HOUSE DISTRICT 36 COMMUNITY REPORT





Aloha Chair Connie Herolaga, Members of the Neighborhood Board.

(JUNE 2023) - WAIPAHU

Good evening! Rachele Lamosao, Representing State House District 36. It is my pleasure to share my legislative updates for the month of June.

Now that we have begun our interim, I have been meeting with community groups and leaders discussing challenges and issues in District 36. Although the session has passed we have been diligently following initiatives that impact our working families, kūpuna, and keiki. In my report, I have highlighted a few updates on legislation that have been signed by the Governor and activities I have participated.

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Announcement: HDOT informs a full closure of the Waipahu off-ramp (Exit 18B) from the H-1 Freeway in the westbound direction on Wednesday, June 21, from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m., for emergency attenuator repairs.

If you have any questions or concerns, you may reach me through our online survey QR code on the last page of my report. You may also call my office at (808)-586-6520 or email me at replamosao@capitol.hawaii.gov.

Act 85: RELATING TO CHILD CUSTODY.

I am happy to announce the passage of HB581 (Act 85). As a mother who shares custody of my child, I know custody disputes can be an arduous and difficult process, especially for families in extremely vulnerable and dangerous situations where violence may be involved. It is imperative that we do our best to ensure the system that is supposed to protect children and families does exactly that. Mahalo to the Women's Legislative Caucus for allowing me to introduce HB581 (Act 85).



Interim Activities





CELEBRATING PHILIPPINE INDEPENDANCE DAY



CHAMBER OF COMMERCE HI, AND SEN. HIRONO

Bill Signing to Increase Affordable Housing, Reduce Homelessness



Act 96 (SB764) will allow banks to invest in entities formed to invest in developing residential properties that gualify for low-income housing tax credits. This bill encourages the financing of affordable residential housing projects by increasing the investment limit.

Act 97 (SB865) will establish a 99-year leasehold program to develop lowcost homes on state- and county-owned land in an urban redevelopment site to be sold in leasehold by the Hawai'i Community Development Authority to qualified residents. This bill will increase the number of affordable residential leasehold units in our state.

Act 98 (SB898) temporarily expands the State Rent Supplement Program specifically for qualified persons who are sixty-two years of age or older and are homeless or at imminent risk of becoming homeless. Funding from the Hawai'i State Rent Supplement Program will help eligible families by subsidizing part of their monthly rent. It is mainly geared toward helping kūpuna and older adults and families to avoid becoming homeless.

Act 99 (HB674) repeals the percentage requirements related to the Hawai'i Public Housing Authority's (HPHA) admission of applicants into federal and state low-income public housing units. This gives HPHA the ability to prioritize its public housing inventory to allow greater preference for those who are the most in need, including families and individuals experiencing homelessness, victims of domestic violence, and those who are displaced.

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