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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Friday, February 13, 2009
TIME: 9:00 a.m.
PLACE: Conference Room 325
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

A G E N D A

HB 241
Status

RELATING TO AGRICULTURE.
Authorizes each of the soil and water conservation districts to keep revenues generated within their respective districts to carry out functions of the district.

WLO/AGR, FIN

HB 251
Status

RELATING TO LAND USE.
Allows the redesignation of certain residential subdivisions in the agricultural district into the rural district, subject to certain criteria.

WLO/AGR, FIN



HB 1009
Status

RELATING TO PUBLIC LANDS WHICH ARE IMPORTANT
AGRICULTURAL LANDS.

WLO/AGR, FIN

Describes public land designated as important agricultural lands as equivalent to but distinct from important agricultural lands. Authorizes department of agriculture to select, identify and map potential important agricultural lands from all public lands transferred from department of land and natural resources as provided for and in compliance with chapters 166 and 166E, Hawaii Revised Statutes, using criteria and standards in chapter 205, Hawaii Revised Statutes. Authorizes board of agriculture to accept and transmit maps of public lands with potential as important agricultural lands for final designation by land use commission and to make final determination of what provisions of chapter 205, including important agricultural lands incentives, will apply or be made available for qualified public lands under jurisdiction of chapter 166 and chapter 166E.

HB 1436
Status

RELATING TO AGRICULTURE.

WLO/AGR, EDN

Amends the permitted uses of land within the agricultural district with soil classifications of A or B to include educational facilities and agricultural appurtenances.

HB 245
Status

RELATING TO RENEWABLE ENERGY FACILITIES.

AGR/WLO, EEP

Deems renewable energy facilities compatible with the (1) purposes, standards, and permissible uses in the conservation and agricultural districts; and (2) the objectives, policies, and guidelines of the special management area.

HB 975
Status

RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL WATER SYSTEMS.

AGR/WLO, FIN

Authorizes the Agribusiness Development Corporation to acquire agricultural water systems to provide water for irrigation of agricultural lands. Exempts agricultural water systems from the subdivision requirements of county ordinances. Provides that, if a description of the system sufficient to identify the property being acquired, including a map, description of metes and bounds, and other information required by the conveyance law is provided by the owner, the system may be conveyed without subdivision.

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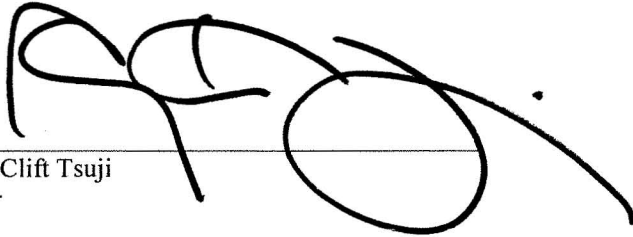
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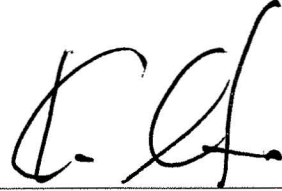
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