



SENATOR SUZANNE N. J. CHUN OAKLAND

Dear Family and Friends:

The 28th Legislature has come to a close. Mahalo to all of you for your care and concern and for calling, mailing, emailing, faxing, visiting with me at the Capitol, and "talking story" in the community. We hope you enjoy reading our legislative newsletter.

It has been wonderful working with all of you and serving in the Hawaii State Legislature these past 26 years. Though I will not be seeking re-election this November, I am very proud to have represented the people of our community and State.

You are all truly amazing people with a strong work ethic; moral character; great sense of responsibility to care for others; and most generous-of-heart to our families, our children and youth, our elders, our disabled, and our Hawaii ohana.

I hope I have reflected these values in my work and interaction with all of you throughout the years as your elected official.

We have statutes in place that are protective and supportive of our most vulnerable people ... our children and youth, our elders, and persons with disabilities. I am proud of my colleagues and all the community advocates for being unified and making this an important part of our kuleana.

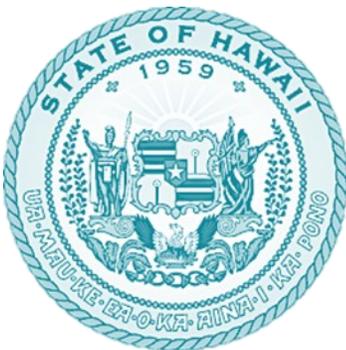
I thank my legislative colleagues and support staff, the executive and judiciary branches, the counties, the federal government, and everyone in the community for working together to achieve these milestones. I am proud of the work that we have done together.

I am also proud of the work we have done as government and community partners to support public education and services for our elders. Mahalo for such great work statewide by so many people to restore our capacity to be more food and energy self-sufficient, supporting public policies that encourage and support the building of truly affordable and sustainable housing, a comprehensive early learning system for our youngest keiki, investing in a more efficient government through technological advancements and good planning, and transportation systems that will support a vibrant economy.

**Proudly Serving Hawaii's
Senate District 13**

**Encompassing the
following communities:**

**Capital District,
Chinatown, Downtown,
Dowsett Highlands,
Iwilei, Liliha, Nu'uanu,
Pauoa, Pacific Heights,
Portion of Kaka'ako,
Portion of Kalihi-Palama,
Puunui**



Mahalo to our law enforcement officers and other first responders, men and women of our armed forces, and residents whose efforts keep our neighborhoods, State and Nation safe; educators that are committed to our students' well-being and lifelong learning; the business community that has strengthened our economy; employers and unions that care for and support workers and their families; social and health providers that take good care of people to keep healthy, promote wellness, and help folks through difficult times; faith communities that provide the spiritual grounding and inspiration for all of us to do good; our consulates and community service organizations that support good human relations and assist individuals and families to prosper; and each person who does little things each and every day to make the world better for others.

Walking my entire house and senate districts door to door and talking with with my constituents annually for 23 of the 26 years in office has continued to nourish my soul and helped me in my work in the community and at the State Legislature. I am sorry I could only drive through the entire district the last three years due to the increased workload at the Capitol year around.

Mahalo to my constituents and the people of Hawaii for who YOU are and for making a difference every day by taking care of your families, neighbors and friends, and for being diligent and sincere in all that you do for others.

I wanted to acknowledge my office ohana for their dedication and hard work: Office Manager A'lisha Leisek, Committee Manager Xan Avendaño, Committee Assistant Tyler Ingraham, Administrative Assistants Mudra Josephson, Laurie Lush and Russell Higa, and Intern Angelo McDuffie as well as all the staff of the Legislature's support offices. Awesome work!

To the members of the over one hundred caucuses, task forces, working groups, advisory committees, and boards that I have chaired and served as a member, it has truly been an honor to know and work with you on critical issues of our State. The tremendous work done and sacrifices made over the years has energized me and given me so much hope for the future. Thank you for being an inspiration to me and many others.

I want to express my thanks to my friends, neighbors and extended ohana for their love and always being so supportive these many years. I love you very much.

Finally, I want to thank my mom and dad, grandparents, great grandparents, sister, brother, nephews, my husband's family, my husband, children and grandchildren. Thank you for all your patience, sacrifice and love each and every day. You have been the "wind beneath my wings" and I truly appreciate and love you with all my heart.

