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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Tuesday, March 18, 2025
TIME: 2:15 p.m.
PLACE: VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE
 Conference Room 325
 State Capitol
 415 South Beretania Street

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A G E N D A

[SB 1257, SD1, HD1](#)
[\(HSCR1220\)](#)
[Status](#)

RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL CRIME.
Establishes a permanent Agricultural Crimes Task Force to address the issue of agricultural crime in the State. Establishes the offense of agricultural crime to increase penalties for committing certain property crimes on agricultural property. Appropriates funds. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)

AGR, JHA, FIN

[SB 1249, SD1, HD1](#)
[\(HSCR1241\)](#)
[Status](#)

RELATING TO AGRICULTURE.
Establishes an agricultural crime prevention program within the Department of Agriculture to provide grants, education, administrative enforcement, and other services for the benefit of the State's agricultural industry. Clarifies, creates, and strengthens laws regarding crimes and violations related to agriculture or agricultural lands and hunting on private agricultural lands. Establishes clear distinctions between administrative and criminal penalties. Appropriates funds. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)

AGR, JHA, FIN



SB 1657, SD2, HD1 (HSCR1225) Status	<p>RELATING TO THE AGRIBUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION.</p> <p>Authorizes the Agribusiness Development Corporation to acquire by condemnation any real property or interest in real property, under certain conditions. Prohibits any real property acquired by the Corporation by condemnation from subsequently being transferred or taken for any other public use without the Corporation's consent. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	<p>AGR, JHA, FIN</p>
SB 562, SD2, HD1 (HSCR1223) Status	<p>RELATING TO INVASIVE SPECIES.</p> <p>Establishes a Plant Nursery Registry Program to regulate the sale of nursery stock. Requires certain plant nurseries to register with the Department of Agriculture. Establishes penalties. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	<p>AGR, JHA, FIN</p>
SB 252, SD2, HD1 (HSCR1227) Status	<p>RELATING TO INVASIVE SPECIES.</p> <p>Clarifies that the importation of any pest or material infested or infected with an insect or other animal, disease, or pest is prohibited. Authorizes the Department of Agriculture to administratively inspect, without good cause, any article imported or moved into the State from the continental United States or between the Hawaiian Islands. Prohibits the sale, barter, or donation of material that is a pest or is infested with a pest. Authorizes the Department of Agriculture to compel the quarantine, treatment, or destruction of certain materials. Clarifies penalties for various quarantine and import law violations, based in part on whether violations were knowingly committed. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	<p>AGR, JHA, FIN</p>
SB 1221, SD2, HD1 (HSCR1265) Status	<p>RELATING TO STORMWATER MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS.</p> <p>Requires the counties to adopt ordinances for the regulation of retention and detention ponds. Requires the counties to conduct a survey of existing retention and detention ponds and make a report to the Legislature. Appropriates funds as a grant-in-aid to the counties. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	<p>WAL, JHA, FIN</p>
SB 353, SD2, HD1 (HSCR1243) Status	<p>RELATING TO EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT.</p> <p>Amends chapter 127A, HRS, to clarify state and county authority. Prohibits the Governor or Mayor from suspending requests for public records or vital specifics during a state of emergency. Adds definition of the term "severe warning". Allows the Legislature and county councils to terminate a state of emergency, in whole or in part, issued by the Governor or Mayor, respectively. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)</p>	<p>PBS, JHA, FIN</p>
SB 224, SD1 (HSCR1202) Status	<p>RELATING TO IDENTIFICATION.</p> <p>Requires the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, in collaboration with various agencies and upon request of the inmates, to assist inmates in obtaining the inmates' civil identification card, birth certificate, social security card, and other relevant identification necessary for successful reentry into society, as soon as practicable. Requires the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation to initiate the process of obtaining identifying documents for inmates released to work furlough, extended furlough, or community placement programs, by providing the forms necessary for the inmate to obtain civil identification cards and other identifying documents to the inmate as soon as practicable. (SD1)</p>	<p>PBS, JHA, FIN</p>



[SB 816, SD2, HD1
\(HSCR1239\)
Status](#)

RELATING TO DUE PROCESS PROTECTIONS.
Establishes the Due Process in Immigration Proceedings Program to provide legal representation to individuals in immigration-related proceedings in immigration court. Requires reports to the Legislature. Appropriates funds. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)

ECD, JHA, FIN

[SB 307, SD2, HD1
\(HSCR1256\)
Status](#)

RELATING TO RECORDINGS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITIES.
Establishes the right of a person to record law enforcement activities. Establishes a private right of action for any violation of the right to record law enforcement activities. Effective 7/1/3000. (HD1)

LAB, JHA, FIN

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

Persons wishing to offer comments should submit testimony at least **24 hours** prior to the hearing. Testimony received after this time will be stamped late and left to the discretion of the chair to consider. While every effort will be made to incorporate all testimony received, materials received on the day of the hearing or improperly identified or directed, may not be processed.

Testimony submitted will be placed on the legislative website. This public posting of testimony on the website should be considered when including personal information in your testimony.

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Rep. David A. Tarnas
Chair



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