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COMMITTEE ON ENERGY & ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION

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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Tuesday, March 12, 2024
TIME: 9:00am
PLACE: VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE
 Conference Room 325
 State Capitol
 415 South Beretania Street

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A G E N D A

SB 2768, SD1 (SSCR3023) Status	RELATING TO GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS. Requires the Hawaii State Energy Office to adopt rules governing a clean fuel standard for gasoline and diesel in the State. Takes effect 1/1/2060. (SD1)	EEP, CPC, FIN
SB 2505, SD2 (SSCR2787) Status	RELATING TO THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION. Establishes system resilience as a metric that is monitored and considered by the Public Utilities Commission. Allows the Hawaii electricity reliability surcharge to be transferred to the Commission. Takes effect 7/1/2040. (SD2)	EEP, CPC, FIN
SB 3010, SD1 (SSCR2773) Status	RELATING TO RENEWABLE ENERGY. Requires the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism to direct the Hawaii State Energy Office, and work with utility companies and other renewable energy developers, on all applicable planning, leasing, and permitting processes, to expedite the development of renewable energy resources. (SD1)	EEP, CPC, FIN



[SB 2575](#)
[\(SSCR2947\)](#)
[Status](#)

RELATING TO THE ENVIRONMENT.

EEP, WAL, FIN

Prohibits the mining, extraction, and removal of minerals from the seabed in all state marine waters, under certain conditions. Prohibits the issuance of any permit for or in connection with the development or operation of any facility or infrastructure associated with the mining, extraction, or removal of minerals from the seabed within state marine waters.

[SB 3195, SD2](#)
[\(SSCR2869\)](#)
[Status](#)

RELATING TO RENEWABLE ENERGY.

EEP, CPC, FIN

Amends the definition of "renewable energy producer" in section 171-95, HRS, which allows the Board of Land and Natural Resources to lease public lands to renewable energy producers without public auction, to: incorporate the definition of "renewable energy" as defined in section 269-91, HRS; repeal the requirement that the renewable energy producer sell all of the net power produced from the public land to electric utility companies regulated under chapter 269, HRS, and all of the thermal energy it produces to customers of district cooling systems; and include any provider of district heating or cooling services utilizing renewable energy. Takes effect 1/1/2060. (SD2)

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

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Rep. Nicole E. Lowen
Chair

