testimony](#)

[Status](#)

[HB 2004, HD2](#)

MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR A STUDY ON ENERGY EFFICIENT TRANSPORTATION STRATEGIES.

ENE/TIA, WAM

Appropriates funds for the Hawaii Energy Policy Forum to continue its study with the Energy-efficient Transportation Strategies Working Group to develop energy-efficient transportation strategies. (HB2004 HD2)

[\(HSCR888-08\)](#)

[Testimony](#)

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[HB 2843, HD2](#)

RELATING TO INVASIVE SPECIES.

ENE/TIA, WAM

Expands the items subject to the inspection, quarantine, and eradication service fee (inspection fee) to include any freight brought into the state. Requires the inspection fee to be assessed based on net weight of imported freight. (HB2843 HD2)

[\(HSCR770-08\)](#)

[Testimony](#)

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| HB 2003 | RELATING TO THE HAWAII ENERGY POLICY FORUM. Makes an appropriation for the continuation of the Hawaii Energy Policy Forum. | ENE, WAM |
| (HSCR853-08) | | |
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| HB 2005, HD1 | RELATING TO RENEWABLE ENERGY TECHNOLOGIES. Expands the renewable energy technologies tax credit to include solar electric energy systems. (HB2005 HD1) | ENE, EDT, WAM |
| (HSCR889-08) | | |
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| HB 2811 | RELATING TO ENERGY. Transfers general funds into the energy systems development special fund. Appropriates funds from the energy systems development special fund for the Hawaii natural energy institute. | ENE, WAM |
| (HSCR854-08) | | |
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| HB 2922, HD1 | RELATING TO FUEL TAX. Clarifies that the license tax on diesel fuel is 1 cent, rather than 2 cents if used in power-generating facilities. (HB2922 HD1) | ENE, EDT, WAM |
| (HSCR949-08) | | |
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| HB 3064, HD2 | RELATING TO REFUNDABLE RENEWABLE ENERGY TAX CREDIT. Makes the renewable energy technologies tax credit refundable for taxpayers with adjusted gross incomes of \$20,000 or less or taxpayers whose taxable income is exclusively pension or state retirement income. (HB3064 HD2) | ENE, EDT, WAM |
| (HSCR917-08) | | |
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| HB 3444, HD2 | RELATING TO ENERGY. Establishes the Energy Security Special Fund. Renames the Environmental Response Tax the "Environmental Response and Energy Security Tax" and increases the tax. Amends the uses of tax revenue to include deposits to the Energy Security Special Fund and the Energy Systems Development Special Fund. Amends uses of the Environmental Response Revolving Fund by deleting energy conservation and alternative energy development uses. Appropriates moneys to the Energy Security Special Fund. (HB3444 HD1) | ENE, EDT, WAM |
| (HSCR960-08) | | |
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Decision Making to follow, if time permits.



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