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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Tuesday, February 1, 2022
TIME: 8:30 am
PLACE: VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE
Conference Room 430
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

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A G E N D A

[HB 1653](#)
[Status](#)

RELATING TO AQUATIC RESOURCES.
Authorizes the imposition of a criminal fine for violations involving aquatic resources. Establishes a tiered administrative fine system for each specimen of aquatic life taken, killed, or injured. Establishes a criminal fine structure on a per-specimen basis for violations involving aquatic life. Authorizes the department of land and natural resources to recommend community service that benefits the resource damaged when a person is ordered to perform community service in lieu of a fine.

WAL, JHA, FIN

[HB 1900](#)
[Status](#)

RELATING TO THRILL CRAFT.
Updates the definition of thrill craft, as used in the state boating law, and includes within the term surfboards using a motorized hydrofoil.

WAL, CPC, FIN

[HB 1712](#)
[Status](#)

RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL LANDS.
Prohibits the use of important agricultural lands and lands with class A productivity ratings for waste disposal.

WAL, CPC, FIN



HB 1668 Status	RELATING TO SOIL CLASSIFICATIONS. Requires the Office of Planning and Sustainable Development to conduct a study of the suitability of the State's current soil overall (master) productivity rating system classified by the Land Study Bureau's detailed land classification. Requires a report to the Legislature. Appropriates funds.	WAL, AGR, FIN
HB 511 Status	RELATING TO REAL PROPERTY. Requires an applicant seeking to register more than 10 acres of land with either the land court or the bureau of conveyances to provide a sworn affidavit that the community where the land is located has been given notice of the applicant's intended use of the land and provide a copy of the notice.	WAL, JHA, FIN
HB 1602 Status	RELATING TO LAND LIABILITY. Creates strict liability for an owner of land with a twenty per cent or more slope for damage or injury to down-slope property and persons from falling rocks, debris, and landslides originating from the owner's property.	WAL, JHA, FIN
HB 1655 Status	RELATING TO SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREAS. Expands exclusions from the definition of "development" as it applies to special management areas to reduce the need for special management area permits for certain activities.	WAL, JHA, FIN
HB 1431 Status	RELATING TO SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREAS. Exempts public facilities from review and permitting requirements applicable to special management areas by amending the definition of "development".	WAL, CPC, FIN
HB 1840 Proposed HD1 Status	RELATING TO DISTRICT BOUNDARY AMENDMENTS. Proposed HD1: Authorizes the appropriate county land use decision-making authority to determine district boundary amendments involving land areas over fifteen acres but less than or equal to fifty acres if the county has adopted an ordinance that meets certain requirements, including the requirement that the district boundary amendment is necessary to produce housing, sixty per cent of which shall be reserved for occupants whose incomes do not exceed one hundred forty per cent of the area median income. (PROPOSED HD1)	WAL, CPC, FIN
HB 1670 Status	RELATING TO LAND USE DISTRICT BOUNDARIES. Establishes a boundary review committee to render decisions on district boundary disputes brought before the land use commission.	WAL, JHA, FIN
HB 1788 Status	RELATING TO WAIAKEA PENINSULA REDEVELOPMENT. Establishes the Waiakea peninsula redevelopment district and planning committee for the redevelopment of public lands on the Waiakea peninsula. Establishes the Waiakea peninsula redevelopment district revolving fund. Makes an appropriation. Sunsets June 30, 2032.	WAL, JHA, FIN

The proposed HD1 is available on the Legislature's Web site: <http://www.capitol.hawaii.gov>.

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW



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Chair

