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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Wednesday, February 18, 2015
TIME: 2:15pm
PLACE: Conference Room 225
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

A G E N D A

SB 534

Status &
Testimony

RELATING TO TRANSIENT ACCOMMODATIONS TAX.
Amends the rate of the transient accommodations tax (TAT) beginning July 1, 2016. Changes the allocation of TAT revenues to each county. Requires each county to expend moneys received from TAT exclusively to market and promote tourism and tourism-related activities and events within the respective county. Requires each county to report to the legislature annually on its expenditures of the TAT. Allocates a percentage of TAT revenues to the state parks special fund and to the special land and development fund. Requires TAT revenues deposited into the special land and development fund to be expended subject to the mutual agreement of the board of land and natural resources and the board of directors of the Hawaii tourism authority in accordance with the Hawaii tourism authority strategic plan. Transfers a portion of the amounts deposited into the special land and development fund to the beach restoration special fund and appropriates those funds as matching funds for the environmental impact statement associated with the planned beach nourishment project at Kapua on the island of Hawaii. Requires the department of land and natural resources and the Hawaii tourism authority to seek additional or supplemental funding from the counties, the federal government, and private entities to accomplish the purposes of this Act.

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Decision Making to follow, if time permits.

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