Best wishes always for good health, prosperity and much happiness.

**Me ke aloha pumehana
(with warmest love)**



**Suzanne Chun Oakland
State Senator
District 13**



The Senate Chamber view from the gallery

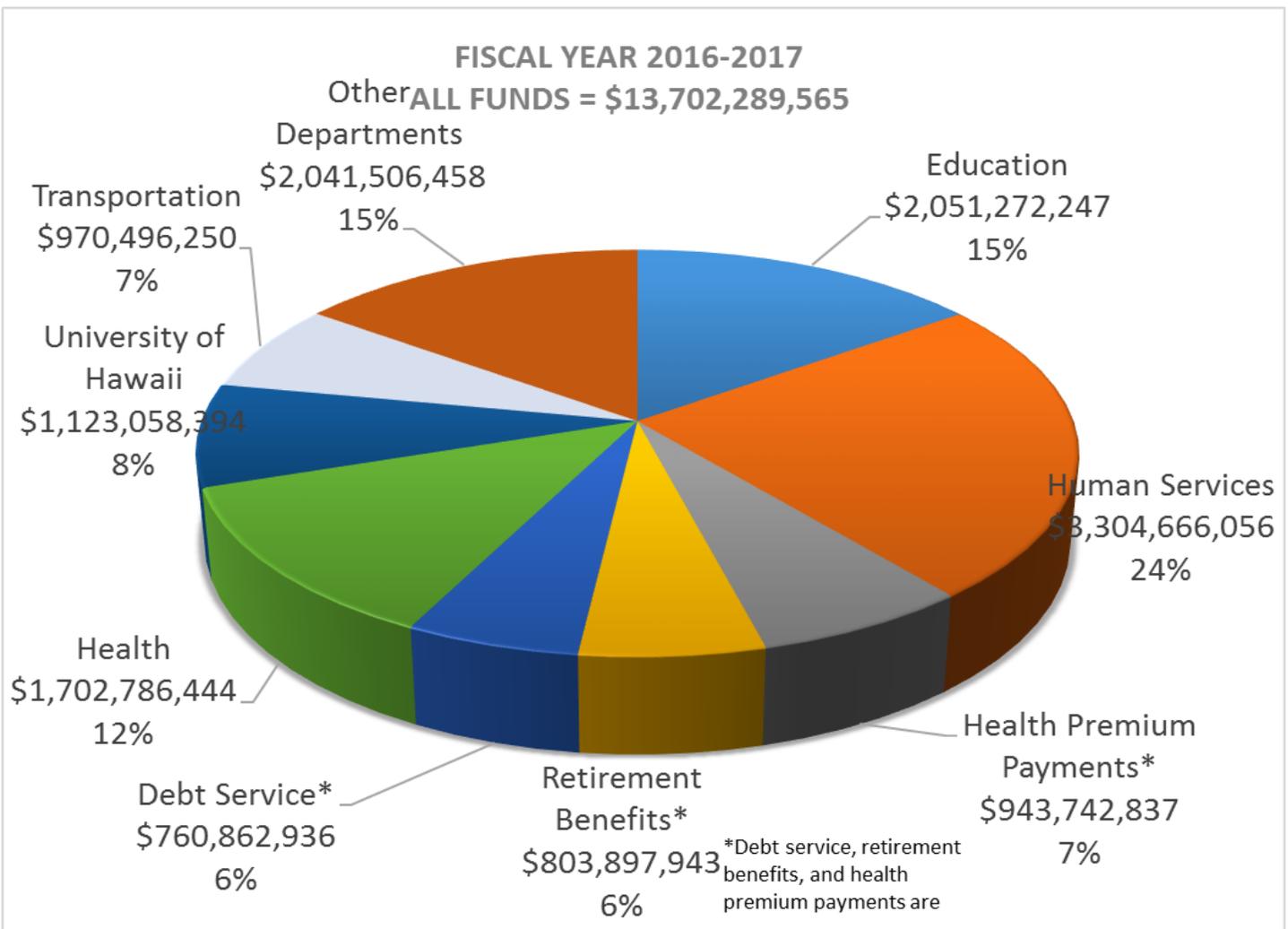
State Budget Bill: HB1700

By law, the Council on Revenues reports its latest tax revenue forecast to the Governor and Legislature four times each year. At the most recent meeting on March 10, 2016, the Council lowered its forecast for growth in the State's General Fund tax revenues in Fiscal Year (FY) 2016 from 6.7% to 5.5% indicating that economic growth is projected to decrease due global economic uncertainty and possible causes of a new recession. The Legislature has an obligation to allocate funds to address short and long term needs of the State of Hawaii, in a fair and prudent manner, while also ensuring that there are sufficient funds in reserve to cover future obligations and challenges.



