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MESSAGE FROM KALANI

The bills I introduced summarizes my past priorities and represents the direction that we are moving in to achieve a sustainable future for Hawai'i. The 17 United Nations Sustainable Goals combined with the recommendation in the Hawai'i climate change mitigation and adaptation commission report are the steps towards identifying, planning and management of the concerns we face with increasing sea level rise and climate change.

By enacting laws addressing these issues we can take the necessary actions to make our Hawai'i, the land and sea, sustainable and create a safe, peaceful and productive environment for all to thrive.

J. Kalani English

SENATOR J.KALANI ENGLISH

HAWAI'I STATE SENATE 7TH DISTRICT

HĀNA, EAST AND UPCOUNTRY MAUI,
MOLOKA'I, LĀNA'I AND KAHŌ'OLAWĒ



OPENING DAY OF THE 2018 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

The Hawai'i State Senate convened the second year of the 29th Legislative Biennium Session on January 17. The opening session commenced with an invocation by Pastor Matt Higa from New Hope Kaua'i. Ms. Nalani Brun performed the National Anthem and Hawai'i Pono'i. Among the honored guests in the Senate Chamber were members of the Fukuoka Prefectural Assembly, the Governor, and neighbor island mayors and council members.

Capitol offices were also open to the public and provided food and refreshments while individuals met with legislators. Numerous guests, including students, community leaders, union members and constituents stopped by to visit with Sen. English.

The opening day ceremonies at the Capitol also coincided with the 125th commemoration of the overthrow of the Hawaiian Kingdom. Thousands of people gathered at the Hawai'i State Capitol and on the grounds of 'Iolani Palace to take part in the festivities that included: a march from Mauna Ala to 'Iolani Palace, speeches in the Capitol rotunda by Hawaiian legislators and community leaders, as well as live music and performances on the grounds of 'Iolani Palace.

"As I begin my 19th year in the Senate, I am committed to continuing our efforts to build a more resilient state and improve the quality of life for all who call Hawai'i home," said Sen. English. "For our district, I have introduced a number of bills that includes support for school improvement projects, funding for aging roads and infrastructure and the protection of our natural resources."



2018 SUBSTANTIVE BILLS INTRODUCED BY SENATOR ENGLISH

Sen. English is the primary introducer of the following bills. Note that Senate Bills 2661 to 2678 are the bills that encompass the Senate Majority Package. For the status of a bill and to submit testimony go to: <http://www.capitol.hawaii.gov>

- SB 2661** Codifies sustainable development goals (SDG) based on the United Nations' Global Goals and indicators.
- SB 2662** Codifies SDG based on the United Nations' Global Goal one, no poverty.
- SB 2663** Codifies SDG based on the United Nations' Global Goal two, zero hunger.
- SB 2664** Codifies SDG based on the United Nations' Global Goal three, good health and well-being.
- SB 2665** Codifies SDG based on the United Nations' Global Goal four, quality education.
- SB 2666** Codifies SDG based on the United Nations' Global Goal five, gender equality.
- SB 2667** Codifies SDG based on the United Nations' Global Goal six, clean water and sanitation.
- SB 2668** Codifies SDG based on the United Nations' Global Goal seven, affordable and clean energy.
- SB 2669** Codifies SDG based on the United Nations' Global Goal eight, decent work and economic growth.
- SB 2670** Codifies SDG based on the United Nations' Global Goal nine, relating to industry, innovation, and infrastructure.
- SB 2671** Codifies SDG based on the United Nations' Global Goal ten, reducing inequalities.
- SB 2672** Codifies SDG based on the United Nations' Global Goal eleven, sustainable cities and communities.
- SB 2673** Codifies SDG based on the United Nations' Global Goal twelve, responsible consumption and production.
- SB 2674** Codifies SDG based on the United Nations' Global Goal thirteen, climate action.
- SB 2675** Codifies SDG based on the United Nations' Global Goal fourteen, life below water.
- SB 2676** Codifies SDG based on the United Nations' Global Goal fifteen, life on land.
- SB 2677** Codifies SDG based on the United Nations' Global Goal sixteen, relating to peace, justice, and strong institutions.
- SB 2678** Codifies SDG based on the United Nations' Global Goal seventeen, strengthening implementation.
- SB 2679** Provides limited liability protection for county lifeguards.
- SB 2680** Requires the legislative reference bureau to conduct a study on the impact of the weighted student formula on small and remote schools to determine whether the formula fulfills its statutory purpose of equalizing operational funding among the State's public schools.
- SB 2681** Establishes labeling requirements for any food or raw agricultural commodity sold in the State that contains a genetically engineered material.
- SB 2682** Appropriates funds to the department of land and natural resources' division of forestry and wildlife, Maui branch, for invasive species technician positions in east Maui to address invasive plants and animals.
- SB 2683** Legalizes the personal use, possession, and sale of marijuana in a specified quantity. Requires licensing to operate marijuana establishments. Subjects marijuana establishments to excise taxes and income taxes.
- SB 2684** Clarifies what pedestrians are required to do in a crosswalk with a countdown timer.
- SB 2685** Exempts the gross proceeds of any qualified small farmer from the general excise tax.
- SB 2686** Prohibits the issuance of new building permits unless it is established that the building will be furnished with equipment that allows for the collection and future use of gray water.
- SB 2687 SD1** Appropriates funds to the University of Hawai'i to translate the Hawai'i State Constitution into the Hawaiian language and appropriates funds to the Judiciary for Hawaiian language interpreters.
- SB 2688** Prohibits the planting of a genetically engineered seed or plant part in an open field.
- SB 2689** Requires a biotechnology company that sells a genetically modified animal, plant, or seed to provide written disclosure of possible risks from the use of such an organism.
- SB 2690** Mandates the Department of Agriculture to take precautionary measures to anticipate, prevent, or minimize the adverse effects of biotechnology and genetic engineering.

