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Message from Kalani

I've been attending community meetings throughout the district and visited Moloka'i for a number of events such as the 4H auction and graduation lū'au. Mahalo Moloka'i, I am always impressed with the aloha I receive there and in all the other communities.

J. Kalbui English

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HAWAI'I ASIA PACIFIC CLEAN ENERGY SUMMIT

Sen. English participated in the VERGE Hawai'i Asia Pacific Clean Energy Summit at the Hilton Hawaiian Village on June 12-14. The summit served as a platform for more than 700 key stakeholders—from government, military, corporations, utili-



ties, and Non-Governmental Organizations —to develop new partnerships and learn about innovative technologies and practical solutions that will increase economic and community resilience in Hawai'i and beyond. The summit focused on several key topics: sustainable tourism, distributed energy systems, grid-scale power, models for market transformation, building efficiency, resilience and security as well as decarbonizing transportation.

"Framing the Sustainability Policy Opportunity in Hawai'i," was the title of Sen. English's keynote address, which focused on Hawai'i's long history of systems thinking and sophisticated natural resource management. Joel Makower, Chairman and Executive Editor of the GreenBiz Group, moderated the discussion, which highlighted two of Sen. English's recent legislative endeavors to further advance Hawai'i's sustainability policies: the 2017 adoption of the Paris Climate Accord and the codification of the **17 United Nations Sustainable Development Goals** (UN SDG's) into statute.

"Hawai'i is far ahead of the rest of the country when it comes to climate mitigation and action. Our State is setting the national benchmark for sustainability policies and initiatives," said Sen. English. "Through local efforts, such as the Aloha + Challenge, we are already able to measure our progress in achieving the UN SDG's." For more information visit: https://www. greenbiz.com/events/verge/honolulu/2018



(From L to R) Woody Rubin, Sen. English, Sen. Inouye, Tom O'Flynn and Rob Cooper. Honolulu. June 12, 2018. Sen. English with Maui Mayor Alan Arakawa. Honolulu. June 12, 2018.

HAWAI'I REMAINS A WORLD LEADER IN CLIMATE CHANGE MITIGATION

Three bills that establish policies and programs to address climate change and position Hawai'i to be a national leader in sustainability and clean energy were signed into law on June 4.

HB 2182, now **Act 15**, makes Hawai'i the first state in the nation to commit to a zero-emissions clean economy and sets 2045 as the target date for achieving that goal. Hawai'i aims to achieve "carbon neutrality" by sequestering more carbon and greenhouse gases than it produces, thus creating a net zero carbon footprint.

HB1986, now Act 16, encourages companies to reduce fossil fuel emissions by establishing a carbon offset program that allows for carbon credits through global carbon sequestration protocols and uses the funds from the sale of carbon offset credits to be deposited into the forest stewardship fund or invested into projects to improve the State's water infrastructure to mitigate threats to water sustainability due to climate change.

HB2106, now **Act 17**, requires a sea level rise analysis in environmental impact statements before building projects. Act 17 became effective upon the Governor's approval on June 4. The other two, HB2182 and HB1986, take effect July 1st of this year.

"One year ago, the Governor signed into law my bill, **SB559** (Act 32), which made Hawai'i the first State in the nation to enact legislation aligning with the Paris Climate Accord to combat climate change," said Sen. English. " This year, we have taken further action to address key issues that allow us to remain as a leader in sustainability, clean energy environmental protection and climate mitigation. "

HAWAI'I PESTICIDE BAN BECOMES LAW

On June 13, Hawai'i became the first state in the country to ban the use of the pesticide chlorpyrifos with the signing of **Senate Bill 3095** by the Governor.

The bill, now Act 45, prohibits the use of applying pesticides with chlorpyrifos without a temporary permit, until 2023, when it will be completely banned. It establishes restricted use pesticide-free buffer zones around schools during normal school hours. It also requires all users of restricted use pesticides to annually report the date and location where pesticides are applied and provides the Department of Agriculture with funds to conduct a pesticide drift monitoring study. The law takes effect starting January 1, 2019.

In 2015, Chlorpyrifos was determined to be unsafe by the Environmental Protection Agency, which scientists have definitively linked to developmental delays in children and long-term health effects for those living in exposed areas.

"Hawai'i continues to lead the nation in protecting our natural environment from harmful chemicals that can have negative health effects for our people," said Sen. English. "The community strongly supported their right to know what chemicals are being sprayed near their homes, schools and in their community and I am glad that we were able to deliver it to them through the passage of SB3095."



SEN. ENGLISH ATTENDS COMMUNITY MEETINGS

Sen. English attended the Ha'iku Community Association Meeting at the Ha'iku Community Center on June 20; the Kula Community Association Meeting on June 27 and the Waiohuli Homestead Association General Meeting on June 30. At the meetings he updated the community members on the work that he has done to help their communities, the region and the district as a whole.



