

THE SENATE  
KA 'AHA KENEKOA

THE THIRTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE  
REGULAR SESSION OF 2024

[COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION AND CULTURE AND THE ARTS](#)

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[COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND ENVIRONMENT](#)

Senator Mike Gabbard, Chair  
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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Thursday, February 8, 2024  
TIME: 3:00 PM  
PLACE: Conference Room 224 & Videoconference  
State Capitol  
415 South Beretania Street  
TIMESLOT: TCA

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A G E N D A

[SB 3237](#)

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RELATING TO AGRICULTURE.

Facilitates the control and eradication of invasive species and pests. Establishes a plant nursery licensing program. Requires the Department of Agriculture to designate certain species as pests for control or eradication. Imposes certain limits on imports and transportation. Updates the method by which the Department's noxious weed list is updated.

AEN/TCA,  
JDC/WAM

[SB 2815](#)

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RELATING TO INFRASTRUCTURE.

Establishes a working group to conduct a comprehensive study to assess the State's port and harbor system and the potential viability of each location in that system to support current and future agricultural product transportation methods and needs. Declares that the appropriation exceeds the state general fund expenditure ceiling for 2024-2025. Appropriates moneys.

TCA/AEN, WAM

[SB 3013](#)

[Status &  
Testimony](#)

RELATING TO INVASIVE SPECIES.

Appropriates funds to the Department of Transportation for the coordinated removal of albizia and other invasive trees. Requires matching funds from public utilities.

TCA/AEN,  
WAM/CPN

**SB 2769**

[Status & Testimony](#)

RELATING TO CLIMATE CHANGE.

Requires all state, county, and private bus operators to upgrade to zero emission buses by 2045.

TCA/AEN,  
CPN/WAM

**SB 2967**

[Status & Testimony](#)

RELATING TO STATE VEHICLES.

Mandates that fifty per cent of all heavy-duty motor vehicles in the State's fleet be hydrogen vehicles by an unspecified date. Mandates that one hundred per cent of all heavy-duty motor vehicles in the State's fleet be hydrogen vehicles by December 31, 2035. Defines heavy-duty motor vehicle and hydrogen vehicle.

TCA/AEN,  
CPN/WAM

Decision Making to follow, if time permits.

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Chair

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