

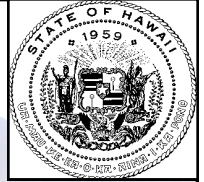


Community Update

Representative Jo Jordan

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Room 324 - Phone # 586-8460



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Aloha,

The end of the 2011 Legislative Session is rapidly approaching and over 350 bills remain undecided. The House and Senate will conference on these bills and discuss the amendments proposed by each side to see if an agreement can be reached before the legislature adjourns on May 5. I have been assigned as a conference co-chair or member on 20 House Bills and expect to be assigned to an equal number of Senate Bills. The House is planning to agree to the amendments made by the Senate on a dozen House Bills, including a bill I co-introduced, HB 1640, HD 2, SD 1. The purpose of this bill is to mandate the Department of the Attorney General to work with the counties to allow county employees to issue certificates of identification at the same locations where driver's licenses are issued in order to significantly improve access to certificates of identification for Hawaii's residents.

In addition, three of my resolutions passed the House and have crossed over to the Senate. House Concurrent Resolution 166 request the auditor to conduct a study of non-general funds, HCR 167 requests the Department of Agriculture to study the 2008 Federal Farm Bill which amended school lunch procurement practices, and HCR 264/HR226 requests the Department of Land and Natural Resources to study private boating facilities to explore potential commercial boating revenues.

As always I welcome your questions and concerns, so please feel free to contact me either by phone at 586-8460, email at repjordan@capitol.hawaii.gov, or in person at room 324 at the State Capitol.

Mahalo,

Representative Jo Jordan

A Great Public Servant of the Waianae Coast Retires

Since September 2006, Major Michael K. S. Moses, Sr. served as the Honolulu Police Department Commander of District 8, which encompasses Ewa, Kapolei, Nanakuli, and Waianae. He was responsible in overseeing all programs and strategies relating to patrol, community policing and investigative activities in all three sectors of his district. Under his guidance, District 8 has developed strong working relationships with the Department of Parks and Recreation, Department of Community Services, and other social service providers, to address homelessness and other public safety issues along the leeward coast. He retires with an admirable 30 years of service with the Honolulu Police Department. While we wish him the best in his retirement, his presence in our community will certainly be missed.



Major Moses is presented with a certificate of recognition from the House of Representatives at an HPD ceremony.

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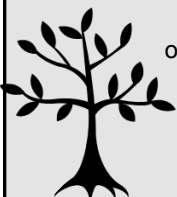
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**Waianae High School
AKAMAI Finance Academy**

I had the privilege of meeting the Waianae High School AKAMAI Finance Academy (AFA) Prep students at a ribbon cutting ceremony and informational briefing last week. Waianae High School is one of 31 high schools statewide to participate in the AFA Prep Program, which trains high school students to use the Bloomberg Professional financial system to learn about the finance industry. In their weekly meetings, students develop portfolios of US listed stocks. They learn to research and value stocks, monitor their "purchases," and produce analysis reports. With these skills, students have an edge in working in the finance world. The Prep program can be continued in the AFA college program, which provides further finance training and internship opportunities in the local industry.



Representative Jordan and some of the AFA students

AFA is sponsored by the AKAMAI Foundation, a non-profit program which brings together Hawaii asset managers, academia, and the public sector. Their goal is to cultivate the finance industry in Hawaii by providing training on investment banking, private equity and asset management. The AKAMAI Foundation sees Hawaii as a key location to develop an Asia-focused asset management industry. This industry will bring high paying jobs to our local economy and will help us retain skilled, young workers.

Waianae Robotics Team Qualifies for the International Championship

I'm proud to announce to you that Waianae High School's Robotics team won the Rookie All-Star Award and Highest Rookie Seed Awards in the "FIRST in Hawaii" Regional Robotics Competition on Saturday, March 26, 2011. This was the first year that Waianae High School had a robotics team. Their success as a rookie team has qualified them to advance to the international championship in St. Louis, Missouri from April 27-30. They will join five other Hawaii teams who have already secured their spots in what has been called the "Super Bowl of Smarts." The Waianae team is mentored by math teacher and robotics coach, Weyland Bailey. He praised his students for their problem-solving, troubleshooting, and teamwork in Saturday's competition, noting that his students made history as the first robotics team at Waianae.

US Army Completes EA for Munitions Removal at Ordnance Reef

The US Army Corps of Engineers has completed the Environmental Assessment (EA) for their project to demonstrate their Remotely Operated Underwater Munitions Recovery System at Ordnance Reef. The area off Waianae Coast has long been of public concern because of the many military munitions that were discarded there through the 1970s. The Army has applied for a permit to test their non-human diver recovery operations, in order to establish a safe means to remove and destroy the munitions. The completion of an EA, to assess the potential environmental and socioeconomic impact of the project, is the first step in obtaining their permit. The EA findings showed no significant impacts on the man-made or natural environment. These findings including additional information about the project can be found at <http://ordnancereefhawaii.org>. Copies can also be found at the Waianae and Kapolei Public Libraries. If you wish to pose comments to the US Army Corps of Engineers regarding the EA findings, you have until May 7, 2011 to do so. Comments will be considered, addressed, and incorporated into the findings.

Waianae Police Station Permit Hearing

The Waianae Police Station has applied for a permit to replace the current substation with a new two-story substation, fuel dispensing station, above- and under-ground fuel storage tanks, parking lot, and landscaping. The public hearing for the Special Management Area Use Permit will be held on May 10, 2011, at 10:30 a.m. at the Waianae Public Library, Meeting Room (85-625 Farrington Highway, Waianae, HI 96792). The public may review the applications at the City and County of Honolulu's Department of Planning and Permitting, at 650 South King Street, 7th Floor, Honolulu, HI 96813, Monday through Friday between 7:45 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- **Waianae Coast Neighborhood Board Meeting**—
Tuesday, May 3 at 7 PM at the Waianae Neighborhood Community Center. Call the Neighborhood Board Commission office at 768-3710.
- **2011 Legislative Session Ends**—**Thursday, May 5.**
- **Free Legal Clinics**—**Saturday, May 7 from 10 AM 2 PM.** Volunteer lawyers will be at Waianae Coast Comprehensive Health Center & Nanakuli Sack N Save to answer your legal questions free of charge.