



Community Update

State Representative Linda Ichiyama • Spring 2016



Aloha Neighbor,

Thank you very much for the honor of serving you in the State House of Representatives.

As the Legislature reaches the midpoint of the 2016 Session, please find enclosed a guide to the key bills passed by the House of Representatives and now being considered by the Senate.

We continue to discuss ways to improve these measures and fully address the diverse issues that are important to our community. I encourage you to share your thoughts with me about proposed legislation and any other issues that are of concern to you. Please feel free to send me an e-mail at repichiyama@capitol.hawaii.gov or call my office at 586-6220.

I hope these legislative highlights are informative and useful. I look forward to hearing from you as we continue our work this session.

Mahalo nui loa,

Linda Ichiyama

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32nd District
Moanalua, Salt Lake,
& Aliamanu

Key Legislation Introduced by Rep. Ichiyama

HB 2165, HD2

In September 2015, the Navy, EPA and the State Department of Health (DOH) signed a binding agreement to address the Red Hill Fuel Tanks and the consequences of the leakage of 27,000 gallons of fuel in January 2014. Under the agreement, the Navy must upgrade all its tanks, install better leak detection systems and mitigate the fuel spill. **HB 2165, HD2** appropriates funds to DOH to hire additional staff to monitor the Navy's compliance with the agreement and to hire experts on underground storage tanks, hydrology and geology. This measure also requires DOH to seek reimbursement for these additional costs from the Navy.

HB 2461

Our students deserve the best resources and facilities to help them learn and thrive. Each year, Rep. Ichiyama works with area principals and staff to determine each school's priorities for repairs and maintenance as well as new construction. **HB 2461** requests an appropriation of **\$32,605,000** in total for our local schools. Please see page 4 for a breakdown of the total request for each school.

HB 2171, HD1

As our population grows and ages, the need for emergency services increases. Our community is served by ambulances stationed at Pali Momi and Kuakini hospitals. If an ambulance is on call or unavailable, then response times can be significantly delayed. **HB 2171, HD1** would expand emergency medical and ambulance services in the Moanalua, Aliamanu, Red Hill, Salt Lake and Foster Village areas.

Salt Lake Elementary School Fun Fair

Food, Rides, Games, Entertainment, and more!

Saturday, April 16, 2016
Salt Lake Elementary School
9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Contact
SLEFunfair@gmail.com



ALOHA 'ĀINA RECYCLING DRIVE

Saturday, April 23, 2016
9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Moanalua Elementary and Middle School

Turn trash into Cash for our Students!

For more information, please email: alohaaina@moanaluaopto.org

2016 Mid Session Highlights

Combating Invasive Species (HB2424, HD1)

Controls and prevents invasive species threats to the State by allowing the Department of Agriculture to establish private-public partnerships to enhance the Biosecurity Program and quarantine inspection process. Appropriates funds for the Biosecurity Program.

Electronic Proof of Insurance (HB1705)

Co-Introduced By Rep. Ichiyama

Allows a person to carry and display proof of motor vehicle insurance in electronic format on a mobile electronic device for purposes of verifying insurance for vehicle inspection, driver's license examination, and enforcement of traffic laws.

Workforce Development Internship Grants (HB2264, HD1)

Continues to develop and support the technology industry in Hawaii by appropriating funds to the High Technology Development Corporation for technology internship grants and programs to further the pipeline of talent in technology fields.

Digital Learning in Schools (HB2267, HD1)

Supports digital learning and the use of technology in public schools by authorizing schools to purchase digital formats of curricular materials and appropriating funds for digital devices for teachers and students to use in public school classrooms.

Helping Homeless Youth (HB1774, HD1)

Appropriates funds to the Department of Human Services for outreach to homeless individuals and families with children and to the Office of Youth Services for outreach to homeless youth.



Rep. Ichiyama at a Central District Honor Orchestra performance with (from left to right) Rep. Johanson, Ms. Lisa Nagamine, Principal at Moanalua Middle School, Ms. Flora Nash, Vice Principal at Moanalua High School, Ms. Lynda Galera, Principal at Moanalua Elementary School and Mr. Darrel Galera, former Principal at Moanalua High School.



Rep. Ichiyama at Moanalua Middle School's "A Night of Notes" with Ms. Lee Ann LaFortune, Parent & Community Networking Coordinator, Ms. Michelle Toyama, Vice Principal, Mr. Tony Silva, event emcee, Mr. Ryan Howe, Band Director, and Ms. Lisa Nagamine, Principal.

Addressing Chronic Homelessness (HB1773, HD1)

Appropriates funds to the Department of Human Services for the Shallow Rent Subsidy Program to assist homeless working individuals and families to find permanent housing. Appropriates funds to the Department to continue the administration of Housing First programs for chronically homeless individuals.

