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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE:        Tuesday, February 9, 2021  
TIME:        9:15 a.m.  
PLACE:       VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE  
                 Conference Room 430  
                 State Capitol  
                 415 South Beretania Street

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A G E N D A

[HB 58](#)  
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RELATING TO STATE FUNDS.

WAL/HSG, FIN

Temporarily reallocates conveyance tax revenues for purposes of paying the principal and interest of general obligation bonds. Authorizes the issuance of general obligation bonds to be appropriated into and out of the land conservation fund and rental housing revolving fund.

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<a href="#"><u>HB 1014</u></a> <a href="#"><u>Status</u></a>	RELATING TO AUTHORIZING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO LEASE PASTURE LANDS ON TERMS THAT PROMOTE COLLABORATIVE BENEFICIAL USE FOR FORESTRY, WILDLIFE, RECREATIONAL, AND FOOD PRODUCTION PURPOSES. Authorizes the Board of Land and Natural Resources to amend and extend existing pasture leases and to issue new pasture leases by negotiation in furtherance of public purposes the Department of Land and Natural Resources is responsible for promoting.	WAL, CPC, FIN
<a href="#"><u>HB 469</u></a> <a href="#"><u>Status</u></a>	RELATING TO THE TRANSFER OF NON-AGRICULTURAL PARK LANDS. Requires the department of land natural resources and department of agriculture to meet and identify the non-agricultural park lands that should be rezoned as those in the conservation district. Requires that agricultural lands under the jurisdiction of the department of land and natural resources be transferred to the department of agriculture not later than 12/31/2023. Requires the department of land and natural resources and department of agriculture to meet every five years to discuss transferring remaining lands. Requires the department of agriculture to inquire about any easements needed by the department of land and natural resources before offering a lease.	WAL, FIN
<a href="#"><u>HB 1144</u></a> <a href="#"><u>Status</u></a>	RELATING TO AGRICULTURE. Exempts from general excise tax law amounts received from the interisland transportation and related loading and unloading of livestock. Requires the public utilities commission to authorize preferential water carrier service rates by tariff for ratepayers that operate farms or ranches located in any county with a population equal to or less than 500,000.	WAL, CPC, FIN
<a href="#"><u>HB 320</u></a> <a href="#"><u>Status</u></a>	RELATING TO HISTORIC PRESERVATION. Makes it a civil and administrative violation for any person to engage in certain archaeological activities without obtaining the required permission or approval from the department of land and natural resources.	WAL, JHA, FIN
<a href="#"><u>HB 821</u></a> <a href="#"><u>Status</u></a>	RELATING TO HISTORIC PRESERVATION. Authorizes the state historic preservation division to delegate the responsibility of historic preservation project reviews to the impacted county and establish a program for third-party individuals and organizations to conduct document reviews on proposed projects.	WAL, JHA, FIN

[HB 1348](#)  
[Status](#)

RELATING TO THE STADIUM DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT.  
Establishes the stadium development district special fund. Revises the general development guidance policies for the stadium development district and clarifies the respective roles the stadium authority and Hawaii community development authority in the development of the stadium development district. Broadens the powers and duties of the stadium authority, including authorizing the stadium authority to acquire and hold title to real property. Exempts land to which the stadium authority holds title from the definition of "public lands." Authorizes the Hawaii community development authority, with approval from the governor, to delegate to other state agencies implementation of capital improvement projects, under certain conditions. Broadens the representation of the stadium authority by adding two members to its membership. Amends the general bond authorization made by Act 268, Session Laws of Hawaii 2019. Makes the financial disclosures of members of the stadium authority public records pursuant to section 84-17(d), Hawaii Revised Statutes.

WAL, CPC/JHA,  
FIN

[HB 823](#)  
[Status](#)

RELATING TO PUBLIC LAND LIABILITY.  
Repeals the task force on beach and water safety and risk assessment working group. Requires the design and placement of warning signs, devices, and systems on certain areas of the State to be approved by the chairperson of the board of land and natural resources and the respective county mayors.

WAL, JHA, FIN

[HB 246](#)  
[Status](#)

RELATING TO COASTAL PROTECTION.  
Authorizes BLNR to lease state submerged lands for private seawalls, with lease rents to be ten per cent of the real property tax assessment. Requires BLNR to adopt rules to limit temporary structures approved under emergency permits for shoreline protection and the stabilization of shoreline erosion to a maximum of three years, after which the temporary structure must be removed, unless BLNR approves the structure as a permanent structure.

WAL, JHA, FIN

[HB 1122](#)  
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RELATING TO THE HAWAIIAN HOMES COMMISSION ACT.  
Defines "beneficiary consultation". Prohibits the department of Hawaiian home lands from disposing or extending a general lease to non-beneficiaries, unless there are no applicants seeking to enter into a general lease to the use and occupancy of a tract of Hawaiian home lands. Requires the department to notify beneficiaries through beneficiary consultation prior to the disposition of Hawaiian home lands. Adds language to require Section 204 lessees mandate Homestead Beneficiary Agreements. Prohibits the department from establishing additional criteria to enter into a general lease with an applicant, under certain conditions. Specifies that the department may grant a license or enter into a general lease, under certain conditions. Allocates the interest or other earnings from the Hawaiian home loan fund and Hawaiian home general loan fund into their respective funds, under certain conditions. Requires the department to submit a quarterly report to the legislature and beneficiaries. Authorizes the department to negotiate with homestead association governed water agencies to maintain water systems prior to other service providers, under certain conditions.

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<a href="#">HB 1124</a> <a href="#">Status</a>	RELATING TO THE HAWAIIAN HOMES COMMISSION ACT. Amends the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act to require appraisals of improvements to identify the replacement cost or the leasehold market value. Grants authority to DHHL, to authorize second position loans on homestead leases by approved lenders. Requires DHHL to develop and implement a loan servicing manual, subject to commission approval, to standardize loan loss mitigation policies, procedures, and methods. Clarifies that DHHL shall not cancel a lease solely based on a loan default or delinquency unless all loan loss mitigation procedures are exhausted pursuant to the loan services manual.	WAL, JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB 588</a> <a href="#">Status</a>	RELATING TO ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION. Establishes the Lipoa point special management area and a visitor fee to be used for the management and maintenance of the Lipoa point special management area and to educate visitors of the stewardship activities being funded by the visitor fees. Creates the Lipoa point special management area special fund. Requires reports to the legislature.	WAL, JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB 858</a> <a href="#">Status</a>	RELATING TO ELECTRIC HYDROFOIL SURFBOARDS. Requires the counties to issue permits for the operation of electric hydrofoil surfboards. Prohibits the operation of electric hydrofoil surfboards in the waters of west and south Maui between December 15 and May 15.	WAL, CPC, FIN
<a href="#">HB 1276</a> <a href="#">Status</a>	RELATING TO STATE PARKS. Allows the board of land and natural resources to adopt, amend, or repeal administrative fee schedules for certain activities related to state parks through regular or special board meetings rather than through administrative rulemaking. Appropriates funds out of the state parks special fund to raise the expenditure ceiling of the special fund.	WAL, JHA, FIN
<a href="#">HB 1257</a> <a href="#">Status</a>	RELATING TO THE INVASIVE SPECIES COUNCIL. Transfers the invasive species council from the department of land and natural resources to the department of agriculture for administrative purposes.	WAL, JHA, FIN

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

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Rep. Nadine K. Nakamura  
Chair

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