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NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE:        Wednesday, February 7, 2018  
TIME:        8:45 AM  
PLACE:       Conference Room 312  
              State Capitol  
              415 South Beretania Street

A G E N D A

<u>HB 2306</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO AGRICULTURE. Clarifies that the amount appropriated in Act 183, Session Laws of Hawaii 2017, shall be deposited into the food safety certification costs grant program special fund and that the same amount shall be appropriated out of the special fund for fiscal year 2018-2019.	AGR, FIN
<u>HB 1884</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO AGRICULTURE. Clarifies that "subsistence farming" is included as a protected activity under the Hawaii Right to Farm Act.	AGR, FIN
<u>HB 2105</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO AGRICULTURE. Appropriates funds to the Department of Agriculture for the establishment and administration of the Agriculture Grant Program to support local food production in the State.	AGR, FIN
<u>HB 2304</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO AGRICULTURE. Establish a special fund within the Department of Agriculture to deposit fees and expend funds necessary for the industrial hemp pilot program.	AGR, FIN
<u>HB 2426</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO THE AGRIBUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION. Authorizes the director of finance to issue general obligation bonds and appropriates funds for the acquisition of certain farm lands in west Kauai by the agribusiness development corporation.	AGR, FIN
<u>HB 2538</u> <u>Status</u>	RELATING TO AGRICULTURE. Authorizes the issuance of GO bonds and appropriates funds for the planning, designing, and constructing of a livestock feed mill.	AGR, FIN



HB 2081  
Status

RELATING TO THE ROSE-RINGED PARAKEET.  
Appropriates funds to the department of land and natural resources to provide assistance and supplemental funding to the National Wildlife Research Center of the U.S. Department of Agriculture to conduct pilot field studies to evaluate control tools and develop a management plan to reduce the rose-ringed parakeet population on Kauai.

AGR, FIN

HB 2462  
Status

RELATING TO TAX EXEMPTION.  
Exempts sales of farm equipment and machinery to certain producers of agricultural products from the general excise tax. Takes effect on 7/1/2019.

AGR, FIN

DECISION MAKING TO FOLLOW

Persons wishing to offer comments should submit testimony at least 24 hours prior to the hearing. Testimony should indicate:

- Testifier's name with position/title and organization;
- The Committee(s) to which the comments are directed;
- The date and time of the hearing; and
- Measure number.

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PAPER: Five (5) copies (including an original) to Room 324 in the State Capitol;

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Rep. Richard P. Creagan  
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