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## 2013 Legislative End of Session Report

#### Aloha,

The 2013 Legislative session started under a new leadership team. Speaker Joe Souki was elected to guide us in a new direction of more open government and movement of good policy that will benefit the whole State of Hawai'i.

We were able to pass many bold and long overdue measures. We listened to the resounding voice of the people and repealed the Public Land and Development Corporation (PLDC), which exempted development of land from County zoning and environmental regulation. We passed good community oriented legislation dealing with early education, sustainability, improving state finances and good government.

This past legislative process was much

increasing number of visitors to Hawai'i, we were able to pull out of budget deficits and fund some very important projects. Many crucial positions were funded to handle invasive species, watershed management, vector control, juvenile support programs, worker's compensation claims and airport maintenance improvements. We were able to replenish the Hurricane Relief Fund and the Emergency and Budget Reserve Fund (Rainy Day Fund), as well as take significant steps towards reducing our unfunded liabilities.

Here in District 16, I continue to find ways to assure that we can be safe, healthy and secure. The threat of severe beach erosion made us all aware of the constantly changing environment and we need to better how

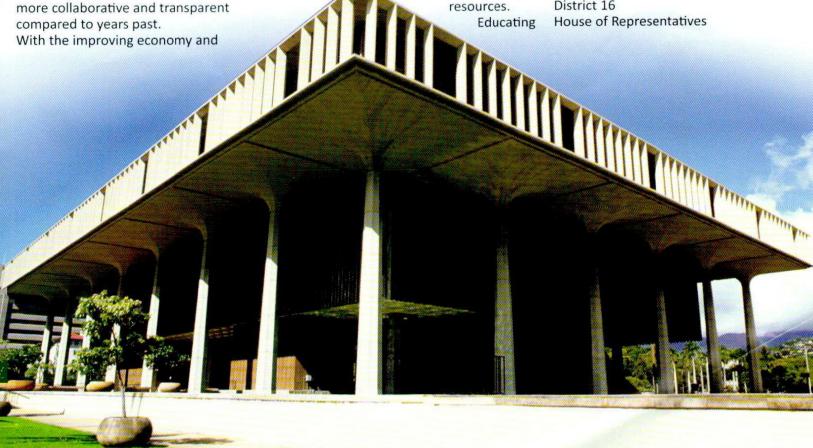
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our children is another concern and how to address Waimea High School's decreasing enrollment which affects our sports, culture, arts and agriculture curriculum, is a venture that all communities must come together on.

Thank you for giving me another opportunity to work for you, because with every session, I gain a wealth of valuable experience and knowledge. Your communication with me on various issues and problems is vital to maintaining our quality of life. Working together we can make a difference and good things will happen.

Mahalo.

Rep. Dee Morikawa District 16



# District 16 Capital Improvement Projects and Grants in Aid (GIA) approved by the 2013 Legislature

HB 1263, HD2, SD2, CD1:: Appropriates funds to finance improvements to various irrigation systems, including the Pe'ekaua'i Ditch System (Menehune Ditch)	FY14	\$45,000
Kekaha Shaft, New Connection: Design and construction of a new water source and connection pipeline for the Kekaha water system	FY14	\$200,000
Kikiaola Small Boat Harbor Federal Project:: Construction to provide state matching funds for the Federal Navigational Improvements project at Kikiaola Small Boat Harbor	FY14	\$2,450,000
Camp 10 Access Road Bridge:: Plans, design and construction for improvements to Camp 10 Access Bridges that connect Koke'e state park to the Na Pali Kona Forest Reserve, Alakai Swamp, and the Alakai Wilderness Reserve.	FY14 FY15	\$500,000 \$2,300,000
Mana Drag Strip :: Plans, design and construction to upgrade and resurface Mana Drag Strip.  Ground and site improvements; equipment and appurtenances	FY14 FY15	\$500,000 \$500,000
Hanapepe River Bridge, Kaumuali'i Highway (N Funding):: Land acquisition, design and construction for rehabilitation and/or replacement of Hanapepe River Bridge along Kaumuali'i Hwy. This project is deemed necessary to qualify for federal aid financing and/or reimbursement.	FY14 FY15	\$2,080,000 \$20,000,000
Hanapepe River Bridge, Kaumuali'i Highway (E Funding):: Land acquisition, design and construction for rehabilitation and/or replacement of Hanapepe River Bridge along Kaumuali'i Hwy. This project is deemed necessary to qualify for federal aid financing and/or reimbursement.	FY14 FY15	\$520,000 \$5,000,000
Bridge No. 7E, Kaumauli'i Highway (N Funding):: Design and land acquisition for rehabilitation and/or replacement of Bridge No. 7E along Kaumuali'i Highway (Route 50).	FY14 FY15	\$580,000 \$52,000
Bridge No. 7E, Kaumauli'i Highway (E Funding):: Design and land acquisition for rehabilitation and/or replacement of Bridge No. 7E along Kaumuali'i Highway (Route 50).	FY14 FY15	\$145,000 \$13,000
Hui O'Laka (GIA) :: Construction for renovations to Civilian Conservation Corps Camp and Koke'e State Park	FY14	\$50,000
West Kaua'i Business & Professional Association (GIA):: Equipment purchase acquisition, to facilitate the ability of volunteers to maintain the Waimea Fort Elisabeth State Park, Kaua'i.	FY14	\$10,000

