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Talk story w/the Representative

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 Before the Kihei Community
 Association Meeting

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UH Manoa students came by to talk about minimum wage.



This month Speaker Saiki installed water dispensers to encourage flask fill-ups, and discourage plastic bottles and disposable cups. The mind set at the Capitol is changing - faster than the climate I hope.

E KOMO MAI

One of the joys of being a Representative is meeting with people who are engaging in the process. Our door is open to all but we especially enjoy visitors from Maui!



Women from all islands congregated before sharing their mana'o on SB1033 concerning midwifery.



Kihei residents Waimea, Katy and Makena Tsark came by Room 327 and Makena shadowed Tina and office manager, Natalia, for the morning.

Email Wildberger3@capitol.hawaii.gov if you'd like to receive an email of upcoming hearings on bills or to receive newsletter by email.

UPDATE ON BILLS CONCERNING WATER RIGHTS

HB1326 RELATING TO WATER RIGHTS passed the House of Representatives and has crossed over to the Senate. This bill has significant ramifications for Maui and Tina has made her position clear through public statements, and her 'no' votes in Committee and in session. If you have an opinion on this controversial bill, now is the time to make your voice heard.

Proud to pose w/these activists for the water, the 'aina, and the people.



- 1) Submit Testimony online or in person. (Go to www.capitol.hawaii.gov and register, or go to the District 11 website www.dist11maui.com for instructions.)
- 2) Contact the Chair and members of committees hearing this bill. HB1326 is being heard by WTL (Water & Land - Chair Sen Kahele) and WAM (Ways and Means - Chair Sen Dela Cruz).

Respectful emails and/or phone calls are effective.

In the January 30, 2019 **mauitime** article by Deborah Rybak, "It's the Water, Stupid: Mahi Pono hasn't told the public what it plans to plant, but demands the water to do it anyway" Tina expressed her support for Rep DeCoite's bill HB1573 which DeCoite described as prohibiting "any water use permit that authorizes the diversion of water from East Maui streams for commercial purposes." Tina said "It's not my desire to subvert Mahi Pono's efforts." "But I also don't want to greenlight the A&B-style 'take everything and leave nothing.' I promised my community that I would not be an automatic 'yes' person to the establishment and the old ways of doing business."

Aloha South Maui,

The season of Makahiki has ended and, appropriately, the legislature has swung into high gear for hearings and, ultimately, passing bills. A few at least... It has been a swift learning curve. Together with my staff, we are affecting change at The Capitol... baby steps!

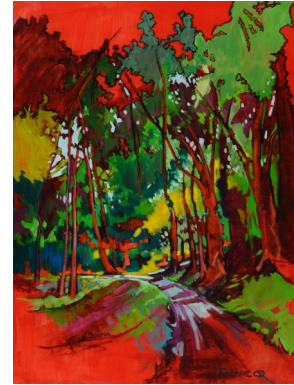
Working with leadership, I have been nominated to the Hawai'i Invasive Species Council. I have already met with Dr. Josh Atwood, DLNR, and look forward to collaborating with Maui Invasive Species Committee. Speaker Saiki has also nominated me to the Council of State Government's Energy Committee. After session, I will be attending conferences with other legislators to learn more about good governance and effective solutions to community challenges.

Half way through the legislative season, we are working hard to pass these resolutions that address issues that didn't pass in bill form.

Makahiki time

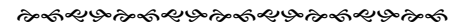
HCR81	To develop a sustainable food security strategic plan and prepare an annual report to legislature (in response to Maui milk shortage)
HCR194	To develop legislation providing expanded and improved Medicare for all.
HCR195	Convening a working group to discuss local issues surrounding waste reduction.
HCR196	Requesting the BLNR prioritize stream restoration and protection when discussing and making water and land use decisions affecting the environment and drinking water.
HCR197	Requesting a study that summarizes the published reports and studies on the effects of 5G wireless technology on biological life.
HCR198	Requesting the legislature convene a working group to discuss the economic growth potential of investing in Green Industry initiatives.

ART AT THE CAPITOL



On April 5th, from 4:30pm to 7pm, Legislators are opening their offices to the public to showcase selections borrowed from the State of Hawai'i's public art collection as part of the Art in Public Places program. Artists,

many of them local, will be there to meet and talk story. Come by our office (Rm 327) to see art by renowned Maui Artist, Ed Lane.



CAPITOL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS (CIP) REQUESTS

Our team is working hard to shepherd these requests through the legislative process. Look for updates with details of the funding we are able to secure.

Lokelani Intermediate School- \$24,570,000

Design & construction for Admin & Library Building, J-Building renovation, new locker rooms, Traffic Loop, & ADA compliance upgrades.

Kihei High Safe Crossing- \$10,000,000

Design & construction for an overpass/underpass at Piilani Highway for Kihei high school.

South Maui Shoreline Master Plan- \$5,000,000

Comprehensive Master Plan for public shoreline access for DLNR-managed parcels on South Maui's shoreline.

Details are outlined in Rep Wildberger's CIP bill, HB 1194 RELATING TO CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE ELEVENTH REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT. Go to the Capitol website to see. www.capitol.hawaii.gov