HOUSE DISTRICT 36 COMMUNITY REPORT





Dear Neighbors,

It is my pleasure to share my legislative updates for the month of February. The Mandatory 5 Day Recess is presently underway in the legislature. All legislation must be heard and passed from the originating body (House/Senate) to cross over to the non-originating body on March 7th First Crossover. The deadline for First Lateral Concurrent Resolutions is quickly approaching. All concurrent resolutions with multiple committee referrals must go to their final committee in the originating chamber by March 28th, which is a crucial turning point.

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After almost two months of session, several bills have undergone significant revisions that enhance the quality of life for our residents, including: HB2107, HB1974, HB2539, HB2216, and SB2132 which I have summarized on the next page.

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.

Mahalo, Rachh far sa

BELIEVING IN THE NEXT GENERATION!



Last year, 15 exceptional students from the FFA chapters of Waipahu High School and Waipahu Intermediate School qualified for the prestigious National FFA Convention and Expo. They competed with over 90,000 peers nationwide and secured their rightful places at the event. On February 8th, we paid tribute to these students for their unwavering dedication and for bringing honor to Hawaii on the national stage with a House floor presentation. Some even received top honors in their respective categories.

Angelo Luigi Agarano and Sean Michael Valencia Monte, Champions at the National FFA National Agriscience Fair, Environmental Services/Natural Resource Systems Division 6.

Travis Cabulera and LJay Asuncion, Champions at the National FFA National Agriscience Fair, Animal Systems Division 2.

Nicholas Nishimura, Champion at the National FFA National Agriscience Fair, Environmental Services/Natural Resource Systems Division 1

These students represent the best qualities of dedication, resilience, and unwavering commitment to their academic pursuits. They serve as shining examples of inspiration for our community and bring immense pride to Hawaii.

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2024 MEASURES IN MOVEMENT

HB2107 HD1: RELATING TO DISASTER SERVICES

Appropriates funds to establish the position of Limited English Proficiency Access Coordinator within the Hawaii Emergency Management Agency.

HB1974: RELATING TO CARE HOMES

Increases the monthly needs allowance from \$50 to \$75. Clarifies that the needs allowance or affect funds received from the federal Supplemental Secuity Income program. Requires that certain long-term care facility operators to pay for generic toiletries, linens, and meals and snacks. Clarifies the individuals who are eligible to receive the needs allowance. Requires the Department of Human Services to perform an annual revie of the needs allowance and report to the Legislature.

HB2539: RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES

Appropriates funds to increase the funding for medicaid in-home services, conditioned on the Department of Human Services obtaining the maximum federal funds.

HB2216: RELATING TO CARE HOMES

Increases the cap on state supplemental payments for type I adult residential care homes, licensed developmental disabilities domiciliary homes, community foster homes, certified adult foster homes, and type II adult residential care homes.

SB2132: RELATING TO THE LANDLORD-TENANT CODE

Amends the deadlines related to the repair of conditions that constitute health or safety violations and the payment of past due rent. Increases the amount deducted from a tenant's rent for the tenant's actual expenditures to correct health or safety violations and defective conditions.

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