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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: FRIDAY, February 22, 2008
TIME: 1:00 P.M.
PLACE: Conference Room 308
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

A G E N D A # 4

HB 2357, HD1
(HSCR668-08)
Status

RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL LANDS.
Provides incentives and protections to establish and sustain viable agricultural operations on important agricultural lands.

WLH/AGR, FIN

(Email Testimony)

HB 2807, HD1
(HSCR667-08)
Status

RELATING TO LAND USE.
Provides two incentives to landowners who designate their land as important agricultural lands by allowing a landowner: (1) who has designated important agricultural lands to satisfy state- or county-imposed affordable housing assessments in the rural district; (2) to submit a petition for a declaratory order from the land use commission to combine the designation of important agricultural lands with the reclassification of agricultural land to the rural or urban district.

WLH/AGR, FIN

(Email Testimony)

HB 3126
(HSCR666-08)
Status

RELATING TO THE HAWAIIAN HOMES COMMISSION ACT
Increases the loan ceiling for farm and ranch operations on Hawaiian home lands from \$50,000 to \$200,000.

WLH/AGR, FIN

(Email Testimony)

HB 3179
(HSCR573-08)
Status

RELATING TO THE DEFINITION OF RENEWABLE ENERGY PRODUCER.
Amends the definition of "renewable energy producer" to include growers and producers of organic materials used primarily for the production of biofuels or other fuels, so that they will be eligible for direct leases of public land.

WLH/EEP, FIN

(Email Testimony)



HB 3272
(HSCR300-08)
Status

RELATING TO PUBLIC LANDS.
Permits a current lessee of public land to be disposed by public auction to match the winning bid under certain circumstances.

WLH, FIN

(Email Testimony)

HB 2302, HD1
(HSCR642-08)
Status

RELATING TO REAL PROPERTY.
Permits the registrar of the bureau of conveyances to accept electronic documents with electronic signatures for recording. Requires the judiciary to study what effect electronic recording may have on the adjudication of land court applications, determine permissible uses for electronic recording, and report its findings to the legislature prior to 2009 regular session.

WLH, CPC/JUD,
FIN

(Email Testimony)

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

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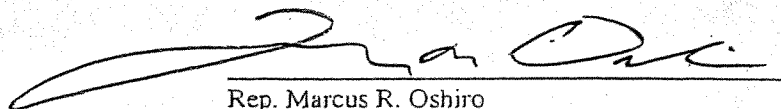
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