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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE:        Friday, February 1, 2008  
TIME:        8:30 a.m.  
PLACE:       Conference Room 325  
               State Capitol  
               415 South Beretania Street

A G E N D A

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| <u>HB 2357</u> | RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL LANDS.<br>Establishes new policies for the districting and protection of land in agricultural districts designated as "important agricultural land" for the purpose of article XI, section 3, of the state constitution.  | WLH/AGR      |
| <u>HB 2359</u> | RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL LANDS.<br>Requires certain lands to be placed in the agricultural districts on 7/1/10, including certain lands specifically identified, and other lands in a "relevant county agricultural zoning district". Deems those lands to be important agricultural lands. Allows those lands to be redesignated after 7/1/10 by the land use commission or the counties, as the case may be, under land use law. Allows counties to enact rezoning ordinances that, on 7/1/10 includes land in or excludes land from the "relevant county agricultural zoning district". | WLH/AGR, LMG |
| <u>HB 2684</u> | RELATING TO IMPORTANT AGRICULTURAL LANDS.<br>Establishes a five-year moratorium on the development of agricultural lands located in the State for which general planning has not commenced. Creates a sunset date of 6/30/2013.  | WLH/AGR      |



<u>HB 2808</u>	RELATING TO IMPORTANT AGRICULTURAL LANDS. Provides incentives and protections to establish and sustain viable agricultural operations on important agricultural lands.	WLH/AGR, FIN
<u>HB 2807</u>	RELATING TO LAND USE. Provides incentives to landowners who designate their land as important agricultural lands.	WLH/AGR, FIN
<u>HB 2607</u>	RELATING TO LAND USE. Directs the office of planning to petition the land use commission to reclassify certain lands along the North Kohala coastline in Hawaii county from the agricultural district to the conservation district.	WLH/AGR, EDB
<u>HB 2946</u>	RELATING TO LAND USE. Allow counties a one-time opportunity to reclassify areas of land into rural land use districts. Sunsets on 12/31/10.	WLH/AGR, FIN
<u>HB 2833</u>	RELATING TO LAND USE. Allows the redesignation of certain residential subdivisions in the agricultural district into the rural district, subject to certain criteria.	WLH/AGR, FIN
<u>HB 2606</u>	RELATING TO LAND USE. Directs the department of land and natural resources to petition Hawaii county to restrict the use of certain lands along the North Kohala coastline in Hawaii county within the agricultural district to prevent low density residential or any other development.	WLH/AGR, JUD
<u>HB 2356</u>	RELATING TO AGRICULTURE. Establishes maximum floor area for a farm dwelling in the agricultural district and increases the minimum lot size in the agricultural district to 5 acres.	WLH/AGR
<u>HB 2361</u>	RELATING TO AGRICULTURE. Defines state agricultural lands and designates state agricultural lands as important agricultural lands.	WLH/AGR
<u>HB 2820</u>	RELATING TO WATER FOR IMPORTANT AGRICULTURAL LANDS. Amends the state water code to support making sufficient water available for agricultural activity on important agricultural lands.	WLH/AGR, JUD, FIN
<u>HB 2355</u>	RELATING TO WELLS. Establishes a moratorium on the issuance of permits for well construction on certain agricultural lands.	WLH/AGR
<u>HB 3126</u>	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
<u>HB 2354</u>	RELATING TO INDEMNITY. Provides that the State indemnifies the owner of an irrigation system, dam, or reservoir for tort liability under certain conditions.	WLH/AGR, JUD

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW



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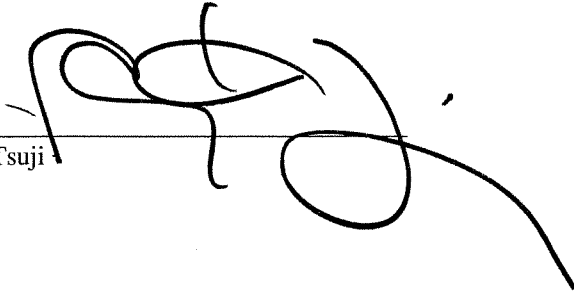
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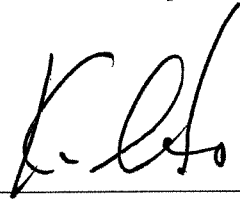
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