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COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND ENVIRONMENT

Senator Mike Gabbard, Chair
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AMENDED NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Monday, March 14, 2022
TIME: 1:00 PM
PLACE: Conference Room 224 & Videoconference

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A M E N D E D A G E N D A

HB 1499, HD1 (HSCR745-22) Status & Testimony	RELATING TO FOOD SAFETY. Requires the department of agriculture to partner with a Hawaii entity to establish a pilot USDA Harmonized GAP food safety training and certification program to help small- and medium-sized farms obtain the United States Department of Agriculture's Harmonized Good Agricultural Practices certification. Appropriates funds. Effective 7/1/2050. (HD1)	AEN, WAM
HB 1714, HD1 (HSCR748-22) Status & Testimony	RELATING TO TWO-LINED SPITTLEBUGS. Appropriates funds to the department of agriculture for the mitigation and control of the two-lined spittlebug, recovery of the rangelands and pastures damaged by the invasive pest, and research. Effective 7/1/2050. (HD1)	AEN, WAM
HB 2062, HD1 (HSCR749-22) Status & Testimony	RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL LOANS. Establishes the agricultural emergency loan revolving fund, to be administered by the department of agriculture, to fund class D emergency loans. Provides a separate source of funding for emergency agricultural loans. Appropriates funds. Effective 7/1/2050. (HD1)	AEN, WAM
HB 2307, HD1 (HSCR751-22) Status & Testimony	RELATING TO FOOD SAFETY. Appropriates funds to the department of agriculture to provide education and support to local businesses regarding the federal Food and Drug Administration's industry guidance on colored sea salt. Effective 7/1/2050. (HD1)	AEN, WAM

<p><u>HB 2256, HD1</u> <u>(HSCR913-22)</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u></p>	<p><u>RELATING TO A DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION.</u> <u>Establishes a department of environmental protection on July 1, 2026. Creates a department of environmental protection working group to address the logistics required for the State to establish a department of environmental protection. Requires the working group to submit a report to the legislature prior to the 2025 regular session. Effective 7/1/2100. (HD1)</u></p>	<p><u>AEN, WAM</u> [Measure added on 3-11-22]</p>
<p><u>HB 2466, HD2</u> <u>(HSCR806-22)</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u></p>	<p><u>RELATING TO TARO.</u> <u>Exempts the gross proceeds or income received from the sale of any product resulting from the cultivation and production of unprocessed taro in the State from the general excise tax. Effective 10/18/2050. (HD2)</u></p>	<p><u>AEN, WAM</u> [Measure added on 3-11-22]</p>
<p><u>HB 2418, HD2</u> <u>(HSCR964-22)</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u></p>	<p><u>RELATING TO AGRICULTURE.</u> <u>Amends the focus, scope, and management of the agribusiness development corporation (ADC). Appropriates funds to ADC for a consultant for planning, an accountant, and for security on ADC property. Repeals the requirement that all agricultural projects, agricultural development plans, and project facility programs developed by ADC be approved by the board of agriculture before implementation. Effective 7/1/2050. (HD2)</u></p>	<p><u>AEN, WAM</u> [Measure added on 3-11-22]</p>
<p><u>HB 2280, HD2</u> <u>(HSCR932-22)</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u></p>	<p><u>RELATING TO REAL PROPERTY.</u> <u>Specifies that planned community associations cannot prohibit or unreasonably restrict the use of a member's enclosed yard area for personal agriculture. Effective 7/1/2050. (HD2)</u></p>	<p><u>AEN, CPN</u> [Measure added on 3-11-22]</p>
<p><u>HB 2061, HD1</u> <u>(HSCR804-22)</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u></p>	<p><u>RELATING TO THE ANIMAL INDUSTRY SPECIAL FUND.</u> <u>Adds new sources of revenues generated by the State Veterinary Laboratory and Animal Disease Control Branch as sources for the Animal Industry Special Fund. Effective 7/1/2050. (HD1)</u></p>	<p><u>AEN, WAM</u> [Measure added on 3-11-22]</p>
<p><u>HB 1810, HD1</u> <u>(HSCR1002-22)</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u></p>	<p><u>RELATING TO THE ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COUNCIL.</u> <u>Defines what constitutes a quorum for the environmental advisory council. Specifies the number of votes required to make any action of the council valid. Effective 7/1/2050. (HD1)</u></p>	<p><u>AEN, JDC/WAM</u> [Measure added on 3-11-22]</p>
<p><u>HB 1712, HD1</u> <u>(HSCR899-22)</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u></p>	<p><u>RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL LANDS.</u> <u>Prohibits siting of waste disposal facilities on important agricultural lands and agricultural lands with class A and B productivity ratings. Effective 7/1/2050. (HD1)</u></p>	<p><u>AEN, JDC/WAM</u> [Measure added on 3-11-22]</p>
<p><u>HB 1644, HD1</u> <u>(HSCR824-22)</u> <u>Status & Testimony</u></p>	<p><u>RELATING TO ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION.</u> <u>Bans the manufacture, sale, or distribution for sale or use of wraps and liners, plates, food boats, pizza boxes, and firefighting foams that contain perfluoroalkyl and polyfluoroalkyl substances. Effective 7/1/2100. (HD1)</u></p>	<p><u>AEN, CPN/WAM</u> [Measure added on 3-11-22]</p>

Decision Making to follow, if time permits.

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Senator Mike Gabbard
Chair