



Hawaii State Senator Bennette E. Misalucha

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Report to the Aiea Neighborhood Board No. 20 October 2022

Dear Neighbor,

The Hawai'i State Department of Labor & Industrial Relations announced the Hawai'i minimum wage will increase to \$12.00 per hour beginning October 1, 2022. This is the first increase in the minimum wage since 2018. I applaud my colleagues in the Legislature for their support to pass this to raise up our local families.

Last week, we celebrated Digital Inclusion Week in Hawai'i with activities across the state. One of the events I attended was a digital literacy class that provided digital and computer skills training. For more information, see State & Capitol Updates.

During the 2022 Legislative Session, Representative Lisa Kitagawa and I sponsored companion resolutions that designates September 2022 as Child Care Provider Appreciation Month. House Concurrent Resolution 69 (HCR69) successfully passed both chambers. As part of Child Care Provider Appreciation month, I visited Above the Summit Hawai'i, a child day care in 'Aiea. Mahalo to all the child care providers out there who work tirelessly for our working families and children.

This serves as my final report to the 'Aiea Neighborhood Board with my term of office ending on November 8, 2022. I want to thank the 'Aiea community for allowing me the honor and privilege of serving you the past two years as your State Senator. We have accomplished so much together, and it is just the beginning for what is to come for our beautiful community. Mahalo again for the opportunity to serve you and if there is anything I can assist you with before November 8, please let me know at (808) 586-6230 or email me at senmisalucha@capitol.hawaii.gov.

At Your Service,

Senator Bennette E. Misalucha
Senate District 16

Calendar of Events

October 2022

- 10 Aiea Neighborhood Board Meeting, 7:00pm
- 17 Aiea Community Association Meeting, 7:00pm
- 29 Fall Craft Fair at Aiea Elementary School, 9:00am—2:00pm

November 2022

- 11 Veterans Day Holiday
- 14 Aiea Neighborhood Board Meeting, 7:00pm
- 21 Aiea Community Association Meeting, 7:00pm
- 24 Thanksgiving Holiday

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STATE & CAPITOL UPDATES

Hawai'i's Minimum Wage to Increase Beginning October 1st

The [Hawai'i State Department of Labor & Industrial Relations](#) announced that per [Act 114](#), Session Laws of Hawai'i 2022 (Act 114), the Hawai'i minimum wage will increase to \$12.00 per hour beginning October 1, 2022. This is the first increase in the minimum wage since 2018 when the minimum wage rate was set at \$10.10 per hour. The minimum wage will rise in three increments. The six-year timeline is below:

- \$14.00 per hour on January 1, 2024
- \$16.00 per hour on January 1, 2026
- \$18.00 per hour on January 1, 2028

5 Things You Need to Know About Your Tax Refund

The Hawai'i State Department of Taxation has shared tips if you have not yet received your [Act 115 State Tax Refund](#). Act 115, Session Laws of Hawai'i 2022 (Act 115), provides a one-time constitutional refund to each qualifying resident taxpayer who files an individual income tax return for the 2021 tax year on or before December 31, 2022.

5 THINGS YOU NEED TO KNOW
About Your Tax Refund

1. Direct deposit checks will continue into October
2. Paper checks will start in October
3. Last day to file your tax return is 12/31/22
4. If you haven't received your direct deposit, expect a paper check in the mail
5. If you moved or changed the information on your account, please contact DOTAX immediately at 808-587-4242

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Digital Inclusion Week Kicks Off in Hawai'i with Events Scheduled Throughout the State

For a second year, Digital Inclusion Week will be recognized and celebrated with a week of activities across the state. During the 2022 Legislative Session, Senator Misalucha introduced [Senate Concurrent Resolution 25](#), which officially recognizes October 3 - 7, 2022, as Digital Inclusion Week in Hawai'i.

[Digital Inclusion Week](#) is an annual National Digital Inclusion Alliance (NDIA) campaign to highlight digital inclusion efforts and promote digital equity across the country through local events and organizations. The week aims to raise awareness of solutions addressing home internet access, personal devices, and local technology training and support programs. The theme this year is "Turning Our Moment into Movement" signaling a turning point and time of action for the digital inclusion movement.

For more information, click [here](#).



Digital Inclusion Week 2022 Events
October 3-7, 2022

- Digital Equity Showcase at Hilo Public Library**
 - October 4, 2022
- Digital Inclusion Week Webinar on Remote Work**
 - October 4, 2022 from 3:00 - 3:45pm
- Digital Ready Hawaii Digital Literacy Classes**
 - October 3, 2022 at MEO office in Molokai
 - October 5, 2022 at Papakolea from 10am to 1pm
- Palama Settlement ACP Sign Up**
 - October 8, 2022 from 10am - 2pm
- Pacific Basin Telehealth Resource Center's Student Social Media Challenge**
 - Compete in the social media challenge all week long to win a Starbucks gift card! More info at www.pbtrc.org.

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Sen. Misalucha speaks in front of a digital literacy class held at Papakolea Community Center, Oct. 5, 2022.

Senator Misalucha Participates in Child Care Provider Appreciation Month



Sen. Misalucha with Catherine Tabiolo at Above the Summit Hawaii in 'Aiea, Sept. 19, 2022.

As part of Child Care Provider Appreciation Month, Senator Misalucha recently visited Above the Summit Hawai'i, a child day care in 'Aiea. Senator Misalucha met with child care provider Catherine Tabiolo and read stories to the children.

This is the first year Child Care Provider Appreciation Month is being recognized through [House Concurrent Resolution 69](#), which was part of companion resolutions introduced by Senator Misalucha and Representative Kitagawa during the 2022 Legislative Session.

COMMUNITY UPDATES

Fall Craft Fair at Aiea Elementary SchoolA vertical poster for a Fall Craft Fair. The top section has a dark brown background with two large maple leaves, one yellow and one red. Text reads "Char-Su Productions & AHS PTSO present...". The middle section has a gold glitter background with the text "FALL CRAFT FAIR" in large, bold, white letters with a black outline, and "AT AIEA ELEMENTARY" in green letters with a white outline. The bottom section has a dark brown background with the date "SAT, OCT. 29" in large yellow letters, the time "9am to 2pm" in yellow letters, and "CRAFT & FOOD VENDORS" in orange letters. Below this, it says "free parking & goodie bags for kids in costume". At the bottom, there are three logos: Char-Su Productions, a smiling pumpkin, and the Aiea Elementary School PTSO logo. Contact information is provided at the very bottom.

*Char-Su Productions & AHS PTSO
present...*

**FALL
CRAFT FAIR**

AT AIEA ELEMENTARY

SAT, OCT. 29
9am to 2pm

CRAFT & FOOD VENDORS
free parking & goodie bags for kids in costume

  

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94-303 Farrington Hwy, Waipahu, Hawaii (808) 725-0018

For more details about the event, click [here](#).