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COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION

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COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND ENVIRONMENT

Senator Mike Gabbard, Chair  
Senator Herbert M. "Tim" Richards, III, Vice Chair

NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Tuesday, March 19, 2024  
TIME: 9:30 AM  
PLACE: Conference Room 229 & Videoconference  
State Capitol  
415 South Beretania Street  
TIMESLOT: CPN

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A G E N D A

[HB 1527, HD1](#)

[\(HSCR651-24\)](#)

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RELATING TO VETERINARY MEDICINE.  
Prohibits animal owners and their employees from performing any surgical procedures on the owner's animal or animals. Provides that a violation of the prohibition is a class C felony. Clarifies that the offense of cruelty to animals in the first degree does not apply to accepted veterinary practices when the practices are performed by a licensed veterinarian. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)

AEN/CPN, JDC

[HB 1688, HD2](#)

[\(HSCR1030-24\)](#)

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RELATING TO THE ENVIRONMENT.  
Requires the Department of Health to conduct a statewide needs assessment and establish an advisory council to determine what would be needed to transition to a more circular system with less waste generation, more reuse, and an extended producer responsibility program for packaging materials and paper products. Appropriates funds. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD2)

AEN/CPN, WAM

Decision Making to follow, if time permits.

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Senator Mike Gabbard  
Chair

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Senator Jarrett Keohokalole  
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