

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
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COMMITTEE ON ENERGY & ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE:      Tuesday, February 15, 2022  
TIME:      9:45AM  
PLACE:     VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE  
              Conference Room 325  
              State Capitol  
              415 South Beretania Street

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A G E N D A

[HB 1501](#)  
[Status](#)

RELATING TO THE HAWAII NATURAL ENERGY INSTITUTE.      EEP, FIN  
Establishes the research partnership program within the Hawaii natural energy institute that allows businesses or private entities to partner with or utilize research conducted by the institute for the purposes of expansion, under certain conditions.

[HB 1937](#)  
[Status](#)

RELATING TO THE HAWAII HYDROGEN STRATEGIC PLAN.      EEP, FIN  
Requires the Hawaii Natural Energy Institute to conduct a study to examine the State's ability to advance hydrogen production from local renewable energy resources and develop the Hawaii Hydrogen Strategic Plan utilizing the results of its study, which shall be reviewed and updated every four years. Requires a report to the Legislature. Appropriates funds.



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| <a href="#"><u>HB 1682</u></a><br><a href="#"><u>Status</u></a>   | RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS TO ASSIST NEXT LEVEL SOLUTIONS GROUP INC.<br>Authorizes the issuance of special purpose revenue bonds to assist Next Level Solutions Group Inc. in developing a waste-to-energy facility.   | EEP, FIN      |
| <a href="#"><u>HB 2203</u></a><br><a href="#"><u>Status</u></a>   | RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS TO ASSIST DIBSHAWAII LLC.<br>Authorizes the issuance of special purpose revenue bonds to assist DIBSHawaii LLC in the construction of a net zero carbon capture storage utilization platform that will recover vented carbon dioxide emissions and scrub them into food grade liquid carbon dioxide.  | EEP, FIN      |
| <a href="#"><u>HB 2042</u></a><br><a href="#"><u>Status</u></a>   | RELATING TO SOLAR ENERGY.<br>Permits the governing body of a county to create, by ordinance, a process for the recordation and enforcement of solar easements. Allows counties to require individuals claiming a solar right to record that right by filing a declaration with the county clerk. Permits the governing body of a county to require, by ordinance, the trimming of vegetation that blocks solar radiation from solar energy devices. Authorizes the ordinance to include a designation for the cost of trimming. | EEP, JHA      |
| <a href="#"><u>HB 1992, HD1</u></a><br><a href="#"><u>(HSCR147-22)</u></a><br><a href="#"><u>Status</u></a> | RELATING TO THE ENVIRONMENT.<br>Permits composting and co-composting operations in agricultural districts. Appropriates funds to restore an environmental health specialist IV position to the solid and hazardous waste branch of the department of health. Effective 7/1/2050. (HD1)  | AGR, EEP, FIN |

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

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Testimony submitted will be placed on the legislative website. This public posting of testimony on the website should be considered when including personal information in your testimony.

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Rep. Nicole E. Lowen  
Chair

