



Representative Bertrand Kobayashi Community Update

DIAMOND HEAD, KAHALA,
KAIMUKI, KAPAHULU

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GOVERNOR DAVID IGE ANNOUNCES NEW MEMBERS OF HIS CABINET

Governor David Ige have announced the following new members of his cabinet:

Mike McCartney – Chief of Staff – McCartney is the former President and Chief Executive Officer of the Hawaii Tourism Authority.

Laurel A. Johnston – Deputy Chief of Staff – Johnston is the former director of the University of Hawai‘i System Budget Office.

Wesley Machida - Director of Finance - Machida currently leads the state's \$14 billion Employees' Retirement System.

Douglas Murdock – Comptroller and Head of the Department of Accounting and General Services—Murdock is currently the vice president for administrative and fiscal affairs at the Hawaii Tourism Authority.

James Nishimoto – Director of the Department of Human Resources Development—Nishimoto has served for more than three decades at the University of Hawaii and in state government.

Rachel Wong – Director of Department of Human Services—She was most recently vice president and chief operating officer of the Healthcare Association of Hawaii.

Maria Zielinski – Director of Department of Taxation—Zielinski previously served as deputy controller for Hawaii and as the chief financial officer for the massive California School Employees Association.

Luis Salaveria - Director of the Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism—Salaveria has a mix of public and private sector experience.

Ford Fuchigami – Director of the Department of Transportation—Fuchigami previously served as interim director of DOT and then was appointed in October by Honolulu Mayor Kirk Caldwell to lead the city's Department of Enterprises Services.

Virginia Pressler—Director of the Department of Health—Dr. Pressler is currently the executive vice president and chief strategic officer at Hawaii Pacific Health.

The following directors and deputies have agreed to continue serving as heads and deputy directors of their respective departments as holdovers:

Ken Kakesako, deputy to the chairperson of the Board of Agriculture

Darrell T. Young, deputy to the chairman, Hawaiian Homes Commission

Kealii Lopez, director, Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs

Jo Ann Uchida Takeuchi, deputy director, Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs

Jesse Souki, first deputy to the chairperson, Board of Land and Natural Resources

Maj. Gen. Darryll Wong, adjutant general and director of civil defense, Department of Defense

Brig. Gen. Joe Kim, deputy adjutant general

Gary Gill, deputy director, Environmental Health Administration, Department of Health (DOH)

Dr. David Sakamoto, deputy director, Health Resources Administration, DOH

Lynn Fallin, deputy director, Behavioral Health Administration, DOH

Ted Sakai, director, Department of Public Safety

Dwight Takamine, director, Department of Labor and Industrial Relations

HOUSE SPEAKER JOE SOUKI ANNOUNCES 2015 LEADERSHIP TEAM AND COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

Speaker Joseph M. Souki announced the appointments of the House of Representatives Majority leadership lineup for the 28th Legislature which convenes on January 21, 2015.

Members of the House Leadership are as follows:

Speaker of the House	Joseph M. Souki
Speaker Emeritus	Calvin K.Y. Say
Vice Speaker	John M. Mizuno
Majority Leader	Scott K. Saiki
Majority Floor Leader	Cindy Evans
Majority Whip	Ken Ito
Asst. Majority Leader	Chris Lee
Asst. Majority Leader	Roy M. Takumi

2015 House Committee Chairpersons:

Agriculture (AGR)

Clift Tsuji, Chair

Economic Development & Business (EDB)

Derek S.K. Kawakami, Chair

Veterans, Military & International Affairs (VMI)

Romy M. Cachola, Chair

Tourism & Culture and the Arts (TCA)

Tom Brower, Chair

Labor & Public Employment (LAB)

Mark M. Nakashima, Chair

Public Safety (PBS)

Gregg Takayama, Chair

Transportation, (TRN)

Henry J.C. Aquino, Chair

Health (HLT)

Della Au Belatti, Chair

Housing (HSG)

Mark J. Hashem, Chair

Human Services (HUS)

Dee Morikawa, Chair

Energy & Environmental Protection (EEP)

Chris Lee, Chair

Ocean, Marine Resources & Hawaiian Affairs (OMH)

Kaniela Ing, Chair

Water & Land (WAL)

Ryan I. Yamane, Chair

Education (EDN)

Roy M. Takumi, Chair

Higher Education, (HED)

Isaac W. Choy, Chair

Finance (FIN)

Sylvia Luke, Chair

Legislative Management (LMG)

Scott Y. Nishimoto, Chair

Consumer Protection & Commerce (CPC)

Angus L.K. McKelvey, Chair

Judiciary (JUD)

Karl Rhoads, Chair