After weeks of negotiating, the Legislature passed a fiscally responsible budget for the fiscal year 2016 -2017. Thank you to Ways and Means (WAM) Chair Jill Tokuda, Finance (FIN) Chair Sylvia Luke, WAM Vice Chair Donovan M. Dela Cruz, FIN Vice Chair Scott Nishimoto, and the WAM and FIN Committee members for their leadership and hard work.

Pictured above: Negotiations on the State Budget Bill. Back Row- L –R Sen. Donovan Dela Cruz, Sen. Glenn Wakai, Sen. Brian



Highlights of HB1700, CD1 FY 2016-2017

Department of Human Services

- \$12,000,000 (general funds) lump sum homeless services
- \$56,202 (general funds) to add 1 position for the state rent supplement program within HPHA
- \$108,626 (general funds) to add 2 positions and funds for homeless services expansion (11 positions total)
- \$4,029,480 (general funds) for direct monetary payments for essentials for the aged, blind, or permanently disabled
- \$10,000,000 (general funds) for the preschool open doors program, to improve the accessibility of early education to children (\$1.6 million in the base)
- \$250,000 (general funds) for Resources for Enrichment, Athletics, Culture, and Health Initiative (REACH), which funds after-school programs in middle schools.
- \$770,000 (general funds) subsidy for after-school programs through the A+ program
- \$2,880,000 (federal funds) for UPLINK for FY16

Department of Health

- \$3,000,000 (general funds) in additional funding for the Kupuna Care Program to assist the elderly with everyday basic needs (\$4.854 million in the base)
- \$10,000,000 (general funds) in flexible funding for the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation that can help Maluhia, Leahi, and other hospitals statewide (total HHSC funding in the base budget is \$115.94 million general funds for regions)
- \$1,270,120 (general funds) to add 20 positions statewide for management of newly emerging public health threats and vector control
- Total funding of \$60,895,203 (general funds) FY17 to reduce the severity of disability due to mental illness through community-based services
- Total funding of \$73,046,858 (general funds) FY17 to reduce the severity of mental illness with the ultimate goal of community reintegration (Hawaii State Hospital)
- Total funding of \$76,035,559 (general funds) and \$1,038,992 (special funds) FY17 to support individuals with developmental disabilities to live a healthy, meaningful life

Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR)

- \$90,000 and 1 position for public lands management for the disposition of water rights lease management and oversight
- \$90,000 and 1 position for the commission on water resource management for the disposition of water rights lease management and oversight
- \$500,000 (special funds) for forest stewardship programs
- \$250,000 (general funds) endangered species management
- \$250,000 (general funds) for marine debris removal for ocean-based recreation
- \$400,000 (general funds) to the wildfire contingency fund
- \$1,500,000 (general funds) for a statewide U.S. geographical study on Hawaiian streams
- \$344,256 (general funds) and 10 positions to allow the small boat harbor to be open 6 days instead of 5 days a week

Public Safety

- \$200,223 (general funds) for 6 deputy sheriff positions for security at the State Capitol District

Department of Agriculture

- \$98,800 for 1 position and general administration of a Farm to School Program
- \$200,000 (special funds) for statewide assessment of susceptibility to invasive species

Department of Business and Economic Development

- \$100,000 (general funds) for a real property tax study
- \$2,156,516 (special funds) for operating a statewide foreign-trade zone program that improves international trade
- \$1,174,976 (general funds) to promote growth of the aerospace industry
- \$150,000 (general funds) for drone testing
- \$90,000 (general funds) to the Beijing and Taiwan office to promote Hawaii in China
- \$30,000 (general funds) and \$30,000 (special funds) for repair and maintenance of existing film studio
- \$100,000 (general funds) for the creative lab program (arts, animation, film, television)
- \$1,000,000 (general funds) venture capital fund for innovative businesses