Safety Inspections for Mopeds (HB1753, HD3)

Increases public safety on Hawaii's highways and roadways by requiring moped number plates and specifying penalties for fraudulent use of moped number plates, prohibiting the use on public roadways of a moped that is not in good working order, authorizing police officers to enforce safety inspection requirements for mopeds, and requiring the annual registration of mopeds.



Rep. Ichiyama pictured with Mr. Claude Onizuka, Ellison Onizuka's brother, at the 30th anniversary of the Challenger tragedy.



Rep. Ichiyama at a Moanalua Lions Club vision screening event at Moanalua Elementary School with Ms. Patti Ogawa, Rep. Johanson, Mr. Steven Onoue, and Ms. Lynda Galera, Principal at Moanalua Elementary School.

100% Clean Energy by 2045 (HB2085, HD2)

Updates goals and targets in the Hawaii Clean Energy Initiative Program and State Planning Act to reduce and ultimately eliminate Hawaii's dependence on fossil fuels for electricity generation and ground transportation by 2045.

Cooling our Classrooms (HB2569 HD2)

Co-Introduced By Rep. Ichiyama

Accelerates the goals of the Department of Education to cool Hawaii's schools, reduce energy costs, meet Hawaii's clean energy goals, and provide all students with better classrooms in which to learn. Requires the Department to establish a goal of becoming net-zero with respect to energy use by January 1, 2035.

Access to Higher Education (HB1613, HD1)

Makes higher education more accessible to greater numbers of students in Hawaii by granting tuition waivers to students at the community colleges who are less than 26 years old and meet certain criteria, including graduation from a Hawaii high school. Initiates the tuition-waiver program as a pilot program on Kauai.

Tax Credit for Battery Backup (HB212, HD2)

Establishes a nonrefundable income tax credit for taxpayers who purchase and install battery backup systems for photovoltaic systems.

Evaluating Tax Credits and Exemptions (HB1527, HD1)

Requires the Department of Taxation to evaluate various tax credits and exemptions beginning at the start of Fiscal Year 2018-2019 and every five years thereafter for the purpose of making recommendations



Representatives Ichiyama and Johanson speaking to Moanalua Middle School students at the State Capitol.

to the Legislature as to whether each credit should be continued, modified, or repealed.

Red Hill Advisory Committee (HB2646, HD2)

Creates a permanent fuel tank advisory committee to study, monitor, and address fuel tank leak issues.

Animal Desertion (HB2245, HD1)

Co-Introduced By Rep. Ichiyama

Establishes the penalties for animal desertion as a petty misdemeanor and a fine of \$1,000, but if the animal suffers death or injury, the penalty shall be a misdemeanor and a fine of \$2,000.

Sports and Entertainment Authority (HB1847, HD2)

Establishes the Sports and Entertainment Authority to coordinate and develop entertainment and sports industry in the State, including oversight of Aloha Stadium and attracting local, national, and international events, as well as developing state-of-the-art facilities for the benefit of professional, amateur, and youth athletes.



Rep. Ichiyama at the Hawaii Women's Legislative Caucus Breakfast, with Senators Jill Tokuda and Rosalyn Baker.



Rep. Ichiyama and U.S. Representative Mark Takai with Windward Community College students at the Elect Her workshop.



Rep. Ichiyama at Kauai Community College with Ms. Helen Cox, Chancellor of Kauai Community College, Mr. Mike Unebasami, Associate Vice President for Administrative Affairs, and Rep. Isaac Choy.



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DISTRICT 32 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT REQUESTS

The following projects were requested for the fiscal year 2017 budget.

SALT LAKE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Interior renovation of classroom E0; construction of interior walls in building E to form four individual classrooms; central air conditioning.

Total Project Cost: \$2,100,000

Construct a student restroom facility at portable 6; project to include one toilet and one sink.

Total Project Cost: \$1,000,000

MOANALUA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Design and construction for a restroom facility in the school library.

Total Project Cost: \$350,000

ALIAMANU ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Design and construction for campus wide heat abatement; ground and site improvements; equipment and appurtenances.

Total Project Cost: \$5,450,000

Design, construction, and equipment for the expansion of the administration building; ground and site improvements; and equipment and appurtenances.

Total Project Cost: \$3,500,000

Design, construction, and equipment for the expansion of the library building; ground and site improvements; and equipment and appurtenances.

Total Project Cost: \$5,000,000

MOANALUA MIDDLE SCHOOL

Expand and add STEM classrooms to the career technical education building, building F, in order to allow students to design, create, and test twenty-first century inventions.

Total Project Cost: \$5,200,000

MOANALUA HIGH SCHOOL

Construction for Performing Arts Center Phase II.

Total Project Cost: \$10,000,000