



REPRESENTATIVE BERTRAND KOBAYASHI

DISTRICT 19 DIAMOND HEAD, KAHALA, KAPAHULU,
KAIMUKI

July 2013



Aloha Friends and Neighbors,

The 2013 Hawaii State Legislature passed 293 bills and 261 resolutions. The Governor has reviewed all the bills and he has transmitted 3 proclamations giving notice of his intent to return 3 bills with objections. The legislature had until July 9, 2013, to decide to act on any veto transmitted by the Governor. House Speaker Joe Souki and Senate President Donna Mercado Kim have announced that the Governor's intended vetoes do not rise to the level of an override by the Legislature in a Special Session. The Legislature intends to further review the Governor's rationale for vetoing the bills and will look into addressing his concerns in the coming session. During the interim, I will meet with state officials, business leaders, constituents, and many others to discuss ideas and prepare for the 2014 session.

While good work has been done, there is always more we can do to move Hawaii forward.

Please keep in touch with me about your concerns and thank you for the privilege of serving you in the House of Representatives.

Mahalo nui loa,

Representative Bert Kobayashi

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**Kapiolani Community College Students
Win First Place
in 2013
CanSat International Competition**



Congratulations to the Kapiolani Community College's CanSat team for taking home the top prize for designing, building and launching a space-related mission at the annual CanSat International Competition held on June 7-9, 2013 in Abilene, Texas. Known as team Mod 6, Kapiolani Community College students prepared for eight months for this competition in Texas, out-performing competition from top universities from across the country and Iran, Canada, and India.

Members of the 2013 CanSat team are Diamond Tachera, Kelsey Kawaguchi, Rae-zan Raposas, Joshua Tamayo, Logan Tamayo, McClyde Gaborno and Taylor Viti. The team's faculty mentor is Kapiolani Community College professor Herve Collin.



Representative Bertrand Kobayashi hosts Lawmakers Listen Community Meeting at Waialae Elementary Public Charter School

On June 5, 2013, Representative Bertrand Kobayashi hosted a Lawmakers Listen Community Meeting at the Waialae Elementary Public Charter School cafeteria. Attending the community meeting were House Speaker Joe Souki, Vice-Speaker John Mizuno, Majority Leader Scott Saiki, Majority Floor Leader Karen Awana, Finance Committee Chair Sylvia Luke, Finance Committee Vice-Chair Scott Nishimoto, and Health Committee Chair Della Au Belatti. The meeting provided residents an opportunity to engage with Representative Kobayashi and the leadership of the House of Representatives about issues impacting the community and the recently completed legislative session.

Lawmakers Listen meeting was well attended with over 75 people present. You can view the meeting hosted by Representative Kobayashi at the following link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fxAOIBhC9Bw>



Representatives Kobayashi and Luke with Waialae Charter School CEO Wendy Lagareta

Representative Kobayashi Explains State Budget Allocations to Constituents



Capital Improvement Project Funding that Supports House District 19

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Hawaii Film Studio \$3,460,000
Various Improvements



HEALTH

Leahi Hospital (Released 2013) \$20,000
Atherton Building second floor remodel
Leahi Hospital (Released 2013) \$149,500
Renovate various structures and buildings



EDUCATION

Kahala Elementary \$93,000
Reroof, Building C
Kaimuki Middle School \$375,000
Resurface Courts
Kaimuki Middle School \$80,000
Resurface Parking Lot
Waialae Elementary Public Charter School \$22,000
Replace Stage Curtain
Waialae Elementary Public Charter School \$100,000
Age appropriate play equipment, accessible route and resurfacing
Waikiki Elementary School \$87,000
Reroof, Building A
Waikiki Elementary School \$90,000
Reroof, Building C
Waikiki Elementary School \$40,000
Conversion/Refurbish Playground Equipment
Waikiki Elementary School (Released 2013) \$450,000
Design and construction for a dedicated student drop-off on the makai side of campus
Hawaii School for the Deaf and Blind \$80,000
Electrical Upgrade, Building B
Hawaii School for the Deaf and Blind \$209,000
Reroof, Building E
Liholiho Elementary School \$10,000
Relocate Kiln to Building G
Kapiolani Community College \$500,000
Phase II Renovation of the Kapiko Classrooms and Courtyard



TOTAL: \$5,765,500





Representative Kobayashi
Greeting Kupuna Care advocates
in the
Governor's Ceremonial Office

Gov. Abercrombie signed the following measures in separate bill signing ceremonies:

Kupuna Bills

Individuals 65 years or older account for 14.7 percent of Hawaii's population, which makes Hawaii the eighth in the nation in terms of the greatest percentage of older Americans. The following bills provide protections and resources needed for Hawaii's growing kupuna population.

- HB529 (Relating to Care Homes)
- HB120 (Relating to Health)
- SB106 (Relating to Aging)
- HB398 (Relating to Human Services)
- SB102 (Relating to the Elderly)

SB102 specifically requires that financial institutions report instances of suspected financial abuse of an elder directly to the appropriate county police department (via 911) and the state Department of Human Services via Adult Protective Services:

Oahu – 832-5115
Kauai – 241-3337
Maui – 243-5151
East Hawaii – 933-8820
West Hawaii – 327-6280

Representatives Jordan,
McKelvey, Kobayashi,
Belatti, and Cabanilla with
Governor
Neil Abercrombie