Department of Education

- \$6,984,689 (general funds) for public school transportation
- \$650,000 (general funds) for foliage and pest control
- \$370,727 (general funds) security for public libraries
- \$41,000 (general funds) for mileage, transportation and computer equipment for the prekindergarten program
- \$16,537,791 (general funds) for weighted student formula
- \$400,000 (general funds) for student travel
- \$129,710 (general funds) and 2 positions for the K-12 STEM workforce development pilot project
- \$670,000 (general funds) to recruit teachers
- \$74,433,916 (general funds) and \$1,588,850 (federal funds) for charter school per pupil allotment
- \$200,000 repair and maintenance backlog
- \$250,000 (general funds) and \$500,000 (special funds) for library books

Attorney General

- \$380,000 (general funds) statewide sexual assault services
- \$700,000 (general funds) for career criminal prosecution units statewide
- \$231,161 for a study to modernize the Child Support Enforcement Agency KEIKI computer system

University of Hawaii (UOH)

- \$350,000 (general funds) for dance and theater programs
- \$3,000,000 (general funds) for athletics
- \$357,604 (general funds) for 6 positions at UH West Oahu

Department of Hawaiian Homelands

- \$9,632,000 (general funds) in the base budget in FY16. Total funding includes \$17,144,374 in FY16 and \$23,925,340 in FY17.

Capital Improvement Projects

The following capital improvement, repair and maintenance, grant-in-aid, and other project funding appropriated by the Legislature for Fiscal Year 2016-2017, may be of interest to or benefit residents of Senate District 13 and the rest of the State.

A big Mahalo to the Legislature and the Governor for their great support!

BUSINESS and ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Foreign Trade Zone Chiller Replacement: \$1 million

Plans, construction and equipment for the replacement of the foreign –trade zone's three aging a/c chiller units

Entrepreneur's Sandbox-Kakaako Collaboration Center: \$3 million

Design, construction and equipment for a facility for the high technology development corporation on Oahu.

State Agency Transit-Oriented Development: \$500,000

Plans for site master planning for state lands in TOD areas that have significant development potential

HOUSING and HOMELESSNESS

Dwelling Unit Revolving Fund Infusion: \$25 million

Funds for additional affordable housing statewide

Low-Income Housing Tax Credit Loans: \$4.23 million

Funds for low-income housing tax credit loans

Rental Housing Revolving Fund: \$36.6 million

Funds for affordable rental housing statewide

Public Housing Development, Improvements, Renovations: \$29.15 million

Plans, design, construction and equipment to develop, upgrade, or renovate public housing facilities

Public Housing Vacant Unit Repairs: \$6 million

Plans, design, construction and equipment for public housing vacant unit repairs

EDUCATION

Central Middle School: \$200,000

Renovation of restrooms and site improvements

Farrington High School: \$600,000

Design and construction for PE facilities

Jefferson Elementary School: \$200,000

Plans, design and construction for a learning center

Kalihi Elementary School: \$1 million

Plans and construction for facility improvements

Kalihi Kai Elementary: \$330,000

Construction for parking lots, student drop-offs

Kalihi Uka Elementary: \$1 million

Improvement of school facilities

Maemae Elementary School: \$2 million

Campus electrical improvements and laying of field-turf in the courtyard area

Mayor Joseph Fern Elementary School: \$20,000

Construction to erect a fence and gate

McKinley High School: \$500,000

Bleachers & site improvements for the athletic field

Nuuanu Elementary School: \$300,000

Plans, design, construction for a portable classroom

Washington Middle School: \$500,000

Construction for a band room and renovations

Kawananakoa Middle School Auditorium Update

Projected to be completed summer of 2016



Kupuna Caucus unveiling 2016 legislative package. The Hawaii State Legislature's Keiki and Kupuna Caucuses have been recognized nationally as two of the most civically-engaging caucuses in the nation. This year, the Keiki Caucus celebrates its 26th anniversary and the Kupuna Caucus celebrates its 11th Anniversary. Mahalo to everyone who has been involved over these many years!



