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COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND ENVIRONMENT

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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Wednesday, February 14, 2024
TIME: 1:46 PM
PLACE: Conference Room 224 & Videoconference
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street
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A G E N D A

SB 2936

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RELATING TO AGRICULTURE.
Appropriates moneys to the Department of Agriculture for the planning and construction of a new inspection, quarantine, and incineration facility on the island of Maui. Declares that the appropriation exceeds the state general fund expenditure ceiling for 2024-2025.

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SB 2574

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RELATING TO RENEWABLE FUEL.
Establishes a tax credit for the import of renewable fuel.
Updates the renewable fuels production tax credit.

AEN/EET, WAM

SB 2364

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RELATING TO AGRICULTURE.
Establishes a Plant-Based Building Materials Working Group to report on how best to grow plants and develop plant-based building materials in Hawaii and provide economic development and green jobs while sequestering greenhouse gases to help achieve the State's climate target.

AEN/EET, WAM

SB 2428

Status &
Testimony

RELATING TO AGRICULTURE.

Establishes the Hawaii Agricultural Investment Program within the Agribusiness Development Corporation to support local agricultural producers. Requires annual reports. Declares that the general fund expenditure ceiling is exceeded. Appropriates funds for program and positions.

AEN/EET, WAM

SB 2079

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RELATING TO THE IMPORTATION OF PLANTS AND ANIMALS.

Allows the State of Hawaii Plant and Animal Declaration Form to be distributed, completed, and transmitted electronically.

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Decision Making to follow, if time permits.

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Senator Lynn DeCoite
Chair

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