# Resolutions Introduced by Rep. Dee Morikawa that were adopted by the House

HR 98 — Waimea Sports Complex — Urging the Mayor of the County of Kaua'i, the Kaua'i County Council, Kaua'i Planning and Action Alliance, West Side Kaua'i communities, and the Waimea Sports Complex Steering Committee to collaborate to expedite the construction of the Waimea Sports Complex.

HR 100, HD2 — Atrazine Task Force — Requesting the Director of Health to develop partnerships to address the data gap on air, surface water, and near shore effects of Atrazine.



## Grants in Aid approved by the 2013 Legislature benefitting all communities on Kaua'i

Hale 'Opio, Inc. (GIA) :: Construction for renovations, upgrades and energy improvements, to include photovoltaic systems.	FY14	\$435,000
Young Women's Christian Association (GIA) :: Plans, land acquisition, design and construction for expansion and renovation of a new women's center	FY14	\$400,000

### Bills Introduced by Representative Dee Morikawa as "First Primary Introducer" that passed the Legislature

HB 120, HD2, SD2, CD1 — Care Facility Inspections; Website Information. Requires the Department of Health to post on its website reports of all inspections at state-licensed care facilities occurring on or after January 1, 2015. Establishes a Working Group

on Licensed Care Facilities. Appropriates funds. Effective July 1, 2013.

#### HB 672, HD2, SD2, CD1 -

Tobacco; Electronic Smoking Device; Minors; Sale or Purchase Prohibited; Tobacco Sales. Prohibits the sale and purchase of electronic smoking devices to minors under eighteen years of age. Requires retailers to sell tobacco only in a direct face-to-face exchange between the retailer and consumer, except for in-bond concessions (duty-free retail), retail tobacco stores, bars, or establishments where the minimum age for admission is

Rep. Morikawa hosts young advocates from Tobacco Free Kaua'i.

eighteen.

HB 673, HD2, SD2, CD1 — Restricted Use Pesticide Reporting.

Requires the DOA to post certain information regarding restricted use pesticides on its website. Requires LRB study on other states' reporting requirements for non-restricted use pesticides. Effective July 1, 2013.

#### HB 1388, HD1, SD1 —

Special Purpose Revenue Bonds; Processing Enterprises; Shrimp Hatchery Facility. Authorizes the issuance of special purpose revenue bonds to assist Sunrise Capital, Inc. in protecting its shrimp hatchery facility and its salt water well and relocating them further inland to avoid shoreline erosion. Effective 7/1/13.

## Bills Introduced by Representative Dee Morikawa as "Primary Introducer" that passed the Legislature

(Several bills have already been signed into law by the Governor)

HB 62, HD2, SD2, CD1 - Pharmacy Benefits Managers; Health Information; Right to Privacy: Prohibited Practices. Prohibits pharmacy benefits managers, or their partially or wholly owned subsidiaries, from using a patient's medical health information to market or advertise to that patient the services of a preferred pharmacy network that is owned by the pharmacy benefits manager, without the express consent of the patient. Permits specific exceptions.

#### HB 65, HD2, SD2, CD1 -

Prescription Drugs; Prescription Drug Benefits; Retail Community Pharmacy; Retail Pharmacy Network; Mail Order Pharmacy; Opt Out. Specifies that an otherwise qualified retail community pharmacy that requests to enter into a contractual retail pharmacy network agreement shall be considered part of a pharmacy benefit manager's retail pharmacy network for purposes of a beneficiary's right to choose where to purchase covered prescription drugs. Requires specified entities to permit beneficiaries to fill any covered prescription that may be

obtained by mail order at any pharmacy of the beneficiary's choice within the pharmacy benefit manager's retail pharmacy network. Requires specified entities to file an annual report with the insurance commissioner disclosing certain amounts, terms, and conditions associated with a prescription drug benefit plan. Requires affected entities to report to the legislature prior to the regular sessions of 2014 and 2015. Prohibits application to community retail pharmacies with a rural pharmacy designation.



