



2018 Legislative Session

LEGISLATIVE REVIEW

REPRESENTATIVE DANIEL HOLT

It has been my greatest privilege and honor to serve as your State Representative over the past two years. In these pages you will find information about a number of bills and programs that I have strongly supported and were financed, a body of work that I am proud to stand behind.



MOVING OUR COMMUNITY FORWARD



\$570 Million For Affordable Rentals

As a lifelong resident of Kalihi, I understand how expensive it is for young people to live in our community. The average one bedroom rental on Oahu now costs almost \$2,000 per month, making it difficult to live in our beloved Hawaii and prosper. I am often asked questions about our high cost of living and its effects on our day to day lives.

We need to seriously address this housing crisis, and a much serious appropriation was needed. This year we have injected \$200 million of general funds into the rental assistance revolving fund, while also offering an additional \$370 million in tax credits for the building of affordable rentals. It is estimated that we will create over 25,000 new units with this appropriation! It is my hope that this project will enable more people of my generation to continue living near their families.

Also included in House Bill 2748 is \$10 million to the Dwelling Unit Revolving Fund, which will be used to help upgrade the infrastructure needed for these additional units, and \$50,000 to prepare an assessment of housing needs for persons with access and functional needs.

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IMPORTANT LEGISLATION THIS SESSION



Representative Daniel Holt truly believes with hard work and dedication and perseverance, we can become the best at what we do.



UH Promise Program

Alleviates some of the burden of finishing college with a large amount of student loan debt by providing scholarships for the unmet direct cost needs of qualified students enrolled at any community college campus of the University of Hawaii system. House Bill 2501 also appropriates \$700,000 to establish and implement this program for the upcoming year.



Law Enforcement Standards Board

Hawaii was the last state in the nation to have any state-level regulation of police and only one of a handful of states that does not establish standards to be a police officer. HB2071 creates state-level standards to be governed by the Law Enforcement Standards Board which is made up of government officials, law enforcement officers, and members of the public.



Ban on Modified Firearms

In the wake of the numerous mass shootings across the country, we have tightened up our already very strict gun control laws. The intent of Senate Bill 2046 is to prohibit trigger modification devices, including bump stocks, that are designed or function to accelerate the rate of fire of a semiautomatic firearm.



Opioid Warning Label Requirement

Misuse of prescription opioid pain relievers has been sweeping the nation with drug overdoses claiming more lives in 2016 than motor vehicle accidents or gun violence, making it the deadliest drug crisis in US history. This measure would require a health care professional or pharmacist who dispenses any opioid drug to include a specific warning label on the package.



Ohana Zones - \$30 Million

In an effort to restore public order and help the less fortunate, the legislature appropriated \$30 million to create Ohana Zones, which are essentially tent encampments for the homeless on public lands. In these zones the homeless will have access to basic sanitation, social workers, and a safe place to sleep. In the long run this will save us money due to reduced usage of emergency services, fewer sweeps, and less garbage/hazardous material cleanup.

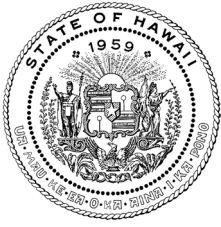


Death With Dignity

Allows qualified, mentally competent, terminally ill residents of Hawaii with less than 6 months to live to obtain a prescription medication that will end their life. This was one of the more controversial bills of the session, with excellent arguments made by both sides.

2018/2019 SIGNIFICANT PROJECT FUNDS

Farrington High School-Campus modernization, ground and site improvements	\$2,000,000
Kalakaua Middle School-Repair of inoperable Fire alarm system	\$900,000
McKinley High School – Upgrade bell system	\$400,000
McKinley High School – Stadium improvements	\$3,200,000
Kalihi Palama Health Center – New facilities for Women’s & Children’s programs	\$200,000
Aloha Medical Mission – Construction of new dental clinic	\$150,000
Weed & Seed Program – Additional funding for Law enforcement initiatives	\$325,000
Volunteer Legal Services – providing free legal services to underserved populations	\$50,000
Bishop Museum – Energy efficiency & site improvements	\$105,000
Honolulu Community College – Reroofing of auto tech & diesel mechanics facility	\$450,000
“I HEART Radio” Tower – relocation of present tower	\$5,000,000
Keehi Industrial Lot improvements – Site improvements	\$19,252,000
Honolulu Harbor Piers 24-25 – Modernization, repairs & improvements	\$26,362,000
Mayor Wright Homes site Infrastructure improvements	\$4,500,000
Kalihi Street-Widening and repair	\$1,500,000



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around the community

After School All Stars from Kalakaua Middle School

Karing for Kalihi Donation Drive

“Children helping other children” was the theme of a donation drive led by the After School All Stars students of Kalakaua Middle School. With the assistance of Senator Glenn Wakai and myself, students from Farrington High School, Kalakaua Middle School, and Kalihi Kai Elementary gathered school supplies, toys, and hygienic products which were then delivered to Institute of Human Services Women’s shelter.



Hawaiian Caucus day with the faculty of Kamakakuokalani Center for Hawaiian Studies



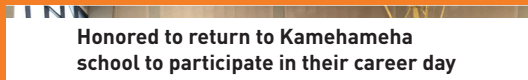
With Representative Jarrett Keohokalole and former Governor John Waihee at Washington Place



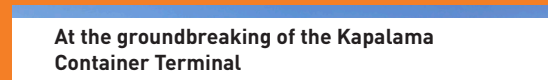
With fellow legislators and government officials at my Legislators Listens community townhall



Presenting an honorary certificate to Robert Cazimero with my Auntie Vicky Holt Takamine



Honored to return to Kamehameha school to participate in their career day



At the groundbreaking of the Kapalama Container Terminal

