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Community Update

Representative Linda Ichiyama House District 31: Moanalua, Salt Lake, Aliamanu Room 426 • Phone # 586-6220



Opening Day

The Hawaii State House of Representatives opened the 2011 legislative session at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, January 19, 2011 at the State Capitol.

During the opening ceremony, the Moanalua High School string ensemble, led by MoHS music director Mr. Elden Seta, and artist-in-residence Sean Na'auao performed for members of the House and their guests.

Following the ceremonies, Rep. Ichiyama held a reception in her offices to greet constituents, lobbyists, and fellow state officials.



The Moanalua High School string ensemble with their Music Director, Mr. Elden Seta, and Rep. Ichiyama.



Members of local union, UNITE HERE, Local 5, with Rep. Ichiyama.



Speaker Say and Rep. Ichiyama thank the student performers.



Rep. Ichiyama celebrates Opening Jake Manegdeg and Rev. Sam Day with her mother, Carole Ichiyama.



Domingo came to congratulate the representative.



Members of ILWU, Local # 142 came to wish Rep. Ichiyama luck in her first session.

Community Concerns Directory

Traffic Signal Maintenance: 768-5333

Graffiti hotline (recording): 296-9473

Department of health (noise section): Construction- 586-4700 Vehicles- 911

Stream Maintenance: 768-7890

Road maintenance, C&C Honolulu-East Oahu Areas: 768-3621

Pothole hot line: 768-7777

Fallen tree: 911

Bulky item pick up Salt Lake/Hawaii Kai: 832-7840

Abandoned or derelict vehicles: 733-2530 Please have the vehicle's description (make, model, color, etc.), license number, and location address or intersecting streets available when placing a call.

A comprehensive list of City services can be found at:

http://www1.honolulu.gov/csd/publiccom /onecall.htm



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Capitol News: Updated Info on the Legislature

Updated Information Sheets can be found on Public Access Room's (PAR) website (<u>http://hawaii.gov/lrb/par/legfyi.html</u>), or you can stop by the PAR at the State Capitol (Room 401). There are new legislators, some others have moved offices, and we'll keep you updated on leadership and committee assignments. Revised floor maps of the State Capitol are posted, too – very helpful as you make the rounds!

Need a primer on how things unfold during session? Check out the "Walk through Session" document available on the PAR home page (listed above) or the Documents page. It's rich with detailed information that is particularly useful to people who want to develop a deeper understanding of the legislative process.

Visiting: Students & Seniors



Students from 'Olelo interviewed Rep. Ichiyama for Youth Capitol Commentary.



Volunteers from AARP with Rep. Ichiyama (left-right: Jackie Boland, Laurel Leslie, and Wally Landford).

Current Legislation

Bills Introduced by Rep. Ichiyama:

HB873

The difficult economic times have negatively impacted our local small businesses. This is especially worrisome for Hawaii's people, as small businesses make up the majority of our economy. In support of local entrepreneurship, HB873 will put \$2,000,000 towards the Hawaii capital loan revolving fund, which will be used to aid struggling small businesses that do not qualify for private loans.

HB874

Illegal dumping is a significant problem in our neighborhoods. Waste on our streets is not only an issue of public safety, but it is also a public health hazard. To discourage people from polluting our neighborhoods, HB874 specifies a minimum penalty for dumping (i.e. a minimum penalty of \$2000 for felony disposal of solid waste and \$500 for petty misdemeanor disposal of solid waste).

HB875

In recent years, public schools in certain districts have been experiencing an over enrollment of students, many of whom are not residents of the area. Contributing to this issue is the misuse of power of attorney. HB875 prohibits parents and guardians from abusing the use of a power of attorney to avoid school enrollment requirements, and requires them to certify that a power of attorney is not being used for those purposes.

Community Meeting Schedule

Moanalua Gardens Community Association - 7:00pm Tuesday, February 1, 2011 at Moanalua Middle School, Rm B2

Moanalua Valley Community Association - 7:00pm Wednesday, February 9, 2011 at Moanalua Valley Golf Clubhouse

Neighborhood Board # 18 (Salt Lake/Aliamanu/Foster Village) - 7:00pm Thursday, February 10, 2011 at Oahu Veterans Center