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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Tuesday, February 24, 2009
TIME: 10:00 a.m.
PLACE: Conference Room 325
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

A M E N D E D A G E N D A

**This notice has been amended by adding HB 640 to the agenda
and offering Proposed HB 245 HD1 for submission of public testimony.**

[HB 245](#)
[\(HSCR384\)](#)
[Status](#)

RELATING TO RENEWABLE ENERGY FACILITIES. AGR/WLO, EEP
Proposed HD1: Allows the development of renewable energy facilities on conservation and agricultural districts and special management areas; provided that the facilities comply with all applicable regulatory laws. (Proposed HD1)

Copies of the proposed HD1 are available in room 314 and on the Legislature's Web site: <http://www.capitol.hawaii.gov>.

[HB 1351, HD1](#)
[\(HSCR346\)](#)
[Status](#)

RELATING TO PRIVATE AGRICULTURAL PARKS. AGR, EEP/WLO
Allows owners of contiguous parcels within the agricultural district to establish private agricultural parks registered with the Department of Agriculture. Specifies activities within a private agricultural park. (HB1351 HD1)

The following measure has been added to the agenda:

HB 640 Status	RELATING TO ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENTS. Excludes the installation and development of infrastructure and utilities within a public right-of-way or highway as the use of state or county lands for purposes of requiring an environmental assessment.	EEP/WLO
HB 589 Status	RELATING TO RENEWABLE ENERGY FACILITIES. Exempts renewable energy facilities from subdivision requirements; defines "subdivision requirements".	WLO/EEP
HB 590 Status	RELATING TO RENEWABLE ENERGY FACILITIES. Shortens time within which a state or county agency may process and approve or deny any permit plan application for a renewable energy facility.	WLO/EEP

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

Persons wishing to offer comments should submit testimony at least 24 hours prior to the hearing with a transmittal cover indicating:

- Testifier's name with position/title and organization;
- The Committee the comments are directed to;
- The date and time of the hearing;
- Measure number; and
- The number of copies the Committee is requesting.

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PAPER: 5 copies (including an original) to Room 317 in the State Capitol;

FAX: For comments less than 5 pages in length, transmit to 586-9608 (Oahu) or 1-800-535-3859 (Neighbor Islands); or

EMAIL: For comments less than 5 pages in length, transmit to EEPTestimony@Capitol.hawaii.gov.

Testimony submitted will be placed on the Legislative Web site after the hearing adjourns. This public posting of testimony on the Web site should be considered when including personal information in your testimony.

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