



A New Legislative Year

Now that the legislative session is about to begin, we welcome you to our office at Room 305 at the State Capitol. Opening Session begins at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday January 21, 2015. An open house with light refreshments will be available from noon-2:00 p.m. on Wednesday January 21, 2015.

'A Puna Relief Package'

Our district, which is already economically challenged, suffered through two natural disasters: Iselle and the ongoing June 27 lava flow. I am working hard to address the many issues facing our community from insurance policy renewals and housing for displaced workers to equal access to basic necessities for those who live south of the potential lava flow. Thus, I have submitted a series of bills entitled "Puna Relief Package" that addresses these concerns but because they will be heard in different committees before the house gets to vote on them, I hope I can count on your support and possible testimony to make the rest of the state realize the problems we face.



E Komo Mai!

Some Bills I'll Introduce...

Policy Renewal- Require Insurance Companies to renew existing valid insurance areas and lift the moratorium by HIPA for any sale of those previously insured homes.

Moratorium- Require insurance companies to offer policies in lava zones 1 & 2, remove HPIA moratorium

County Fuel Tax- Permits Hawai'i County to expend it's share of fuel tax revenues for maintenance of private/subdivision roads

Harbor/Alternate 130- Require a feasibility study for the creation of a harbor and an alternate highway 130 route to relieve the traffic in our district.

County Relief: Remove the cap on the county's share of the hotel room tax to relieve county tax payers of the millions spent on emergency relief.

Asset protection: Prevent banks from getting assets beyond the house that they foreclosed on.

Housing: Fund repairs at Lanakila housing with priority on those displaced or on Puna wait list before moratorium.

Marijuana: Decrease Penalties on marijuana offenses to pre-Green Harvest/1998 levels.

Tracking Legislation

To follow along in the legislative process and track bills, please go to www.capitol.hawaii.gov.

You can search the bill status and find the current committee referral!

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