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## Working for Hawai`i and You

### Improving Our Emergency Medical Service

In many emergency medical situations, response time can mean the difference between life and death; it is called the 'golden hour'. Because of our remote location, patients in critical trauma on rural islands are especially at risk. The County of Maui has only one full service acute care hospital - Maui Memorial Medical Center, which can treat and stabilize most injuries. Some however, are severe enough to require treatment from hospitals with specialized services in Honolulu. To ensure rapid patient delivery, Maui County is in need of emergency helicopter services to complement emergency ground ambulance and fixed-wing transport services. I co-sponsored Senate Bill (SB) 745, which appropriates funds to expand critical emergency rapid transport, assists with an emergency "911" telephone system, improves emergency medical service personnel training courses, coordinates the State system's services in the event of mass casualties, natural disasters, and establishes emergency aeromedical services throughout the State, especially including rural communities. Click on the link or read the text of the bill at: [http://www.capitol.hawaii.gov/sessioncurrent/bills/sb745\\_sd2 .htm](http://www.capitol.hawaii.gov/sessioncurrent/bills/sb745_sd2.htm)

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### Approved Bills Going to the Governor for Signature - ON THEIR WAY!

The following Senate Bills that I introduced have been approved by both Senate and House and will thus bypass Conference Committee and go directly to the Governor. Read the text of the bills by clicking on the links or visit the Capitol web site. Learn how, see the **GET INVLOVED** directions on page 2.

SB 319: [Food waste recycling, county requirements established](#)

SB 552: [Relating to landowners' liability](#)

SB 554: [Brown tree snakes; research for snake detector dogs](#) (Signed into law April 7, 2003, Act 010)

SB 616: [Hate crimes; enhanced criminal protection](#)

SB 843: [Conservation; safe harbor agreements; habitat conservation plans](#)

SB 787: [Relating to disaster leave, State and County employees](#)

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## Time is Ticking . . . Big Decisions - Bills in Conference

As the Legislative session nears completion, most of my time over the next two weeks will be spent discussing bills in Conference. A joint House Senate Conference Committee is appointed to resolve differences on amendments made to bills by either chamber, and to prepare final drafts of the bills. These then go to the Senate floor for final approval, and then to the Governor where she either signs them into law, allows them to become law without her signature, or vetoes them. The table below outlines bills that I introduced this session, which are still alive. Since decisions are rapidly being made, this list is subject to change. Read the text of bills, see **GET INVOLVED** for directions.

### Going to Conference Committee

- SB 426: [Relating to economic development](#)
- SB 474: [Auditor's confidentiality of records](#)
- SB 506: [Relating to geothermal royalties](#)
- SB 540: [Appropriation for agricultural research and development](#)
  
- SB 579: [Non-emergency 311 report system; grant](#)
- SB 611: [Appointed counsel; compensation](#)
- SB 614: [Health care insurance fraud](#)
- SB 635: [Traffic fines; judiciary programs](#)
- SB 637: [Hawai'i's missing children's clearinghouse trust fund](#)
  
- SB 745: [Relating to emergency medical services](#)
- SB 789: [Public employee health benefits](#)
- SB 855: [Alternative energy systems tax credit](#)
- SB 1055: [Motor vehicle insurance; statewide database](#)
  
- SB 1239: [Renewable energy; biodiesel fuel](#)
- SB 1460: [Contracts entered into Hawai'i tourism](#)
- SB 1462: [Operational improvements to Hawai'i tourism authority](#)
  
- SB 1505: [Relating to invasive species](#)
- SB 1519: [Community health centers; funding](#)
- SB 1675: [Office on aging; Hawai'i health systems](#)
- SB 1700: [Charter school funding](#)

## GET INVOLVED

Read the text of the bills and resolutions by clicking on the links or go to: [www.capitol.hawaii.gov](http://www.capitol.hawaii.gov). Select "Bill Status & Docs". Search for bill text, bill status, and get Conference Committee hearing dates and times.

### Adopted Resolutions

Resolutions express the sentiment of the Legislature. They do not have the same force and effect as law, but they do prevail upon other governmental bodies addressing local, regional, national, and international concerns. Resolutions are usually introduced in pairs, Senate Resolutions (SR) and Senate Concurrent Resolutions (SCR). An SR is in force when adopted by the Senate; an SCR is in force when adopted by both the House and the Senate. The following is a list of adopted SRs that I introduced. Their companion SCRs are still pending in the House Committee hearings with a deadline for passage of Monday April 21, 2003. SCRs listed below have been adopted by the House and are in force.

- SR 13: [Funding; Hawaii State Commission on the status of women](#)
- SR 21/SCR 33: [Litigation against Chevron Texaco for nonpayment of Taxes](#)
- SR 22: [Highway 11 accident study; Hawai'i](#)
- SCR 31: [Investigate housing inequalities](#)
- SB 33: [Establishment of environmental court](#)
- SR 34: [Native Hawaiians; vital statistics records](#)
- SR 57: [Sunrise review of the regulation of hypnotherapists](#)
  
- SR 59: [Supporting project faith](#)
- SR 60: [Three strikes law; task force](#)
- SR 62: [Light pollution; energy conservation](#)
- SR 67: [Convening an economic summit](#)
- SR 71: [Management and financial audit of Narcotics Enforcement Division](#)
  
- SR 74/SCR 106: [Real estate on-line courses](#)
- SR 79: [Public, educational, governmental TV](#)
- SR 86: [Renewed public educational campaign; combat crystal methamphetamine](#)
- SR 89: [Kalawahine lands; auditor audit](#)
- SR 93: [Continuation of services after family programs' closure](#)
- SR 96: [Hawai'i homeownership center](#)
- SR 97: [Public schools; vice principals, staff](#)
- SR 98: [School libraries; long range plan](#)
- SR 103: [Settlement; Hawaiian Trust claims](#)
- SR 106: [Energy efficiency & renewable energy](#)
- SR 112: [State Capitol works of art by students](#)
- SR 113: [Emissions working group; reduction](#)
- SR 115: [Alien and invasive organism reduction](#)
- SR 139: [Community parks; cultural tourism](#)
- SR 142: [Ahupua'a preservation](#)
- SR 107/SCR 158: [Algae growth in capitol pools](#)