



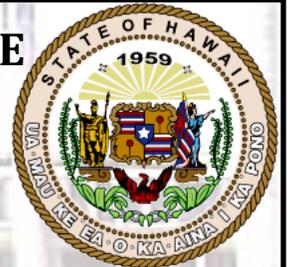
# REPRESENTATIVE RYAN YAMANE

District 37, Mililani · Waipi o Gentry

**CHAIR, Health Committee**

**VICE CHAIR, Consumer Protection Committee**

**COMMITTEE MEMBER,**  
Hawaiian Affairs  
Human Services



**Contact**

Tel: 586-6150

Fax: 586-6151

Room 420

[repyamane@capitol.hawaii.gov](mailto:repyamane@capitol.hawaii.gov)

## Mililani Neighborhood Board Report · February 2011

*Aloha,*

February has been a very busy month keeping my office staff and me very active!

Over the past month, the House Health Committee was referred over 200 Bills for legislative review. My staff and I met semiweekly to discuss, research, review, and vet many of these bills. The Health Committee met twice a week throughout the month to hold extensive Legislative Hearings to hear the testimony of the people and examine the health-related issues to each bill heard.

Meanwhile, the House Consumer Protection and Commerce Committee was referred over 130 Bills in the past month for legislative review. As the committee's Vice Chair, I met with the Chair for many weekly leadership meetings to discuss and review the legislation. Our committee held many Legislative Hearings to likewise hear the testimony of the people and examine the issues of consumer protection to each bill heard.

Currently the House is finalizing those bills which have passed their first and second committees and are being reviewed in their final committee.

Many of my bills are likewise in their final committee and will be reviewed by the House committee on Finance within the next week. I thank those constituents who have supported these bills and their passage.

My office has been in much contact with the community over various pieces of legislation this past month and I support and welcome everyone's questions and concerns in the legislative process.

I am dedicated to working hard to serve you. Please feel free to contact me anytime by phone, fax, or email and Mahalo for your continued support.

*With My Warmest Aloha,*

### Honolulu Rail Groundbreaking

Yesterday I attended the historical groundbreaking ceremony of the Honolulu Rail in Kapolei.

The groundbreaking ceremony was jubilant for many who attended and fought and strived for the rail construction over the past decades. Many repeated throughout the day, "what a day this is, and what a long time it's been coming!"



(Above) At the site of the initial Rail construction.  
(Below) The Honolulu Rail's Groundbreaking Ceremony.



## 2011 Legislation

This year I introduced over 35 bills pertaining to our community and the two Committees which I manage. Here is a brief summary of some of the bills I've introduced for this year.

- HB 228** *Requires public approval from residents within a 1-mile radius for the permitting of a new landfill or the expansion of an existing landfill.*
- HB 271** *Develops neonatal resuscitation training programs.*
- HB 594** *Matches the federal disproportionate share hospital allowance funds allocated to the State.*
- HB 595** *Requires rates for Medicaid reimbursements to hospitals keeping patients in beds to be equal to rates for similarly related services. Funds Medicaid reimbursements.*
- HB 598** *Establishes a tax credit equal to five % of the amount of medical malpractice insurance premium paid by a physician who provides on-call services to emergency*
- HB 600** *Mandates insurers, hospital and medical services plans, and HMOs to provide coverage for survivors of brain injuries, neurobehavioral and neuropsychological testing or treatment, and necessary post-acute transition services or community re-entry activities.*
- HB 601** *Provides legal provisions in Hawaii law to support service dogs and service animals. Supports National ADA standards.*
- HB 602** *Funds the Dept. of Health for breast and cervical cancer screening to reach more women who are eligible to be screened under the screening program.*
- HB 603** *Creates a working group within Civil Defense to create a system to share information across public agencies during the preparation and planning for natural*
- HB 604** *Prohibits the sale or distribution of toy-like lighters.*
- HB 606** *Requires milk to be labeled with the date of pasteurization or the date of packaging.*
- HB 607** *Expands the scope of terroristic threatening in the first degree and robbery in the first degree to include the use of replica fire-arms.*
- HB 902** *Establishes the Hawaii medical doctor loan repayment program for University of Hawaii medical school graduates and medical school graduates with training from Hawaii based medical programs working in*
- HB 904** *Prohibits the sale of caffeinated alcoholic beverages unless labeled as "intoxicating liquor" and warning about potential harmful effects of consumption.*

## Hawaii's Youth Involved with Health Care Policies

For the past month this House Health Committee has been meeting for committee hearings diligently twice a week to hear and review hundreds of bills.

Throughout our committee hearings, many students have been highly involved in the legislative process by testifying before the Health Committee.

An entire class of the John A. Burns School of Medicine testified before the Health Committee over the funding for their school and supporting local physicians.

Another crowd of youth came to lobby against tobacco product placement within the eye-level of a child. It's been very refreshing and encouraging to see how involved our youth are in the legislature — especially in our House Health Committee!



## Community Capital Improvement Requests

For the 2010 Legislative session I have turned in the following requests for consideration of Mililani, Waipio Gentry and Central Oahu capital improvements:

- Kanoelani Elementary School-wide Electrical upgrade: **\$950,000.00**
- Kipapa Elementary School-wide Electrical upgrade: **\$600,000.00**
- Kipapa Elementary School-wide Air Conditioning replacement: **\$200,000.00**
- Mililani Middle 6 portable classrooms installation: **\$2,670,000.00**
- Mililani Middle portable restroom installation: **\$650,000.00**
- Mililani Middle roof-repair from leaks in Buildings G&F: **\$750,000.00**
- Mililani Middle land irrigation to prevent flooding: **\$700,000.00**
- Mililani Middle gutter replacement **\$176,000.00**
- Mililani High School Tennis Court parking lot resurfacing: **\$470,000.00**
- Mililani High School fiber-optic upgrade: **\$1,000,000.00**
- Pearl City High School Auditorium renovation: **\$500,000.00**
- Pearl City High School Athletic complex renovation: **\$500,000.00**
- Pearl City High School Cisco upgrade: **\$1,000,000.00**
- Bikeway Construction on both sides of Kamehameha Hwy from Lanikuhana Avenue to Kuahelani Avenue: **\$1,000,000.00**

**GET INVOLVED!** I encourage your support.

You may view my CIP request at: <http://www.capitol.hawaii.gov>