

## Hawaii State Representative Adrian K. Tam



House District 24

# NEWSLETTER

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#### The 2025 Legislature is Officially in Session!

The Hawaii House of Representatives kicked off 2025 legislative session January 15th under historic new leadership, our first female Speaker of the House, Representative Nadine Nakamura. I am excited to be apart of this new era and I look forward to working together on important issues such as protecting our 'āina, affordable housing and condo insurance, and economic revitalization. Save the date for our mid-session Legislative Update **Town Hall Thursday February 20th from 6-7pm at Jefferson Elementary School.** 

### LEGISLATIVE UPDATE



- HBI02: RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION. Prohibits the issuance of a certificate of inspection for a moped or motor vehicle that has been altered, installed, or otherwise modified in any way which will noticeably increase the noise emitted by the motor vehicle or moped above that emitted by the motor vehicle or moped from the factory.
- **HB613: RELATING TO HOMELESS YOUTH**. Appropriates funds to the Department of Human Services to provide emergency shelter and services to unaccompanied homeless youth.
- **HB211: RELATING TO STREAM MAINTENANCE.** Clarifies that personal property stored in or near a public stream or tributary for a continuous period of more than twenty-four hours shall become abandoned property which the Department of Land and Natural Resources shall dispose of.
- **HB251: RELATING TO SOCIAL WORK.** Requires the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, in collaboration with the Department of Human Services, to develop and establish a social work training program to assist nonviolent incarcerated individuals in the area of social work. Requires progress reports on the program to the Legislature. Appropriates funds.
- HB106: RELATING TO CONDOMINIUMS. Clarifies the authority of condominium associations to impose fines for violations of the declaration, bylaws, house rules, or regulations adopted by the condominium association. Establishes a process for the unit owner or tenant of the unit owner to appeal the imposition of a fine. Clarifies the responsibilities of unit owners to pay common expense assessments and rights and process for unit owners to appeal assessments other than common expense assessments.

### REP TAM AT WORK 🆧

2025 Hawaii State Legislature - Wednesday, January 15



Sen. Sharon Moriwaki, Rep. Tam and Joannie Hsieh



House of Representatives class of 2020 back in session again! (L-R) Reps Greggor Ilagan, Adrian Tam, Lisa Marten, Jeanne Kapela and Jackson Sayama.



## **OPENING DAY**

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Lt. Gov. Sylvia Luke and Rep. Tam



Hawaii Tourism Authority's Daniel Nahoopii presented hula.



Rep. Tam with Council for Native Hawaiian Advancement staff (L-R) Tyler Gomes, Rep. Tam, Kumu Hinaleimoana Wong-Kalu and Ka'i'ini Arnaydo.



Noe Noe Wong-Wilson, Rep. Tam, Stacelynn Eli and Rep. Darius Kila



Rep. Tam and Derek Turbin



Councilmember Val Okimoto and Rep. Tam



Rep. David Tarnas and Rep. Tam.



Opening oli with Kumu Pono Alejo and Jonah Saribay-Lacuesta



Rep. Tam and Krishna Jayaram, Deputy Managing Director, LGBQTIA+ Liaison, City & County of Honolulu at the plenary of the conference.



Councilmember Tyler Dos Santos-Tam, Breanna Zoey, DOH Sexual and Gender Minority Working Group and Rep. Tam spoke about LGBTQIA+ legislative and policy priorities.



Moderator Peter Tui Silva, Chief Executive Officer, Kumukahi Health + Wellness kicks off the conference.



## 2025 HAWAII STATE HARM REDUCTION CONFERENCE

I was honored to speak about the accomplishments and future policy plans of the Hawaii State Legislative Equality Caucus at the 2025 Hawaii State Harm Reduction Conference held at the University of Hawai'i at Manoa on Friday, January 10, 2025. The caucus has a membership of about 20 legislators consisting of both house and senate members. Together, we advocate for harm reduction in the LGBTQ+ community by creating legislation for better healthcare, housing, drug treatment and access to civil liberties protections.





### **ADVISORIES** WAIKIKI ROAD CLOSURES



February 4, 2025 Sunday 5:30 AM Lanes Close 9.30 AM Lanes Reopen

JOHNNY FAERBER 10K RUN sponsored by RRCA/Mid Pacific Roadrunners Club. The event is expected to have 250 runners. It will start on Kalakaua Ave., to Diamond Head Rd., to Kahala Ave., to Paikau St., to Diamond Head Rd., to 22nd Ave., to Kilauea Ave., to Elepaio St., to Kahala Ave., to Diamond Head Rd., to Kalakaua Ave., to finish at Honolulu Marathon finish line area.

> February 10, 2025 Saturday 12:00 PM Road Closes 12:00 AM Road Reopens

LOKAHI FESTIVAL sponsored by Uncle Glenn's Hawaiian Food LLC. The event is expected to have 10.000+ participants. The event will close Kalakaua Avenue., all lanes and sidewalk areas from Seaside Ave. to Uluniu Ave. Lane closures start at 12:30pm for set up.

> February 26, 2025 Monday 8:30 AM Lanes Close 10:00 AM Lanes Reopen

ALOHA 5K RUN sponsored by BOCA Hawaii. The event is expected to have 300 runners. It will start at Kapiolani Park, to Monsarrat Ave., to Paki Ave., to Kalakaua Ave., and end at Kapiolani Park (2 loops).

(All times approximate)

### CONDO CORNER

#### **Condominium Insurance Basics**

The Hawaii condominium law states that, unless otherwise provided in the declaration or bylaws, a condominium association must purchase and maintain property insurance, commercial general liability insurance, a fidelity bond and directors and officer's liability coverage.

Unit owners may also be required to obtain insurance. If a unit owner fails to do so, the association can purchase this insurance and charge the cost back to the owner.

You may find more information on condominium insurance at <u>https://cca.hawaii.gov/reb/files/2020/04/Condo-</u> Insurance-Basics-Final.pdf



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