Top Photo: The Senator Chun Oakland staff team poses for a photo (left to right: A'lisha Leisek, Laurie Lush, Angelo McDuffie, Xan Avendaño, Mudra Josephson, Tyler Ingraham)

Middle Photo: The Ways and Means Committee visited the Turtle Bay preservation area to be preserved in perpetuity

Bottom Photo: Seniors advocating at the Capitol for senior center funding (photo credit: Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center)

TRANSPORTATION

Improvements to Aloha Tower and Marketplace: \$18 million

Improvements to address health, safety, energy/operational efficiencies, and infrastructure

Pier 1 and 2 , Honolulu Harbor: \$8.48 million

Design and construction for improvements to container-cargo and cruise ship operational areas

Improvements to Harbors Division Buildings and Associated Facilities: \$26.5 million

Design and construction of improvements to the Harbors Division buildings

Update on Pali Highway Resurfacing Phase I

Anticipated Notice to Proceed: April 2017

Construction Duration: 20 months

Anticipated Construction Completion: Nov. 2018

HEALTH

Hawaii State Hospital: \$1.332 million

Design and construction for health and safety improvements for Hawaii State Hospital

Hawaii Health Systems Corporation: \$12 million

Plans, design, construction for repairs, maintenance, upgrades and improvements

Hawaii State Hospital Patient Care Facility: \$160.5 million

Design and construction for a patient care facility at the Hawaii State Hospital

Lanakila Health Center Air Conditioning: \$207,000

Design and construction for air conditioning improvements

Wahiawa General Hospital: \$2.5 million

General funds to support hospital operations

EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

Disaster Warning and Communications: \$300,000

Plans, land acquisition, design, construction and equipment for incremental addition, replacement and upgrade of state civil defense warning

Retrofit Public Buildings with Hurricane Protective Measures: \$1.8 million

2016 Legislative Highlights

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Human Services and Housing

To address the housing shortage the Legislature has a goal of producing at least 22,500 housing units across the state by 2026. Key pieces of the State housing plan include:

- Increasing funding for the Rental Housing Revolving Fund and the Dwelling Unit Revolving Fund for financing more rental housing and infrastructure (roads, water, sewer, sidewalks, etc.)
- Streamlining policies for the Hawai'i Housing Finance and Development Corporation to make building affordable units more feasible.
- Helping more homeless individuals and families transition into emergency and transitional shelters and permanent housing with the social services they need. It is important to combine affordable housing, health and human services outreach, and public safety efforts that treat people with dignity.

HB 1702 HD1 SD1 CD1 Amends the income tax credit for expenses for household and dependent care services necessary for gainful employment. This measure will assist many working class families pay for basic living expenses.

SB 2560 SD2 HD1 CD1 Requires and appropriates funds for the department of health to provide treatment and care for homeless individuals with serious and persistent mental health challenges as a part of a comprehensive mental health system.

SB 2566 SD1 HD1 CD1 Transfers excess moneys from the rental assistance revolving fund to the rental housing revolving fund to build more affordable rental housing.

HB 2305 HD1 SD1 CD1 Authorizes the creation of Regional State Infrastructure Improvement Subaccounts within the Dwelling Unit Revolving Fund and the use of the Dwelling Unit Revolving Fund to provide loans and grants to finance regional state infrastructure improvements in areas of planned growth.

SB 2561 SD2 HD1 CD1 Establishes a goal of developing or vesting the development of at least 22,500 affordable rental housing units ready for occupancy between 01/01/17 and 12/31/26. Establishes a special action team on rental housing to make recommendations to the Governor, Legislature, and other parties to achieve the goal.

Kupuna Issues & Long-Term Care

HB 1878 HD1 SD2 CD1 Appropriates \$1.7 million for Aging and Disability Resource Centers (ADRCs), in addition to the \$1.4 million in the base budget, and \$32,000 for fall prevention and early detection services for the elderly. Requires the Executive Office on Aging to submit a report to the Legislature in order to determine the effectiveness of the ADRCs.

HB 2252 HD1 SD2 CD1 Requires hospitals to allow patients to designate a caregiver and provide designated caregivers the opportunity to participate in discharge planning and receive instruction prior to the patient's discharge from a hospital. Also known as the Care Act.

Health

SB 2886 SD2 HD2 CD1 Reduces barriers to accessing mental health services for minors by lowering the age of consent to receive treatment and services, other than prescription medication or out-of-home or residential treatment, from eighteen years of age to fourteen years.

SB 2330 SD2 HD2 CD1 Extends the hospital sustainability program for an additional year and appropriates \$65 million. These funds assist hospitals in providing important medical services.

