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# **NOTICE OF HEARING**

DATE: Tuesday, February 6, 2024

TIME: 9:05 AM

PLACE: VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE

Conference Room 325

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

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#### AGENDA

HB 1839 RELATING TO THE ENVIRONMENT. WAL/EEP, FIN

Appropriates funds for long-term monitoring of air and water quality for communities impacted by the Maui wildfires, as well as support for research efforts to better understand the environmental concerns linked

to urban fires.

HB 1840 RELATING TO THE ENVIRONMENT. WAL/EEP, FIN

<u>Status</u> Appropriates funds to the Department of Land and Natural Resources

to support long-term water quality monitoring and pollution source

detection.

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Status

HB 2095 Status	RELATING TO EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT.  Specifies some of the measures the Director of Health may take in response to emergency circumstances affecting the availability of safe drinking water or the discovery of contamination in a public water source.	WAL/EEP, JHA
HB 2407 Status	RELATING TO WILDFIRE RISK MITIGATION.  Creates a process for electric utilities to develop and submit wildfire protection plans to the Public Utilities Commission for approval and allow the recovery of related costs and expenses through securitization, while avoiding a disproportionate impact on a specific ratepayer or county.	WAL/EEP, CPC/JHA, FIN
HB 2690 Status	RELATING TO WATER. Establishes a WAI policy coordinator and other positions within the Department of Land and Natural Resources for coordination of Red Hill WAI initiatives. Creates the Red Hill remediation special fund. Appropriates funds.	WAL/EEP, FIN
HB 2691 Status	RELATING TO THE RED HILL REMEDIATION AUTHORITY. Establishes the Red Hill remediation authority. Creates the Red Hill remediation special fund.	WAL/EEP, FIN
HB 2453 Status	RELATING TO WATER INFRASTRUCTURE. Authorizes the department of health to transfer federal capitalization grant funds between the Water Pollution Control Revolving Fund and the Drinking Water Treatment Revolving Loan Fund, in accordance with title 40 Code of Federal Regulations section 35.3530(c).	WAL/EEP, FIN
HB 1545 Status	RELATING TO ADAPTATION PATHWAYS PLANNING. Expands the authority of the State and counties to develop adaptation pathways plans to modify and relocate infrastructure away from critically threatened areas to locations outside sea level rise and coastal flooding exposure areas. Appropriates funds.	WAL/EEP, FIN
HB 2654 Status	RELATING TO BUILDING CODES. Clarifies that no state or county building code shall prohibit the use of a substitute refrigerant allowed by the Environmental Protection Agency if the applicable equipment is listed and installed in compliance with the latest safety standards.	WAL/EEP, CPC
HB 1552 Status	RELATING TO THE STATE PARKS SPECIAL FUND. Allows the Department of Land and Natural Resources to expend the moneys from the State Parks Special Fund for programs aimed at environmental protection.	WAL/EEP, FIN

# **DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW**

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