It's always an honor to have the Department of Health's Kaua'i Developmental Disabilities Office come by for their annual visit to the Capitol.

HB 79, HD1 (Signed by the Governor as Act 19, 04/18/2013) - Advanced Practice Registered Nurse; Education Requirements. Changes the degree requirement for advanced practice registered nurse recognition from a master's degree in nursing to a graduate degree in nursing.

HB 120, HD2, SD2, CD1 — Department of Health: Care Facility Inspections; Web site Information; Working Group; Appropriation (\$). Requires the Department of Health to

post on its Web site reports of all inspections at state-licensed care facilities occurring on or after January 1, 2015. Establishes a Working Group on Licensed Care Facilities. Appropriates funds. Effective July 1, 2013.

HB 411, HD2 (Signed by the Governor as Act 27, 04/22/2013) — Hospital Emergency Compassionate Care; Emergency Contraception. Establishes a new part

in chapter 321, Hawaii Revised Statutes, to ensure that female sexual assault victims are provided with medically and factually accurate and unbiased information about and access to emergency contraception when receiving emergency medical care at Hawaii's hospitals.

**HB 653, SD1, CD1** — Special Purpose Revenue Bonds; Hawai'i Pacific Health. Authorizes the issuance of special purpose revenue bonds for Hawai'i Pacific Health. Effective July 1, 2013. Financing, refinancing, or reimbursing costs related to the construction or renovation of health care facilities of Hawai'i Pacific Health, its obligated group and Hawai'i Pacific Health's affiliates, constitute a project as defined in part II, chapter 39A, Hawaii Revised Statutes, and the financing thereof constitutes assistance to a not-for-profit corporation that provides health care facilities to the general public.

**HB 654, HD2, SD1** — Nursing-Related Data; Nursing; Licensing. Amends the membership of the center of nursing advisory board to include three members that are representatives of professional organization relating to health rather than from the Hawaii Nurses' Association. Requires the department of commerce and consumer affairs professional and vocational licensing division to collaborate with the center for nursing to enable the center to obtain nursing-related data. Provides that the workforce data may be obtained through online survey or other means.

**HB 656, HD2, SD2, CD1** — Health Care; Health Care Transformation Program. Establishes the health care transformation program within the Office of the Governor. Requires a progress and final report to the legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular Sessions of 2014 and 2015, respectively. Effective July 1, 2013.

HB 1133, SD2 (Signed by the Governor as Act 38, 04/22/2013) — Public Land Development Corporation; Repeal. Repeals chapter 171C, HRS, relating to the PLDC. Transfers PLDC assets to the DLNR. Deposits funds appropriated to the DLNR pursuant to Act 55, SLH 2011, into the land conservation fund. Deposits proceeds in the stadium facilities special fund and the school facilities special fund into the general fund.

**HB 1149, HD3, SD2, CD1** — Wind Energy Facilities; Decommissioning. Requires a wind energy facility owner to be responsible for facility decommissioning and to provide evidence of financial security unless the owner has an existing lease or other agreement that provides for decommissioning. Effective upon approval.

**HB 1207, HD1, SD1, CD1** — Department of Human Services Compliance; Affordable Care Act. Requires Department of Human Services to submit to Legislature interim reports on program integrity prior to 2015 and 2016 Regular Sessions and a final report prior to 2017 Regular Session on its compliance with the federal Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act of 2010 as it relates to Medicaid. Effective July 1, 2014.

**HB 1374, HD1, SD1, CD1** — Procurement; Competitive Sealed Bidding; Past Performance. Allows procurement officials to choose the appropriate source selection method to meet the circumstances of each procurement. Effective July 1, 2013.

**HB 1412, SD2** — Small Boat Harbors; Native Hawaiian Canoes. Requires DLNR to accommodate mooring of native Hawaiian canoes owned or leased by nonprofit entities and used for educational purposes in small boat harbors.

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### LEGISLATIVE SNAPSHOTS



Above: Kaua'i legislators take a photo with retired U.S. Senator Daniel K. Akaka, with his wife Millie and also Speaker Emeritus Calvin Say.



Left: Rep. Morikawa along with her 'ohana – sons K], Kollin, Kelsie and husband Ken.

Below: Rep.
Morikawa and
Rep. Kawakami
address a group
of AVID students
from Kapa'a
Middle School
during their
excursion to the
Capitol.