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- SB 2691** Allows boards to file a copy of the notice of public meetings with the office of the lieutenant governor or appropriate county clerk's office via electronic mail.
- SB 2692** Exempts members of a county council from the limitation on the number of members that may attend an informational meeting or presentation on matters relating to official board business.
- SB 2693** Makes an appropriation to the temporary commission on the thirteenth festival of pacific arts to plan for the historic event occurring in Honolulu from June 11 to June 27, 2020.
- SB 2694** Requires any metropolitan planning organization serving a metropolitan planning area within the jurisdiction of a county to include on its policy board one member of the senate and one member of the house of representatives.
- SB 2695** Establishes the high-growth grant program and special fund to provide grants to qualified businesses. Makes an appropriation.
- SB 2885** Clarifies the intent of the small business regulatory review board's power when reviewing state and county administrative rules that affect small businesses.
- SB 2886** Amends descriptions of capital improvement projects related to East Maui Water Systems in the General Appropriations Act of 2015.
- SB 2887** Appropriates moneys for events recognizing the twenty-fifth anniversary of the sister state relationship between Hawai'i and Taiwan.
- SB 2888** Authorizes the issuance of general obligation bonds for appropriation funds to the department of transportation to plan, design, and construct the Pa'ia bypass.
- SB 2889** Authorizes the issuance of general obligation bonds to fund the planning, design, and construction of six classrooms at Pa'ia elementary school on Maui.
- SB 2984** Excludes from any waiting list maintained by the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands any lessee or successor who sells or transfers their lease on a tract of Hawaiian home lands.
- SB 2985** Prohibits the sale of sunscreen or personal care products that contain oxybenzone or octinoxate in Hawai'i, beginning 1/1/2023.
- SB 2986** Requires two hours of annual in-service training in suicide prevention for all teachers, principals, and school counselors.

- SB 2987** Replaces criminal penalties for airport offenses addressed in the laws relating to aeronautics or in certain administrative rules or orders issued pursuant thereto, with a civil penalty.
- SB 3067** Establishes requirements and procedures for a real estate investment trust to file tax returns and payments. Applies to taxable years beginning after 12/31/2018.
- SB 3068** Implements the recommendations of the **Hawai'i Sea Level Rise Vulnerability and Adaptation Report** issued by the Hawai'i Climate Change Mitigation and Adaptation Commission.



We, the Hawai'i State Senate are dedicated to the protection and sustainability of our people, communities, natural resources, and economic prosperity. By enacting the **17 United Nations Sustainable Development Goals** into state law, we can achieve this. Implementation of these goals at the state level through the **Aloha+ Challenge**, a local sustainability framework, will significantly improve the quality of life for future generations. Please read the **2018 SENATE LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM** here: <https://adobe.ly/2nmTzcy>

FUNDS RELEASED FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

\$1,000,000 in funds were released by the Governor for engineering design of approximately 76 residential lots in the Hawaiian Home Lands Lot Development in the Keokea-Waiohuli Development Phase 2 subdivision in Kula, Maui. \$1,200,000 was also released for the design and construction for improvements to mitigate roadway safety and drainage in various locations in the Dept. of Hawaiian Home Lands holdings in Kula, Maui.

\$2,120,282 was awarded to MEI Corporation for repair and maintenance work at Hāna High and Elementary School. The work includes replacing exit signs, exhaust fans, gutters with screens, lockers; relocate waterline near existing Theater Arts Building; renovate building interior; replace steps, ramp and railing in Portables P3 and P5; reroof building K and other related work.

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**2018 LEGISLATIVE SESSION
 HIGHLIGHTS**



Clockwise from top: Senate Leadership with Gyeonggido Assembly Delegation from the Republic of Korea. Jan. 16, 2018.



Maui AARP Volunteers (From L to R) Lloyd So, Sen. English, Mary Lee Bilyou, Lena Staton and Linda Dolset. Jan. 16, 2018.



Sen. English with members of the Hawai'i Cattlemen's Council at the annual Cattlemen's luncheon. Jan. 16, 2018.



Filming of "Live At The Legislature" with Jill Kuramoto, Sen. English and Senate President Ronald D. Kouchi. Jan. 16, 2018.

Sen. English with members of Hawai'i Farmers Union United. (from L to R) David Case, Sen. English, Vincent Mina and Melissa Jenks. Jan. 24, 2018.



Airport Concessionaire's: Jim Stone, Roberta Fithian, Chris Wong, Peter Fithian, Sen. English, Ron Tang and Alan Yamamoto. Jan. 23, 2018.

Hawai'i Chamber of Commerce Legislative Meet and Greet: Sen. Taniguchi, Sen. English, Sherry Menor-McNamara and Sen. Kidani. Jan. 18, 2018.

