

6th District
HĀNA, EAST & UPCOUNTRY MAUI,
MOLOKA'I, LĀNA'I & KAHO'OLAWĒ



Senator English Assumes Chairmanship of Transportation and International Affairs Committee



Transportation issues are addressed in detailed briefings around the state, such as this Dec. 15 meeting of the O'ahu Metropolitan Planning Association. Sen. English, as chair of the Senate Transportation Committee, will play a key role in planning the future of harbors and roadways, along with ocean and air travel throughout Hawai'i.

Sen. J. Kalani English has moved into a position at the Hawai'i State Senate that will give him added opportunities to serve the needs of the 6th District. Sen. English is chair of a new committee: Transportation and International Affairs. He will continue to serve as a member of the Ways and Means Committee, and becomes a member of another newly constituted committee: Economic Development and Taxation.

Advances in Energy Policy

His previous chairmanship, Energy, Environment, and International Affairs, gave Sen. English the opportunity to introduce landmark legislation over the years that represents Hawai'i's first meaningful steps toward energy self-sufficiency. "I will always continue to be a strong advocate of renewable energy," he says. "But I also welcome a new challenge. I look forward to tackling such vital matters as interisland transportation and the condition of our airports, roads, and harbors. It's a chance to make a difference for all the people of Hawai'i."

Chair, Committee on
Transportation and
International Affairs

Member, Committee on
Ways and Means

Member, Committee on Economic
Development and Taxation



A Message From Kalani

Aloha,

As we celebrate this special time of year, my office staff and I would like to wish everyone the happiest of holidays.

As we look ahead to a new legislative session, and a new set of responsibilities, it is a time to reflect on the many blessings of life in our island home. Please accept our very best wishes for a joyous holiday season.





Sen. English Meets With Pacific Island Heads of State, Community Leaders

Above, Sen. English with Tommy E. Remengesau, Jr., President of the Republic of Palau. Below, Pres. Remengesau and Sen. English with the Association of Pacific Island Legislatures Executive Board in Palau.



Sen. English with old friends: President Oscar Temaru of Tahiti and, below, with Miss Moloka'i Leimana Ritti-Camara and members of Matato'a, the performing troupe from Rapa Nui, in Papeete.



The months leading up to the 2007 Legislative session have been a busy time for Sen. English, who has been representing Hawai'i throughout the Pacific as part of his work as Senate International Affairs Chair. "It's important to keep up Hawai'i's place in the Pacific Island community," he says. "These contacts can bring home benefits to the state and the 6th District through trade and cultural exchanges, as they remind us of our shared heritage."



Senator English took this photo of Dawn Lono, Haunani Collins, Sam Aina, and (back row, left to right) Marc Collins and Doug Cornelson at a Hāna Boat Ramp Improvement meeting on Dec. 18. The group met to discuss the best uses for a \$3.3 million appropriation Sen. English was able to obtain for improvements to the structure.

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