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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Wednesday, February 11, 2015
TIME: 2:45PM
PLACE: Conference Room 225
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

A G E N D A

SB 1173

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RELATING TO THE ACQUISITION OF SCENIC LANDS AT KAPUA IN MILOLI'I ON THE ISLAND OF HAWAII.
Requires the department of land and natural resources, in consultation with the Hawaiian Islands Land Trust, to engage in negotiations to acquire land located at Kapua, island of Hawaii. Requires the acquisition to be funded wholly or in part by transient accommodations tax revenues. Makes an appropriation for any additional amounts required for the acquisition.

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SB 284

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RELATING TO THE TRANSIENT ACCOMMODATIONS TAX.
Allocates \$3,000,000 of transient accommodations tax revenues to the special land and development fund to be expended according to the mutual agreement of the board of land and natural resources and board of directors of the Hawaii tourism authority and in accordance with the long-range strategic plan for tourism.

TSI/WTL, WAM

SB 1356

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RELATING TO THE TRANSIENT ACCOMMODATIONS TAX.
Repeals expenditure from the tourism special fund for development and implementation of initiatives to take advantage of expanded visa programs and increased travel opportunities for international visitors to Hawaii, which expires June 30, 2015. Allocates funds to the special land and development fund to be expended according to a mutual agreement of the board of land and natural resources and the board of directors of the Hawaii tourism authority in accordance with the long-range strategic plan for tourism developed by the Hawaii tourism authority instead of authorizing the allocation to be subject to the mutual agreement under the Hawaii tourism authority strategic plan.

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SB 617

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RELATING TO BEACH PROTECTION.

TSI/WTL, WAM

Incorporates beach land conservation under the general powers of the board of land and natural resources. Expands the department of land and natural resources' beach restoration plans to include beach conservation plans. Requires beach restoration plans to include, where appropriate, county participation and the formation of private-public partnerships. Allows the department of land and natural resources to include studies about the effect of sea level rise and other coastal engineering studies when developing beach conservation plans that involve more than the nourishment of beaches with sand. Renames the "beach restoration special fund" as the "beach restoration and conservation special fund". Permits proceeds from the lease of public lands for an existing shoreline structure, matching funds to carry out a beach restoration and conservation plans, from private individuals or organizations, and transient accommodations tax revenues to be deposited into the beach restoration and conservation special fund. Allows moneys from the beach restoration and conservation special fund to be used for conservation projects and all things necessary, useful, and convenient in connection with the restoration and conservation of beach lands. Allocates \$3,000,000 of transient accommodations tax revenues to the special land and development fund to be expended by the board of land and natural resources and board of directors of the Hawaii tourism authority, under a mutual agreement. Allocates an annual amount of \$3,000,000 of transient accommodations tax revenues to the beach restoration and conservation special fund and requires the fund to maintain a balance of \$7,000,000 once that balance is achieved.

Decision Making to follow, if time permits.

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