

REPRESENTATIVE **KYLE YAMASHITA** 

Aloha Neighbors,

Recently, the Hawaii Supreme Court denied a challenge to the redistricting maps drawn by the Hawaii Reapportionment Commission. This means that the maps completed by the Commission will be used by the Office of Elections in upcoming State elections.

The map on this page shows the new boundaries that make up House District 12 which extends from Upcountry to Maui's south shore.

Meanwhile, we continue to work diligently during the current legislative session which has passed the mid-way point. Although the pandemic is under control, we are now struggling with how to address the high inflation rate.

As always, thank you for allowing me to serve you and our community. I appreciate your support and aloha. Please let me know if I can be of assistance.

Sincerely,

Please assist us in our initiative to '**GO GREEN**,' and send us your email address to receive newsletters by email. Call: (808) 586-6330 Email: <u>repyamashita@capitol.hawaii.gov</u> Makawao · Kula · Pukalani · Keokea · Ulupalakua · Spreckelsville · Kahului

# **TOWN & UPCOUNTRY UPDATE**

April 2022

## Reapportionment

The Hawaii Reapportionment Commission has completed the review of the distribution of the population according to the 2020 census and have re-drawn political districts to ensure that citizens are equally represented. Spreckelsville moves to House District 13 and House District 12 gains portions of Pulehunui.



Additional maps are available on the State Office of Elections website: https://elections.hawaii.gov/about-us/boards-and-commissions/reapportionment/ Page 2

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### **Mid-Session Highlights**

**Hawaii Farm to School Program; Farm to School Meals; Implementation Plan and Timeline.** Appropriates funds to the Department of Education for additional resources to help implement the Hawaii Farm to School Program. Requires the Department of Education to submit a report detailing a plan and timeline for implementation of the Hawaii Farm to School Program to School Program to the Legislature by January 1, 2023. <u>HB2304 HD1</u>

Nursing; Faculty; University of Hawaii. Appropriates funds to the University of Hawaii to increase the State's capacity to train new nurses and project future nursing workforce needs. <u>HB2220 HD1</u>

Hawaiian Language; Consistent Use, Spelling, and Punctuation; Letterhead; Office Translations; List of Dialects and Variations. Requires all letterheads of the State and counties that include Hawaiian names or words to use, spell, and punctuate those names and words consistently and in conformance with certain references. Requires certain state officials to prominently display a Hawaiian language translation of the name of their respective office or department at least once on the main page of their official website and in the letterhead of their stationery. <u>HB2491 HD2</u>

"Hawaii Made"; "Made in Hawaii"; Brand Promotion. Requires the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism to promote the acquisition of appropriate patents and copyrights for "Hawaii Made" products and conduct a study and prepare a plan for the promotion and enforcement of either a "Hawaii Made" or "Made in Hawaii" program and brand, including an evaluation of which name to use. <u>HB2082 HD2</u>

**School Facilities Authority; Preschool.** Appropriates funds to the School Facilities Authority for the construction of preschool facilities. <u>HB2000 HD1</u>

**Cesspool Compliance Pilot Grant Project.** Establishes and appropriates funds for a Cesspool Compliance Pilot Grant Project to assist low- and moderate-income property owners, including lessees on Hawaiian Home Lands, with the costs of upgrading, converting, or connecting a cesspool. <u>HB2195 HD2</u>

**Department of Hawaiian Home Lands; Native Hawaiian Rehabilitation Fund.** Appropriates \$600,000,000 to the Native Hawaiian Rehabilitation Fund for the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands to fulfill its fiduciary duties to beneficiaries. Requires an annual report to the Legislature. <u>HB2511 HD2</u>

**Driver's License; Expiration and Renewal; Kupuna.** Extends the renewal period from two years to four years for licensees who are 72 years of age or older but younger than 80 years of age. <u>HB1822 HD1</u>



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### HB1600 HD1 EXECUTIVE BUDGET BY DEPARTMENT GENERAL FUNDS



#### **Budget Highlights**

\$12.3 million for Maui Memorial Medical Center renovations, expansion, and improvements

\$45.0 million for improvements to terminals and facilities at Kahului Airport

\$10.0 million for master planning for a new elementary and middle school in Central Maui

\$20.0 million for design, construction and equipment for the Central Maui waste water treatment plant



Presenting the Budget Bill to the House of Representatives with Finance Chair Sylvia Luke

Discussing education issues with Interim Superintendent Keith Hayashi

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#### <u>Maui County</u>

#### CIP Highlights 2022-2023

Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) are bond funded critical infrastructure of the State — including highways, schools, airports, and harbors. These funds cannot be used for every day operations like unemployment insurance, general assistance, or other services.

#### Kahului Airport, Maui

\$3,000,000

To finance the design of ticket lobby improvements at Kahului, Maui.

Released by the Governor February 15, 2022.

# Mani Events



**Upcountry Farmer's Market at** 

Kula Malu Town Center

55 Kiopaa Street, Pukalani Every Saturday 7 a.m. -11 a.m.

