# Legislative Update

Hawai'i State House District 9 Kahului • Pu'unēnē • Portion of Wailuku



I am honored to have been able to assist with organizing Education Week at the Capitol once again to recognize and celebrate Hawai'i's exceptional staff and students. I am forever grateful for our honorees' hard work and for upholding the success and integrity of our local education system.

Left: Maverick Yasuda & Daniel Pruder, 2023 US Senate Youth Program Delegates; Chris Ho, 2023 Hawai'i' LifeSmarts Competition 1st Place Team Captain; and Keziah Ancheta, the youngest ever International President of Phi Theta Kappa.

**Top Right:** Cerina Livaudais, Charter School's 2023 Teacher of the Year; Deeann Takeno, Windward District's 2023 Teacher of the Year; and Annie Henbest, 2023 Complex Area Milken Teacher of Promise (left to right).





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Conference at the Hawai'i State Capitol as House and Senate legislators met to determine the finalized language of bills passing this session. All bills that have passed out of the legislature may be found at www.Capitol.Hawaii.Gov





# MEASURES TRANSMITTED TO GOVERNOR JOSH GREEN, M.D.

Please Note: The status of these measures will continue to evolve as the legislative process progresses. These bills, along with their updates and full language, may be found at www.capitol.hawaii.gov



#### **EDUCATION**

**SB941 SD2 HD1 CD1** Authorizes the School Facilities Authority to partner with public and private agencies to develop housing teachers, educators, and staff as well as develop classrooms. Appropriates funds for the construction of housing and classrooms.

**HB961 HD1 SD2 CD1** Expands the types of entities from which a Preschool Open Doors service provider may obtain accreditation. Beginning 1/1/2024, expands the Preschool Open Doors Program to eligible 3-year-old children.

**HB388 HD1 SD2 CD1** Adopts the National Instructional Materials Accessibility Standard. Requires the Department of Education to obtain instructional materials in accessible formats for eligible students.

#### **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

HB999 HD1 SD2 CD1 Amends the Hawai'i Technology Development Corporation Board of Directors to include the Chairperson of the Board of Regents of the University of Hawai'i. Establishes and funds a public policy framework that addresses state goals regarding economic diversification. Requires the Hawai'i Technology Development Corporation to submit annual reports to the Legislature.

**HB954 HD2 SD2 CD1** Increases the household and dependent care services tax credit for five years. Increases the refundable earned income tax credit for five years. Increases the income thresholds and credit amounts of the refundable food/excise tax credit for five years.

#### **KUPUNA**

**HB278 HD1 SD2 CD1** Establishes and funds a working group to plan and implement a public health campaign for Alzheimer's awareness, and an Alzheimer's disease and related dementias public health campaign.





#### HOUSING

HB675 HD1 SD2 CD1 Requires, if sufficient funding is available, the Hawai'i Housing Finance & Development Corporation to open at minimum two application periods each year for applications to develop affordable housing.

**HB217 HD1 SD2 CD1** Exempts certain residences from the requirement that plans and specifications for construction projects be prepared by a licensed engineer or architect.

#### **HEALTH**

**SB162 SD2 HD2 CD1** Allows persons with community service licenses to practice at community health centers, rural health clinics, and mobile dental outreach programs. Allows certain dental hygiene and dental college graduates to apply for temporary or community service licenses.



### Grants-In-Aid and Capital Improvement Project Funding

Grants-In-Aid	Amount
Imua Family Services	\$500,000
Boys & Girls Clubs of Maui, Inc.	\$500,000
Hale Makua Health Services	\$500,000
Maui Humane Society	\$500,000
Pacific Cancer Foundation	\$500,000



**Above:** Maui High School's current track and field.

**Right:** The Boys & Girls Clubs of Maui visiting the Hawai'i State Capitol this session.



Capital Improvement Proj	ject
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**Maui High School:** Plans, design & construction for track & field improvements to include resurfacing; ground & site improvements; equipment & appurtenances.

**Pōmaika'i Elementary School:** Design & construction for playfield improvements, including regrading/reconditioning, irrigation upgrades, landscaping, replacing campus water valves, ground & site improvements; equipment.

New Central Maui Elementary & Middle School: Plans, design, & construction for a new elementary & middle school in central Maui; equipment & appurtenances.

Kahului Airport: Construction for improvements to terminals, systems, & facilities at the airport. This project is deemed necessary to qualify for federal aid financing and/or reimbursement.

Kahului Harbor Improvements: Plans, land acquisition, design & construction of capital improvement program projects that will provide for safer more efficient use of existing and/or additional operational areas throughout Kahului Harbor. This project is deemed necessary to qualify for federal aid financing and/or reimbursement.

Fiscal Year '24	Fiscal Year '25
\$2,500,000	-
-	\$650,000
\$10,000,000	-
\$37,770,000	-
\$9,988,000	\$24,988,000

## Friends and Neighbors,

We greatly value your feedback. For your convenience, we wanted to keep the survey open and give you the option to provide a physical submission so we can continue to hear from you during the interim. Use any smartphone device to scan the QR code below and access the survey online, or cut out and mail this section to my office. The survey takes roughly 5 minutes to complete. I look forward to hearing from you!

Mahalo Nui Loal





Scan the QR code:
Complete this survey online

Fill in as desired, cut out, & mail to: Representative Justin Woodson Hawai'i State Capitol, Room 405 415 S. Beretania Street Honolulu, Hawai'ii 96813 Name (Optional):

## How concerned are you about the topics below?

1 = Not concerned about this topic in our community. 5= Very concerned about this topic in our community.











What does Kahului, Pu'unēnē, and Wailuku need more of?

1 = We do not need more of this in our community. 5= We very much need more of this in our community.



Please share your thoughts, concerns, comments, or needs you feel should be addressed:

## \* LOCAL

## District 9 Survey Results Thus Far

Surveyed constituents believe Kahului, Pu'unēnē, and Wailuku need more

1 local farms and businesses.

The following options were close behind:



More Schools & School Services



Majority of surveyed constituents are most concerned with *housing affordability* <sup>1</sup> in Kahului, Pu'unēnē, and Wailuku.

School improvements was the secondary concern of surveyed constituents.



## THANK YOU

For keeping up with and participating in Hawai'i's 2023 Legislative Session



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## **LEGISLATIVE UPDATE**

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### **Useful Phone Numbers**

SPECIFIC TO DISTRICT 9

Maui Police Non-Emergency	808 244 6400
Motor Vehicle Accidents Report	808 244 9056
Maui Emergency Management Agency	808 872 3830
Kahului Fire Station	808 270 7911
Maui Memorial Medical Center	808 244 9056
Poison Control	800 222 1222
Central Maui Landfill	808 270 6153

Ka Hale A Ke Ola Resource Center	808 242 7600
Housing & Human Concerns	808 270 7805
Maui American Job Center	808 270 5777
Kahului Airport (OGG)	808 872 3830
Kahului Department of Motor Vehicles	808 270 7363
Maui Bus Schedule Information	808 871 4838
Weather & Surf Forecast	808 973 4382

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