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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE:        Friday, January 28, 2011  
TIME:        11:00am  
PLACE:       Conference Room 312  
                 State Capitol  
                 415 South Beretania Street

A G E N D A

HB 290  
Status

RELATING TO AGRICULTURE.

AGR, JUD, FIN

Establishes the Agriculture Inspection and Certification Special Fund under the Department of Agriculture for the inspection, certification, weighing, or grading of agricultural commodities that are to be imported into, exported from, or shipped within the state. Deposits all fees, civil penalties, and other moneys collected by DOA into the Special Fund. Allows DOA to enter into agreements with government and private agencies to hire and pay inspectors to perform certification and audit services, maintain food safety, and establish and maintain an Internet food safety promotional and reporting system. Repeals the Certification Services Revolving Fund. Requires the establishment or increase of certain fees to cover the operation and maintenance costs of agriculture inspection and certification programs, and central services and departmental administrative expense assessments. Appropriates funds for DOA's agriculture inspection and certification program.

HB 325  
Status

RELATING TO AGRICULTURE.

AGR, TRN, FIN

Appropriates funds to establish a refrigerated food storage facility at Hilo International Airport.

HB 627  
Status

RELATING TO AGRICULTURE.

AGR, WLO, FIN

Establishes a tax credit for qualified agricultural processing facilities that process agricultural products grown within the agricultural district.

HB 701  
Status

RELATING TO SCHOOLS.

AGR, EDN, FIN

Requires the DOE to purchase agricultural products for school meals programs that have a farm within a school's regional administrative district. Requires the agriculture education program to arrange for opportunities for students to work, volunteer, or study on farms within a school's regional administrative district.



## DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

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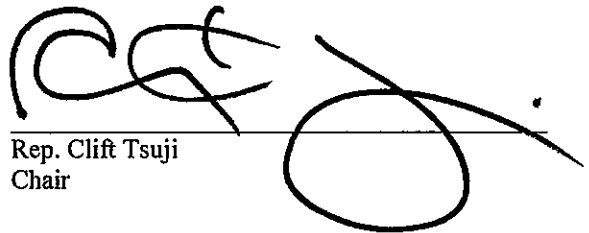
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