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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Thursday, February 12, 2015  
TIME: 8:30 a.m.  
PLACE: Conference Room 325  
State Capitol  
415 South Beretania Street

A G E N D A

<u>HB 1087</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION. Raises the amount of the tax deposited into the Environmental Response Revolving Fund from five cents per barrel to fifteen cents per barrel to support environmental activities and programs. Establishes a task force regarding field-constructed underground storage tanks in Hawaii.	EEP, FIN
<u>HB 1471</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO THE FUNDING OF GOVERNMENT PROGRAMS. Applies the state environmental response tax to fossil fuel other than petroleum product and bases the tax on one million British thermal units (MBTU). Defines "fossil fuel" to exclude petroleum product. Authorizes DOH to establish and collect fees for permits issued and services rendered for its environmental health programs in the areas of hazardous evaluation and emergency response, environmental management division, clean water branch, safe drinking water branch, and solid and hazardous waste branch.	EEP, FIN
<u>HB 1470</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO DISPOSITION OF TAX REVENUES. Establishes maximum dollar amounts that shall be distributed among certain non-general funds from the environmental response, energy, and food security tax. Retains provision that the general fund receive the remainder after distribution.	EEP, FIN
<u>HB 816</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO AIR QUALITY MEASUREMENT. Establishes requirements for air quality samples that are taken in emissions investigations within urban districts.	EEP, CPC
<u>HB 872</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO NATURAL RESOURCES. Provides that naturally occurring beach sand shall not be considered a water pollutant if used for beach erosion mitigation and certain related purposes.	EEP, OMH/WAL



<u>HB 101</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO RECYCLING. Requires state and county agencies to provide and maintain onsite methods for the collection of deposit beverage containers provided that the agency also provides and maintains solid waste disposal.	EEP, FIN
<u>HB 1088</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO ENERGY. Establishes a working group to develop a short-term, five-year plan for net-zero-energy consumption for all public infrastructure owned by the State. Requires DBEDT to perform a benchmarking study on the energy use of all state facilities.	EEP, CPC
<u>HB 1472</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO RENEWABLE ENERGY. Replaces the current renewable energy technology systems tax credit with tax credits for solar energy property and wind energy property. Requires the Department of Taxation and Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism to report tax credits claimed under the renewable energy technology tax credit and make recommendations to the legislature.	EEP, FIN
<u>HB 801</u> <u>Status</u>	AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS FOR SUNSTRONG LLC, A RENEWABLE ENERGY DEVELOPER SERVING THE GENERAL PUBLIC IN PROVIDING ELECTRIC ENERGY. Authorizes the issuance of special purpose revenue bonds to SunStrong LLC, a renewable energy developer, for the provision of electric energy and installation of renewable energy projects in Hawaii.	EEP, FIN
<u>HB 1243</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO TAXATION. Amends session law to repeal the sunset provision relating to the tax on naphtha fuel sold for use in a power generating facility, thereby making the amendments made by Act 103, Session Laws of Hawaii 2007, permanent.	EEP, FIN
<u>HB 1135</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO TAXATION. Establishes a nonrefundable income tax credit for taxpayers who participate in net energy metering and have unused credits for excess electricity that lapse before the credits can be applied to the taxpayer's utility bill.	EEP, CPC, FIN

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

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