SB 2213 SD2 HD1 CD1 Continues the nursing facility sustainability program for one additional year and appropriates \$14 million. These funds assist hospitals in providing important long term care services.

HB 1943 HD1 SD1 CD1 Provides an inflationary adjustment to the methodology used to provide higher reimbursement rates to facilities providing long-term care to Medicaid recipients.

Taxation

HB 1689 HD2 SD2 Establishes an organic foods production tax credit applicable to taxable years beginning after 12/31/2016. This law will support the expansion of organic food crops in Hawaii.

SB 2987 SD2 HD2 CD1 Extends the annual \$103,000,000 allocation of transient accommodations tax revenues to the counties for fiscal year 2016-2017. This supports all four county governments to provide daily services to maintain roads, parks, sewer, refuse and other critical public services statewide.

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Education

SB 2476 SD2 HD2 CD1 Enhances early intervention language services for children who are deaf, hard of hearing, or deaf-blind. Requires the DOH, DOE and Executive Office on Early Learning to establish a working group for the purposes of investigating issues related to resources and tools for parents of children who are deaf, hard of hearing, or deaf blind and improvements to the statewide system of services that support age-appropriate languages development for children from birth to age five who are deaf, hard of hearing, or deaf-blind.

SB 2387 SD2 HD1 CD1 This law requires a child to provide written documentation of a physical examination performed within twelve months prior to attending seventh grade at a public school.

SB2981 SD1 HD1 CD1 Recognizes American Sign Language as a world language, and allows public school students who pass courses in American Sign Language to receive credit toward world language graduation requirements.

SB 2557 SD2 HD1 CD1 Expands the concussion educational program established under Act 197, Session Laws of Hawaii 2012, and incorporates additional concussion protocol program requirements .

HB 1814 HD1 SD1 CD1 Appropriates funds for a full time position to provide training and track data on public school pupil punishment and use of restraints restrictions

SB 3126 SD2 HD2 CD1 Provides for air conditioning, heat abatement, and related energy efficiency measures at public schools by appropriating \$100 million in general funds to the DOE for these projects.

HB 2569 HD2 SD1 CD1 Requires the Department of Education to establish a goal of becoming net-zero with respect to energy use by 2035. Requires DOE to expedite the cooling of all public school classrooms.

HB 2772 HD1 SD2 CD1- Requires UH to train employees and students on sexual harassment, sexual assault, domestic violence, dating violence, and stalking policies, appoint a confidential advocate to each campus, designate all faculty members as responsible employees under Title IX.

Agriculture

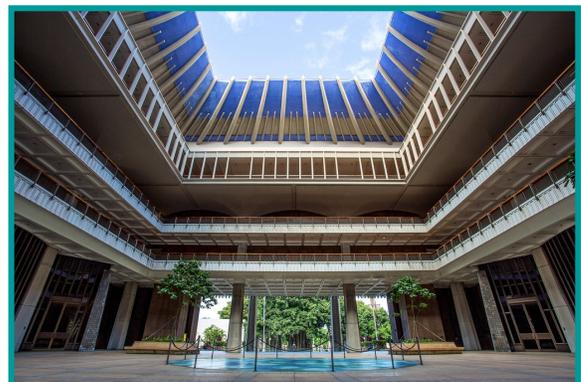
SB 24534 HD1 CD1 Authorizes the court to require a person who violates certain laws pertaining to aquatic resources to: (1) complete an aquatic resources educational class administered by the Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) in addition to or in lieu of paying a monetary fine; and (2) perform community service administered by DLNR in lieu of paying a monetary fine.

SB 2645 SD2 HD1 CD1 Requires the commission on water resource management to establish a program to provide technical assistance to the counties and public water systems to implement standardized water audits of public water systems.

HB 1999 HD1 SD2 CD1 Establishes within the Livestock Revitalization Program a grant program for Qualified Feed Developers.

HB 2582 HD1 SD1 CD1 Requires the Department of Agriculture to develop and implement an Agricultural Food Safety Certification Program that concurrently complies with the FDA Food Safety Modernization Act as it applies to farmers and ranchers. Authorizes and appropriates funds for program staff.

