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SENATOR GLENN WAKAI

KALIHI, MAPUNAPUNA, AIRPORT, SALT LAKE, ALIAMANU, FOSTER VILLAGE, HICKAM, PEARL HARBOR, AND PORTIONS OF AIEA AND PEARL CITY

SPARKLING BASEBALL DIAMOND AT MOANALUA HIGH



Improvements in the Moanalua High School baseball and softball fields are entering its second "inning." The State just released \$500,000 for the design of new dugouts, new softball bullpen, handicap access improvements. Construction is scheduled to begin later this year at a total cost of \$2.7 million. The "first inning" of the project included the installation of field turf. That was completed in December 2023 at a cost of \$2.2 million.



RADFORD HS STUDENTS VISIT THE STATE CAPITOL



Radford High School students participated in the Secondary School Legislative Conference on February 2. They spent the day at the Capitol with Senator Wakai who discussed pending bills and issues at Radford.

ENLIVENING THE STADIUM

In an effort to get a larger stadium with more amenities, Senator Wakai introduced <u>SB3197</u>, which would allow signage within the Stadium Development District. The \$350 million set aside will likely buy a 25,000 seat stadium with bench seating and no roof. The State needs a private developer to put in their money to create a stadium with wonderful fan experiences.

"Almost every large stadium in America has a corporate sponsor. Naming rights for the stadium in Hālawa could bring in \$1.25 million for 30 years," says Wakai. "Who is going to pay that kind of money for a yard sign? This is a necessary tool to activate the area."

SIGN OF SUPPORT



Area elementary schools, including Salt Lake Elementary, got banners for their music programs. Representative Ichiyama and Senator Wakai funded the schools' sign.