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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE:      Friday, January 31, 2020  
TIME:      8:30 a.m.  
PLACE:     Conference Room 312  
              State Capitol  
              415 South Beretania Street

A G E N D A

HB 1819  
Status

RELATING TO HEMP.

AGR, JUD, FIN

Requires the State to seek approval from the federal Department of Agriculture of a state plan to monitor and regulate hemp. Establishes a statutory framework to monitor and regulate hemp. Establishes and appropriates funds for the hemp regulatory special fund. Excludes hemp from the State's prohibitions against marijuana. Appropriates funds to the College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources at the University of Hawaii for hemp research.

HB 2689  
Status

RELATING TO INDUSTRIAL HEMP.

AGR, JUD, FIN

Requires DOA to establish a permanent hemp program pursuant to federal law, and a corresponding special fund. Requires DOH to adopt rules for the licensing, inspection, and regulation of industrial hemp processing facilities. Reduces or repeals certain regulatory provisions of existing hemp pilot program. Establishes authorized cultivation of hemp as affirmative defense. Excludes hemp from the definition of marijuana. Requires chairperson of board of agriculture to prepare a state plan for approval of the federal Secretary of Agriculture and report on the approval process to legislature and governor. Appropriates funds.

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

Persons wishing to offer comments should submit testimony at least 24 hours prior to the hearing. Testimony should indicate:

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

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