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## Aloha from Rep. George Fontaine

I am committed to work hard to represent the people of the South Maui and to listen to your concerns throughout the upcoming legislative session. It is my goal to send out this newsletter regularly to keep you informed.

I want to introduce you to my staff who are working are working with me. This gives you an idea of who you are talking to on the phone if you contact my office.

Second, there is a proposed construction project in Kīhei, by Betsill Brothers. Comments regarding the project need to be submitted by February 3, 2011.

Finally, there are a number of new laws that are now in effect in the State of Hawaii. The final article gives a brief rundown of some of these new laws and a website link for more information.



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## Meet the Staff in Rep. Fontaine's Office



**Left to Right: Kehau Cortez-Camero, Carrie Kealoha, Jeffrey Lyons**

Ready to serve the people of South Maui are three dedicated individuals.

Our office manager is Carrie Kealoha. Carrie is a ten-year seasoned veteran to the House of

Representatives. Most recently she worked for Minority Leader Lynn Finnegan (HD-32) as office manager for the last 6 years. Kehau Cortez-Camero also has legislative experience

working for the past two years with Minority Leader Lynn Finnegan . Kehau is a graduate of University of Hawai'i at Hilo and the University of Hawai'i at Manoa and speaks Hawaiian.

Jeffrey Lyons worked as an intern for Rep. Gene Ward (HD-17) during the 2008 legislative session. Jeffrey is a university professor with teaching experience at Hawai'i Pacific University, Honolulu Community College, and Argosy University.

Please feel free to contact one of us when you have a question or concern.

**"Better Government With Representative Fontaine" will be airing on Akaku Channel 53 on the following dates:**

**1/23 8:50pm**

**1/26 6:30pm**

**2/3 8:30pm**

## Betsill Brothers Construction in Kīhei

Betsill Brothers Construction Inc. has applied for a permit with the US Army Corps of Engineers Honolulu District in order to construct four single family dwellings in South Kīhei. The project will be on Waiohuli Street, in the Waiohuli Subdivision of Kīhei.

The developers are

required to apply for a permit to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers because there will be cutting and filling required for the project, and a portion of the development overlaps on designated wetlands. The permit is required by Sec. 404 of the Clear Water Act.

Citizens may comment on permit file number POH-2008-00285 by contacting Peter Galloway at [Peter.C.Galloway@usace.pme.t.army.mil](mailto:Peter.C.Galloway@usace.pme.t.army.mil) You may also call Mr. Galloway at (808) 438-8416.

## New Hawaii Laws in 2011

Here are a few of the new laws that become effective as of January 1, 2011.

**HB1985 – Taxation**  
Political contributions may no longer be deducted from taxable income.

**HB2003 – Campaign Financing**  
Corporations that contribute more than \$1000 will need to file with the Campaign Finance Commission.

**HB2397 Primary Elections**  
Primary elections will now be held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday in August instead of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday in September.

**HB2725 Animal Protection**  
New rules apply regarding pet enclosures and veterinary care requirements to prevent suffering.

**SB2599 Health**

**Insurance** Requires expanded coverage for colon cancer. Health providers will also need to advise their policyholders of the risks related to colorectal cancer.

For more detailed information about these and other new laws that are now effective, go to: <http://hawaiihouseblog.blogspot.com/2010/12/new-laws-effective-january-1-2011.html>

