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Aloha,

It has been a busy and exciting month following the opening of the 25th Legislature full of committee hearings and bill signings.

This session, I am diligently working to pass a list of bills that I hope to see pass into law.

- SB608- Hawaii Employer-Union Health Benefits Trust Fund
- SB609/ SB 610- Fireworks Prohibition
- SB611- CIP; 17th Senatorial District Appropriations
- SB699(BR)- Legislative Term Limits (12 years)
- SB1212- Office of Veterans' Services; Yukio Okutsu State Veterans Home
- SB 1213- National Guard; Foreclosure
- SB 1214- Elections; Nomination Papers; Filing; Withdrawal
- SB 1215- Elections; Candidates; Residency Requirements
- SB 12160 Motor Vehicle Insurance; Cancellation; Civil Sanctions
- SB1331 SD1- Solar Energy, Clotheslines, Household Energy (Adopted by Senate and House)
- SB1339- Motor Vehicle Noise
- SB1340- Motor Vehicle Rental Industry; Interisland Ferry
- SB1341- Housing

Community comments and suggestions are always welcome. I am dedicated to serve you in any possible way. Please feel free to visit me at my office or contact me by phone, fax, or email. Thank you for your continued support. I look forward to meeting with you.

Me ke Aloha Pumehana,

Senator Michelle Kidani



Senator Kidani with Mililani Ike teachers during their recent class visit to the State Capitol.



Supporting Leeward Community College's fundraiser for aspiring culinary students.



Members of the Chamber of Commerce of Hawaii visited with Senator Kidani.



Above: An attentive Senator Kidani at an education hearing.

Left: The Senator with Mililani High School exchange student Fadel Makzoum from Lebanon who shadowed the Senator for a day.

IMPORTANT DATES IN MARCH FOR THE 25TH LEGISLATURE

February 26 th to March 4 th :	Mandatory 5-day Recess
6 TH	Final Decking: Last day to file non-budget bills for Third Reading in originating chamber
12 th	First Crossover (Bills)
16 th	Budget Decking
18 th	Budget Crossover
18 th	Last day to introduce Substantive Resolutions
26 th	Holiday: Kuhio Day
27 th	Second Lateral (Bills): Must be moved to final committee in non-originating chamber

APPRENTICE AND ENGINEERING JOB FAIR 2009

Saturday, March 28, 2009
8:30 am -12:00 pm
Honolulu Community College Campus
874 Dillingham Blvd

The Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard is recruiting individuals for the Apprentice Career Experience Program, Class of 2010. Earn an Associates Degree from Honolulu Community College for FREE under the apprenticeship program along with a certificate from the Department of Labor. Starting wages being at \$18.30 per hour with pay increases over time. Minimum requirements apply. For more information, see attachment or attend the Job Fair!

For Apprenticeship positions, apply online at <http://acep.hawaii.navy.mil>. Applications are available from March 28 through April 11.

HOW TO FIND A HEARING NOTICE ONLINE...

Website: www.capitol.hawaii.gov
Then got to this page: Bill Status and Documents

1. Click on "Get Current Hearing Notices"
2. Find your bill number (Tip: Try using your browser's "find" feature.)
3. Click on the date/time hyperlink to view the hearing notice. Information on how and when you may submit testimony appears at the bottom of the notice.

Note: If you can't find your bill number, there may not be a hearing scheduled- to check, go to the top section of the Bill Status and Documents page, enter your bill number, and view the status sheet.

FEBRUARY IS BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Utilize Hawai'i's Public Library system to read about some of the America's most prominent African American leaders. There are thousands of books to choose from and lots of staff to help you find what you're looking for. While there, enjoy one of the many everyday programs that the library has to offer: internet access, story time programs, summer readings, and various adult health programs.

MILILANI PUBLIC LIBRARY (808-627-7470)
95-450 Makaimoimo St. Mililani, HI 96789

WAIPAHU PUBLIC LIBRARY (808-675-0358)
94-275 Mokuola St. Waipahu, HI 96797

FOODLAND'S SHOP FOR HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRAM

For 6 weeks from February 11, 2009 through March 24, 2009 use your Maika'i card to earn points for local public schools. The more points each school accumulates, the more scholarships it will receive. Each participating school must earn at least 20,000 points to be eligible for the scholarship program. Visit any Foodland to register for your school.

SENATE EFFORTS TO FUNDRAISE FOR HAWAI'I FOODBANK

This session, the staff and I are proud sponsors of the Senate Foodbank Fundraiser. Thus far, we've raised almost \$800 through Valentines Day Cupid notes and cookies, lunchtime fundraisers, and various raffles.

Next month we look forward to a Girls' Day Fundraiser and Clover Cookie Sales hosted by Senator Espero's office.

The office is also spearheading a capitol-wide penny war in which copper coins accumulate positive points and silver coins represent negative points for each office. Be sure to drop a few coins into any office jar in your next visit to the capitol! Final tallies will be announced at the end of session in April.

HAWAI'I STATE LEGISLATURE'S PUBLIC ACCESS INFORMATION WebPages:

Legislature: www.capitol.hawaii.gov
PAR: www.hawaii.gov/lrb/par/
LRB Library: www.hawaii.gov/lrb/
State: www.hawaii.gov

Neighbor Islands (Toll Free):

<u>Hawai'i</u> :	974-4000	ext. 7-0478
<u>Mau</u> i:	984-2400	ext. 7-0478
<u>Kaua</u> 'i:	274-3141	ext. 7-0478
<u>Moloka</u> 'i:	1-800-468-4644	ext. 7-0478
<u>Lana</u> 'i:	1-800-468-4644	ext. 7-0478