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COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT

Senator Mike Gabbard, Chair  
Senator J. Kalani English, Vice Chair

NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Tuesday, February 1, 2011  
TIME: 3:30 p.m.  
PLACE: Conference Room 225  
State Capitol  
415 South Beretania Street

A G E N D A

<a href="#"><u>SB 199</u></a>	RELATING TO RENEWABLE ENERGY.	ENE, CPN
<a href="#"><u>Testimony</u></a>	Increases the net metering system size cap to two megawatts. Ensures that net metering contracts cannot be canceled with the introduction of new distributed generation energy procurement programs. Eliminates the overall net energy metering program cap based on share of peak utility load.	
<a href="#"><u>Status</u></a>		
<a href="#"><u>SB 704</u></a>	RELATING TO RENEWABLE ENERGY.	ENE, CPN
<a href="#"><u>Testimony</u></a>	Exempts third-party customer-generated solar energy facilities and equipment from the definition of public utility; makes nonsubstantive technical amendments to the definition of public utility.	
<a href="#"><u>Status</u></a>		
<a href="#"><u>SB 703</u></a>	RELATING TO ENERGY.	ENE, CPN
<a href="#"><u>Testimony</u></a>	Requires the public utilities commission to adopt rules and issue orders relating to intra-governmental wheeling and inter-governmental wheeling that enable renewable energy producers operating on public lands to sell electricity directly to governmental entities located on the same island. Authorizes public utilities to charge a transmission and distribution fee for both intra-governmental wheeling and inter-governmental wheeling.	
<a href="#"><u>Status</u></a>		
<a href="#"><u>SB 1346</u></a>	RELATING TO RENEWABLE PORTFOLIO STANDARDS.	ENE, CPN
<a href="#"><u>Testimony</u></a>	Amends definition of "renewable electrical energy" to include, beginning 1/1/15, customer-sited, grid-connected renewable energy generation.	
<a href="#"><u>Status</u></a>		
<a href="#"><u>SB 188</u></a>	RELATING TO FOSSIL FUELS.	ENE, CPN
<a href="#"><u>Testimony</u></a>	Restricts any new construction of or expansion of existing fossil-fueled, electricity-generating facilities unless the electric utility company can demonstrate compliance with the renewable energy portfolio standards; exempts any retrofit or replacement for the purposes of improved efficiency or to lower greenhouse gas emissions; provides exemption if an emergency is declared.	
<a href="#"><u>Status</u></a>		



<p><b><u>SB 189</u></b></p> <p><a href="#">Testimony</a></p> <p><a href="#">Status</a></p>	<p>RELATING TO ENERGY.</p> <p>Ensures that agencies that enter into energy performance contracts shall continue to receive budget appropriations for energy expenditures in an amount that shall not fall below the pre-performance contract budget.</p>	<p>ENE, WAM</p>
<p><b><u>SB 153</u></b></p> <p><a href="#">Testimony</a></p> <p><a href="#">Status</a></p>	<p>RELATING TO RENEWABLE ENERGY.</p> <p>Amends the maximum tax credit allowable for wind-powered energy systems.</p>	<p>ENE, WAM</p>
<p><b><u>SB 720</u></b></p> <p><a href="#">Testimony</a></p> <p><a href="#">Status</a></p>	<p>RELATING TO TAXATION.</p> <p>Provides a rental motor vehicle surcharge tax exemption for new qualified plug-in electric drive motor vehicles.</p>	<p>ENE, WAM</p>
<p><b><u>SB 745</u></b></p> <p><a href="#">Testimony</a></p> <p><a href="#">Status</a></p>	<p>RELATING TO SEAWATER AIR CONDITIONING.</p> <p>Allows the sale of cooling from seawater air conditioning district cooling systems (SWAC) to qualify for state enterprise zone benefits. Establishes that contractors working on SWAC shall not be exempt from the general excise tax.</p>	<p>ENE, WAM</p>
<p><b><u>SB 1244</u></b></p> <p><a href="#">Testimony</a></p> <p><a href="#">Status</a></p>	<p>RELATING TO BIOFUELS.</p> <p>Modifies the renewable energy facility siting process to include biofuel production facilities and distribution infrastructure with capacity to produce or distribute one hundred thousand gallons or more of biofuel annually.</p>	<p>ENE, CPN</p>

**Decision Making to follow, if time permits.**

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- By Web: Testimony may be submitted online if less than 4MB in size, at <http://www.capitol.hawaii.gov/emailtestimony>.
- In person: 1 copy of their testimony to the committee clerk, Room 201, State Capitol.
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