SB 2512 SD1 HD2 CD1 Establishes penalties for the offense of pet animal or equine animal desertion. Imposes a fine not exceeding \$1,000 for each desertion of each pet animal and equine animal and a fine not exceeding \$2,000 for each recklessly caused death of or substantial bodily injury to each pet animal and equine animal, in addition to any other penalties.



The Hawai'i State Capitol Rotunda

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Commerce & Consumer Protection Public Safety

SB 911 SD2 HD2 CD1 Prohibits the use of latex gloves by personnel working in food establishments or by personnel providing ambulance services or emergency medical services beginning on 1/1/2017. Prohibits the use of latex gloves by personnel working in dental health facilities or health care facilities .

HB 1897 HD1 SD1 CD1 Ensures that all insurers in the State, including health benefits plans under chapter 87A, Hawaii Revised Statutes, provide insurance coverage for sexually transmitted disease screenings, including screenings for human immunodeficiency virus and acquired immunodeficiency syndrome.

Transportation

SB2618 SD1 HD2 CD1 Requires the department of transportation to conduct a feasibility study of establishing an interisland and intra-island ferry system.

Environment

HB 1050 SD2 CD1 Mandates the Department of Agriculture to perform specified tasks to address the interisland spread of invasive species

HB 2626 HD1 SD2 CD1 Prohibits the DOH from issuing a permit for a new underground fuel storage tank within 100 yards of the shoreline. Allows DOH to issue a permit to repair or replace existing underground fuel storage tanks. Allows permit holders for existing underground fuel storage tanks located within 100 yards of the shoreline to renew their permits. Prohibits operation of and renewal of a permit for an underground fuel storage tank within one hundred yards of the shoreline, beginning 1/1/2045.

HB 2646 HD2 SD2 CD1 Creates a permanent fuel tank advisory committee to study, monitor, and address fuel tank leak issues.

SB2647 SD1 HD2 CD1 Prohibits the sale, offer to sell, purchase, trade, possession with intent to sell, or barter of any part or product from various animal and marine species. Provides exceptions including for traditional cultural practices protected under the State Constitution. Imposes penalties for violations of the prohibition on trafficking animal parts and products.

SB 2630 SD1 HD1 CD1 Authorizes Hawaii Correctional Industries to sell inmate-made products and services on the open market to the general public. Repeals the prohibition of the sale of such products on the open market.

HB 1907 HD2 SD2 CD1- Requires all law enforcement agencies and departments charged with maintenance, storage, and preservation of sexual assault evidence collection kits to conduct an inventory of all stored kits and report to the Attorney General. Requires the Department of the Attorney General to report to the Legislature on the number of untested sexual assault evidence collection kits being stored, plans and procedures for the disposition of new and untested kits, and related information.

HB 1747 HD1 SD1 CD1 Authorizes a police officer cause to tow a motor vehicle if the operator is arrested or cited for certain intoxicant related offenses.

HB 2632 HD2 SD2 CD1 Requires firearms owners who have been disqualified from owning a firearm and ammunition due to a diagnosis of significant behavioral, emotional, or mental disorder, or due to emergency or involuntary hospitalization to a psychiatric facility, to immediately surrender their firearms and ammunition to the Chief of Police.

Judiciary and Labor

HB 2121 HD3 SD2 CD1 Appropriates \$750,000 from the general fund for civil legal services for low- and moderate-income persons to be purchased by the Judiciary.

HB 1902 HD2 SD1 CD1- The intent of this bill is to adopt a victim- and survivor-centered approach to prosecution of sex trafficking crimes and bring Hawai'i into line with the other forty-nine U.S. States that have adopted comprehensive anti-sex trafficking legislation.

Capital Grant-In-Aid Requests

Bishop Museum: \$1.2 million

Facility improvements on Bishop Museum buildings

Blood Bank of Hawaii: \$1.488 million

Construction for renovations to the new facility.

Hawaii Heritage Center: \$300,000

Construction for a new visitor and education center.

Hawaii Theatre Center: \$300,000

Stage lighting replacement and upgrades

Hawaiian Humane Society: \$350,000

Construction for a new spay neuter clinic

Honolulu Academy of Arts: \$700,000

Construction for a community art learning space

Kuakini Medical Center: \$800,000

Emergency electrical generator system

Kupu: \$750,000

Construction for the KUPU green job training center

Lanakila Pacific: \$115,000

Handicapped access improvements

Mental Health Kokua: \$50,000

Construction for renovation project to develop homeless housing first

Project Vision Hawaii: \$160,000

Construction and equipment for mobile office and medical screening facility.

