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COMMITTEE REFERRALS

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Committee Abbreviations:

AGR - Agriculture	LAB - Labor & Public Employment
CPC - Consumer Protection & Commerce	LMG - Legislative Management
EDB - Economic Development & Business	OMH - Ocean, Marine Resources, & Hawaiian Affairs
EDN - Education	PBS - Public Safety
EEP - Energy & Environmental Protection	TOU - Tourism
FIN - Finance	TRN - Transportation
HED - Higher Education	VMI - Veterans, Military, & International Affairs, & Culture and the Arts
HLT - Health	WAL - Water & Land
HSG - Housing	
HUS - Human Services	
JUD - Judiciary	

	Committee <u>RE-REFERRAL</u>
<u>HB2639, HD1</u>	EEP/WAL, FIN
RELATING TO GEOTHERMAL RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT. Requires all penalties, fees, and costs established and collected by the DLNR pursuant to chapter 182, HRS, to be deposited in the special land and development fund. Includes geothermal resources within the definition of a renewable energy producer. Clarifies the permitting procedures for regulators and renewable energy developers considering geothermal development. Requires the use of an area or site within the conservation district for geothermal resources development to be governed by the BLNR. Authorizes certain county authorities to issue geothermal resource permits to allow geothermal resources development in an agricultural, rural, or urban district even if the development is not considered a permissible use under the applicable county zoning ordinances or general plan. Redefines "mining lease" to include lease of the right to conduct mining operations on reserved lands. Reserves all minerals in, on, or under reserved lands to the State. Requires persons wishing to conduct geothermal resources exploration on reserved lands to apply to BLNR for exploration permits. Increases maximum amount of fees for violations of chapter 182, HRS, or any rules adopted pursuant thereto. Authorizes BLNR or its authorized representative to set, charge, and collect administrative fines or bring legal action to recover damages arising from violations of chapter 182, HRS. (HB2639 HD1)	