



Hawaii State Senator Bennette E. Misalucha

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Report to the Pearl City Neighborhood Board No. 21 May 2022

Dear Neighbor,

It's a wrap - That echoed through the Senate Chamber on May 5, 2022 as the Thirty-first Legislature adjourned sine die for 2022. I'm proud of the efforts my colleagues and I have made towards improving the quality of life for residents here in Hawaii. Some highlights include passing historic bills on minimum wage, education, housing, human services, and other pertinent issues for Hawaii's working families.

We were able to successfully pass six bills (See more on those measures in the report). Governor David Ige has until July 12, 2022 to sign each bill into law. I also had seven senate concurrent resolutions, and 13 senate resolutions that I authored and introduced. I am pleased that they have passed the Legislature. Mahalo to everyone who stayed engaged throughout the process and advocated for what you believe in.

As always, if there is any way I can assist you with any concerns, please let me know at (808) 586-6230 or email me at senmisalucha@capitol.hawaii.gov.

At Your Service,

Senator Bennette E. Misalucha
Senate District 16

Calendar of Events

May 2022

- 5 Adjournment Sine Die
- 24 Pearl City Community Association Meeting, 7:00pm
- 30 Memorial Day Holiday

June 2022

- 10 Kamehameha Day Holiday (Observed)
- 11 Kamehameha Day Holiday

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STATE & CAPITOL UPDATES

Senator Misalucha's Bills That Passed the Legislature



SB2202 HD1 CD1 – RELATING TO VOLUNTEER MONTH

DESIGNATES THE MONTH OF APRIL OF EACH YEAR AS THE STATE'S VOLUNTEER MONTH; PROVIDED THAT THE MONTH IS NOT CONSTRUED AS A STATE HOLIDAY. TAKES EFFECT 7/1/2022. (CD1)

SB2214 SD2 HD1 CD1 – RELATING TO DIGITAL LITERACY

ESTABLISHES A DIGITAL LITERACY PROGRAM TO BE OVERSEEN BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND IMPLEMENTED BY THE STATE LIBRARIAN TO PROMOTE DIGITAL LITERACY THROUGH PROGRAMMATIC ACTIVITIES, INCLUDING MAKING DIGITAL TECHNOLOGY ACCESSIBLE TO INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES. APPROPRIATES FUNDS. (CD1)

SB2457 SD1 HD1 CD1 – RELATING TO IMMIGRANT RESOURCE CENTERS

APPROPRIATES FUNDS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS' OFFICE OF COMMUNITY SERVICES TO RESTORE FUNDING FOR IMMIGRANT RESOURCE CENTERS. (CD1)

SB2679 SD2 HD2 CD1 – RELATING TO DRIVER'S LICENSES

EXTENDS THE RENEWAL PERIOD FROM TWO YEARS TO FOUR YEARS FOR LICENSEES WHO ARE SEVENTY-TWO YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER BUT YOUNGER THAN EIGHTY YEARS OF AGE. TAKES EFFECT 1/1/2023. (CD1)

SB2695 SD2 HD1 CD1 – RELATING TO CRYPTOCURRENCY

ESTABLISHES A BLOCKCHAIN AND CRYPTOCURRENCY TASK FORCE. (CD1)

SB2700 SD2 HD1 CD1 – RELATING TO THE EARLY CHILDHOOD REGISTRY

AUTHORIZES THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES TO REQUIRE THE STAFF OF LICENSED AND REGISTERED EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAMS TO ANNUALLY PROVIDE SPECIFIC INFORMATION TO THE DEPARTMENT'S EARLY CHILDHOOD WORKFORCE REGISTRY. REQUIRES A REPORT TO THE LEGISLATURE. (CD1)

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Capital Improvement Projects for Pearl City

Senator Misalucha is pleased to announce that monies have been released for capital improvement projects (CIP) in Pearl City.

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SENATOR BENNETTE E.
MISALUCHA
ANNOUNCES MONIES RELEASED FOR CAPITAL
IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

 **\$1,600,000** for Pearl City High School
To finance design and construction for medical classroom renovations

 **\$6,022,000** for Waimano Ridge Building
To finance the complete renovation of Building 10 at Waimano Ridge in Pearl City in order to convert a former dormitory into office space for the Department of Health's Family Health Services Division

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COMMUNITY UPDATES

Student Achievements at Pearl City Area Schools

On May 9, 2022, Senator Misalucha conducted a site visit to Pearl City High School where she met with school administrators, instructors, and students to monitor classes that offer different programs



Principal Joseph Halfmann (left), students, and Student Activities Coordinator Kyle Miyashiro gather around Sen. Misalucha during her time engaging with young leaders of tomorrow.

Senator Misalucha recognized finalists and winners in the statewide Olelo Youth XChange Competition, video contest, with Senate Certificates at Pearl City Highlands Elementary, Highlands Intermediate, and Pearl City High School.



Senator Misalucha is with Principal Zachary Sheets, staff Lauren Kim (Librarian/Enrichment/Media) and student winners and finalists on May 18, 2022.