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COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND ENVIRONMENT

Senator Mike Gabbard, Chair
Senator Clarence K. Nishihara, Vice Chair

NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Wednesday, February 3, 2021
TIME: 1:00 p.m.
PLACE: Via Videoconference

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| SB 232 Status & Testimony | RELATING TO LITTERING. Increases the maximum civil penalty for littering from \$500 to \$1,000. Increases the maximum fine for the offense of criminal littering from \$1,000 to \$5,000. | AEN, JDC |
| SB 345 Status & Testimony | RELATING TO COSMETICS. Bans the import for profit, sale, and offer for sale of any cosmetic in the State if the final product or any component of the final product was developed or manufactured using animal testing performed on or after 1/1/2022. Effective 1/1/2022. | AEN, JDC/CPN |
| SB 347 Status & Testimony | RELATING TO LITTER CONTROL. Prohibits the intentional release of balloons inflated with a gas that is lighter than air. | AEN, JDC |
| SB 348 Status & Testimony | RELATING TO BOTTLED WATER. Repeals the requirement that noncarbonated bottled water be transported, stored, processed, or bottled through lines or equipment through which only water is passed. | AEN, CPN |
| SB 351 Status & Testimony | RELATING TO ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENTS. Amends the statutory requirement for the Environmental Council to prepare an annual report by January 31 of each year. Repeals the requirement that allows for hearing appeals from applicant actions where an environmental impact statement was not accepted by the accepting authority. | AEN, JDC |

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| <p>SB 502</p> <p>Status & Testimony</p> | <p>PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE I OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF HAWAII TO GUARANTEE ALL INDIVIDUALS THE RIGHT TO HAVE A CLEAN AND HEALTHY ENVIRONMENT.</p> <p>Proposes a constitutional amendment which guarantees individuals the right to a clean and healthy environment, including pure water, clean air, healthy ecosystems, and a stable climate, and to the preservation of the natural, cultural, scenic and healthful qualities of the environment. Self-executing. Clarifies that the rights guaranteed may not be diminished by Article XI, Section 9, of the Constitution.</p> | <p>AEN, JDC</p> |
| <p>SB 580</p> <p>Status & Testimony</p> | <p>RELATING TO BEACHES.</p> <p>Amends the definition of "water pollutant" as used in chapter 342D, HRS, relating to water pollution, to exclude locally sourced sand that meets certain conditions.</p> | <p>AEN, JDC</p> |
| <p>SB 582</p> <p>Status & Testimony</p> | <p>RELATING TO THE ENVIRONMENT.</p> <p>Amends the definition of "water pollutant" as used in chapter 342D, HRS, relating to water pollution, to include plastic.</p> | <p>AEN, JDC</p> |
| <p>SB 777</p> <p>Status & Testimony</p> | <p>RELATING TO THE CRIMINAL DESTRUCTION OF TREES.</p> <p>Establishes a criminal statute for the criminal destruction of a tree on state or county property punishable as a misdemeanor.</p> | <p>AEN, JDC</p> |

Decision Making to follow, if time permits.

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Senator Mike Gabbard
Chair