"I am always pleased to see family and friends at the community meetings," said Sen. English. "More importantly, to interact with residents keeps me in touch with what is happening in our communities."



Sen. English and Rep. Lynn Decoite gave the Ha'iku Community Association Meeting a 2018 Legislative update. June 20, 2018.



Kula Community Association Meeting, Kula, Maui. June 27, 2018.

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Senate Trains Federated States Of Micronesia Staffers



(L-R) Chief Clerk Carol Taniguchi, Suda Rayel (Administrative Officer), Sen. English, Elise Palsis (Legal Secretary) and Rosenty Nowell (Building Specialist).

The Senate welcomed two staffers from the National Government of the Federated States of Micronesia (FSM) for a four day legislative training from June 4-7. FSM staffers Elise Palsis, a legal secretary and Rosenty Nowell, a building specialist, shadowed their Hawai'i Senate counterparts to learn more about the legislative process, facility/building management and other aspects of the Capitol's day-to-day operations.

Over the course of their training, they met with a number of staff

including: Ben Villaflor (Senate Sergeant At-Arms), Carol Taniguchi (Senate Chief-Clerk), Ernie Bautista (Capitol Facilities Manager), Debbie Aki (Inventory/Supply Manager), Tia Lobendahn (Print Shop/Document Center), David Low (Senate Accountant) and Patricia Arakaki (Senate Accountant Clerk).

"Over the last 18 years I have offered free training to the regional legislatures and parliaments, both to members and staff throughout the Pacific," said Sen. English. "I am very happy that the **United Nations Development Programme** (UNDP) coordinated trainings for the FSM in Hawai'i and I look forward to continued collaborations between our governments."

BICYCLISTS RECEIVE MORE PROTECTION UNDER NEW LAW

Act 47 requires the driver of a vehicle passing and overtaking a bicycle proceeding in the same direction to allow at least three feet of separation between the right side of the driver's vehicle and the left side of the bicyclist. **HB 2215** Passing/Overtaking Bicycles was signed into law June 20, 2018 as ACT 47.



Funds Released For Capital Improvement Projects

\$500,000 was released for the partial completion of Phase 2 of the Waiohuli Hawaiian Homestead community center in Kula.

\$500,000 for a new office-storage facility at Kaunakakai Harbor on Moloka'i was also released.



(L-R) OHA Trustee Hulu Lindsey, Rep. DeCoite, Rep. Yamashita, Perry Artates, Homestead Association scholarship winners: Kainalu Kubo and Kailihiwa Greig, with Sen. English at the Waiohuli Homestead Assoc. Annual Meeting. Kula, Maui. June 30, 2018.



Sen. English attended the Maui Behavioral Health Resources Officer Insallation and Award Ceremony. Kahului, Maui. June 28, 2018.



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Moloka'i Events, Meetings and Activities

On June 23, Sen. English was among the attendees at the Moloka'i Little League minors tournament in Kaunakakai. He was honored to address the many fans, family and friends who came to watch the baseball games. At the opening ceremony, Filemon "David" Nanod was given the Little League's Volunteer award for his many years of commitment to the game. He was involved for 59 years in Little League as a coach, umpire, scorekeeper and public address announcer at home on Moloka'i and throughout the State.

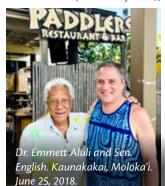
The same day, while on Moloka'i Sen. English also attended The King's Lū'au presented by the King Kamehameha Celebration Commission in commemoration of the King Kamehameha Holiday. The lū'au was also in



View of aeteriorating road along Kamenamena V Highway. Kalua'aha, Moloka'i. June 24, 2018.



Sen. English and Kumu Hinaleimoana Wong meet with Zhantell Dudoit and Hanalei Lindo, to discuss homelessness on Moloka'i. Kaunakakai, Moloka'i. June 25, 2018





At the Baseball Tournament honoring David "The Professor" Nanod. (L-R) Sen. English, Council Member Stacy Helm-Crivello, David Nanod and Rep. DeCoite. Kaunakakai, <u>Moloka'i. June 23</u>, 2018.

honor of former island commissioner Rose Mae Enos. The luau was held at the Moloka'i Community Health Center Great Room and featured entertainment by Manu Boyd, Lehua Kalima and Shawn Pimental; raffles; crafts and makana makamae.



Sen. English and Rep. Lynn DeCoite inspecting deteriorating roads on East-End Moloka'i in the front of the church. Kalua'aha. June 24, 2018.



Aunty Kauila Reyes, Kumu Hinaleimoana Wong at King Kamehameha Lū'au celebration. Kaunakakai, Moloka'i. June 23, 2018.



Baseball tournament. Kaunakakai, Moloka'i. June 23, 2018.