YMCA of Honolulu: \$200,000

Construction for Phase I renovations to the Waipahu Smokestack

YWCA: \$520,000

Construction for renovations of Laniakea Facility

A complete list of both capital and operating grant-in-aids approved can be found at the Legislature's website: www.Capitol.Hawaii.Gov.

Operating Grant-In-Aid Requests

Adult Friends for Youth: \$200,000

Youth gang prevention

After-School All-Stars Hawaii: \$200,000

Physical activity for disadvantaged students

Aloha Medical Mission: \$158,678

Support Hawaii's only free dental clinic

Catholic Charities Hawaii: \$100,000

Operation of Lanakila Multipurpose Senior Center

Chamber of Commerce of Hawaii: \$100,000

Share costs incurred by Military Affairs Council

Child and Family Service: \$100,000

Trauma-informed intervention services for youth

Empower Oahu: \$200,000

Weed and seed project—prevent crime

Guide Dogs of Hawaii: \$300,000

Assisting blind children improve academically

Hawaii Family Law Clinic: \$50,000

Coaching of young men

Hawaii Institute for Public Affairs: \$350,000

Plan to provide affordable housing

Hawaii Opera Theatre: \$150,000

Expand opera production to neighbor islands

Moiliili Community Center: \$60,000

Operation of senior center

National Kidney Foundation of Hawaii: \$750,000

Better understand and respond to chronic disease

Pacific Gateway Center: \$185,000

Activities to empower kupuna

Parents and Children Together: \$181,428

Kuhio Park Terrace community teen program

Read Aloud America: \$100,000

Read to Me International: \$100,000

Literacy programs for youth

Shade Group LLC: \$100,000

Community design workshops

Waikiki Community Center, Inc.: \$75,000

Operation of senior center

Papakolea Community Development Corp: \$114,650

Workshops for asset building and financial stability

Upcoming Community Meetings

I invite you to attend any of the upcoming community meetings, hosted by my office.

To join the email list for any of the community meetings, please call 586-6130.

Keiki Caucus	<p>All meetings are from 11:30am- 1:00pm and held in State Capitol Conference Room 229</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • June 8 • July 13 • August 3 • September 7 • October 19 • November 2 • December 7 	Vibrant Chinatown Beautification Projects	<p>Beautification projects will be scheduled throughout the year. Please call 586-6130 for more information</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • October 22nd (8:00am- 10:00am)
		Community Planning from Kalihi-Kaka’ako	<p>Quarterly meetings are from 12:00pm-2:00pm. Please call 586-6130 for meeting location.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • June 22 • September 10 • December 8
Kupuna Caucus	<p>All meetings are from 1:30pm-3:30pm and held in State Capitol Conference Room 329</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • July 1 • August 5 • September 2 • October 7 • November 4 • December 2 	Medicaid Buy-In Working Group	<p>For information regarding future meetings planned after July, please call 586-6130.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • July 13, 1:30pm-3:00pm State Capitol Conference Room 229
Housing and Homeless Task Force	<p>All meetings are from 11:30am-1:30pm. Please call 586-6130 for meeting location</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • June 23 • July 21 • August 25 		
Deaf and Blind Task Force Meeting	<p>For all meetings scheduled after June, please call 586-6130.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • June 15, 3:30pm—4:30pm, State Capitol Conference Room 229 		



A’ala Park looking beautiful after a Vibrant Chinatown clean-up!

Contact 586-6130 to get involved with future Chinatown beautifications projects.

Community Resources

Frequently Called Numbers

Executive Office on Aging:	586-0100
Medicare:	1-800-633-4227
Illegal Dumping:	768-3203
Refuse, Recycling, Bulky Item:	768-3200
City Pothole Hotline:	768-7777
State Pothole Hotline:	536-7852
Abandoned Vehicles:	532-7700
Damaged Sidewalks:	768-8159
Park Maintenance:	961-8719
The Bus/Handivan:	456-5555
Tree Trimming:	971-7151
Road Test Appointment:	832-4117
Vehicle Registration:	532-4324
City Voting Information:	768-3800
State Voting Information:	453-8683
Oahu Senior Helpline:	768-7700

Legislative Information

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