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COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION

Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair
Senator David Y. Ige, Vice Chair

NOTICE OF DECISION MAKING

DATE: Friday, February 27, 2009
TIME: 9:30 a.m.
PLACE: Conference Room 229
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

A G E N D A

<u>SB 133, SD1</u> <u>(SSCR404)</u> <u>Testimony</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO UTILITIES. Requires the public utilities commission to implement a program to achieve lifeline electricity rates for qualified residential electricity customers. (SD1)	HMS, CPN
<u>SB 205, SD1</u> <u>(SSCR184)</u> <u>Testimony</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO OWNER-BUILDERS. Increases period prohibiting sale or lease by owner-builder from 1 to 2 years unless due to circumstances beyond control of the owner or lessee as determined by the contractors licensing board; requires that an exemption from licensing requirements is given no more than once in 3 years; clarifies violation provisions. (SD1)	EDH, CPN
<u>SB 1265</u> <u>(SSCR231)</u> <u>Testimony</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO LABELING OF MEAT AND FISH PRODUCTS. Requires truthful labeling of meat and fish that has been gas-treated.	WTL, CPN
<u>SB 461, SD1</u> <u>(SSCR253)</u> <u>Testimony</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO RENEWABLE ENERGY. Removes the dependency of the price of electrical energy generated from nonfossil fuel sources from the avoided cost of energy generated by the electric public utility purchasing the nonfossil fuel generated electricity. (SD1)	ENE, CPN
<u>SB 555, SD1</u> <u>(SSCR362)</u> <u>Testimony</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO ENERGY EFFICIENCY. Directs the department of business, economic, development and tourism to adopt rules pertaining to appliance efficiency that are consistent with the California Appliance Efficiency Regulations. Prohibits the sale of appliances in the State after January 1, 2013, that do not meet efficiency standards. (SD1)	ENE, CPN

<p><u>SB 606, SD1</u> <u>(SSCR67)</u> <u>Testimony</u> <u>Status</u></p>	<p>RELATING TO CONDOMINIUMS. Gives boards of directors authority to install or allow the installation of solar energy or wind energy devices on the common elements of condominiums. (SD1)</p>	<p>ENE, CPN</p>
<p><u>SB 868, SD1</u> <u>(SSCR255)</u> <u>Testimony</u> <u>Status</u></p>	<p>RELATING TO ENERGY RESOURCES. To comprehensively address deficiencies in Hawaii's energy resources coordination statutes. Provide policy guidance needed to provide adequate detail on the nature and relationship of the energy data analyses functions required of the state energy resources coordinator and energy program. (SD1)</p>	<p>ENE, CPN</p>
<p><u>SB 1065, SD1</u> <u>(SSCR209)</u> <u>Testimony</u> <u>Status</u></p>	<p>RELATING TO THE NATURAL ENERGY LABORATORY OF HAWAII AUTHORITY. Exempts NELHA sales of electricity generated from renewable energy sources from certain regulations by the public utilities commission when those sales are made to users located on adjacent property that is leased from the State. (SD1)</p>	<p>ENE/EDT, CPN</p>
<p><u>SB 1338, SD1</u> <u>(SSCR50)</u> <u>Testimony</u> <u>Status</u></p>	<p>RELATING TO HOUSEHOLD ENERGY DEMAND. Allows for the use of clotheslines at any privately owned single-family residential dwelling or townhouse. Allows reasonable restrictions on the use of clotheslines for aesthetic purposes. (SD1)</p>	<p>ENE, CPN</p>
<p><u>SB 1671</u> <u>(SSCR206)</u> <u>Testimony</u> <u>Status</u></p>	<p>RELATING TO FOSSIL FUELS. Prohibits the approval of any new electricity generating facilities using fossil fuel and the modification of existing electricity generating facilities to allow the use of more fossil fuel.</p>	<p>ENE, CPN</p>
<p><u>SB 1675, SD1</u> <u>(SSCR191)</u> <u>Testimony</u> <u>Status</u></p>	<p>RELATING TO RENEWABLE ENERGY. Removes the capacity limit for net energy metering and increases eligible customer-generator capacity to one megawatt. Permits existing net metered customers to remain with net metering program once alternative credits or compensation mechanisms are created. Allows an eligible customer-generator to generate up to one hundred kilowatts before the eligible customer-generator must gain public utilities commission approval of safety and performance standards. (SD1)</p>	<p>ENE, CPN</p>

Decision making meeting. No verbal testimony will be taken, only written comments will be accepted.

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- In person: 1 copy of their Comments to the committee clerk, Room 231, State Capitol.

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