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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Wednesday, February 18, 2009

TIME: 9:00am

PLACE: Conference Room 312

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

AGENDA

HB 1271, HD1 RELATING TO GOVERNMENT

Establishes the Hawaii Energy and Food Security Task Force to

address Hawaii's energy and food security needs. Increases the tax

collected on each barrel of imported oil, and allocates a portion thereof

for energy security uses. (HB1271 HD1)

HB 212 RELATING TO FARMERS.

Creates a beginning farmer assessment task force to investigate the

decline of beginning farmers and to identify those interested in

programs designed to help them.

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

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