



GARNER SHIMIZU

STATE HOUSE REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT 32

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Aloha Friends,

As we're approaching the mid-point of the session, I wanted to call attention to a handful of bills currently moving through legislation.

Bills I've Introduced:

- 1) **SB2563** - Establishes a three-year Homelessness Sanctuary Pilot Program (companion bill to my bill HB2509)
- 2) **HB2044** - Expands Inmate workforce re-entry training

Bills I've signed on:

- 3) **HB1520** - Extends time for prosecution of campaign spending violations
- 4) **HB2127** - Establishes civic education program

Your input truly makes a difference. If you have any questions, thoughts, or concerns, please reach out to my office. I always appreciate hearing from you and value the feedback you share.

Blessed to serve you,

Representative Garner Shimizu

CIVIL BEAT CAFE: 2026 LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

I will be on the panel joining Assistant Majority Whip Senator Tim Richards III (D) and House Vice Speaker Representative Linda Ichiyama (D) for Civil Beat's second installment of their 2026 Legislative Update.

You are welcome to join us for a hybrid (in-person and online) discussion on **Tuesday, March 3, from 12:00 to 1:30p.m.** The discussion will be moderated by Civil Beat politics editor, Chad Blair and reporter, Kevin Dayton.

Please register by clicking here for both in-person or online.

*Civil Beat's main newsroom is located in the Civil Beat Plaza, 3650 Wai'ala'e Ave., Suite 200, (Kaimuki, above Goodwill Hawaii)

*Online guests will be sent a link to join 24 hours prior to the event.

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I'd love to hear from you! Please share questions, concerns, or ideas you may have. You can reach me at **(808) 586-9470** or **RepShimizu@capitol.hawaii.gov**. For regular and time-sensitive updates about legislation and issues that impact our community visit **RepShimizu.com** and sign up for my e-newsletters.



At the Capitol



Hawaii State Student Council Students

Students from Maui, 'Aiea, and Moanalua High School participating in the Hawai'i State Student Council, visited Representative Shimizu's office. Schools across the state took time to visit the State Capitol to meet with legislators and ask questions to conduct research for their upcoming conference debate. During their visit, they toured both the House and Senate Chambers.



Moanalua Middle School Field Trip

Moanalua Middle School students took a field trip to the Capitol. Representative Ichiyama and Shimizu shared with the students how the legislative session works and the responsibilities of a legislature. Students had the chance to ask questions and learn how laws are created in Hawai'i.



Clean Elections Hawai'i Coalition

Leaders in the Clean Elections Hawai'i coalition called for the swift appointment of an impartial Special Prosecutor to investigate the growing web of alleged pay-to-play donations, and held an event this past Monday to hear from advocates and citizens. Representative Shimizu chatted with community members and advocates calling for reforms to restore public trust. Representative Shimizu has continued to champion clean elections and introduced HB2511, which would require voter registration roll maintenance and election audits.

In the Community



Central District Honor Orchestra 2026 Concert

Representative Shimizu attended the Central District Honor Orchestra 2026 Concert, where he joined Representative Kong and La Chica for an evening of musical performances. The concert showcased the impressive talents of student orchestras from schools across the district. Among the participants were District 32's Moanalua Elementary, Middle, and High School, whose students delivered a talented performances.



Recognizing Chandra Kanemaru

Senator Wakai, Vice Speaker Ichiyama, and Representative Shimizu presented a certificate to Chandra Kanemaru for her exemplary service and leadership in the Salt Lake-Aliamanu Neighborhood Board. Kanemaru has devoted more than 17 years of distinguished service, where she spearheaded Operation Clean Sweep, the initiative to address the condition of the Salt Lake waterway. Her efforts have brought together the city, state, federal agencies, and community members to clean and maintain the waterway.





Radford Complex Speech Festival

The Radford Complex Speech Festival at Aliamanu Middle School is an educational tradition that brings together multiple schools surrounding the Radford area. The event provides elementary school students with an opportunity to develop their voice, build confidence, and strengthen their communication skills. Representative Shimizu supported the festival and schools his district attends.



Cub Scouts Pack 9 Blue and Gold Ceremony

The Cub Scouts Pack 9 Troop held its Blue and Gold Ceremony to celebrate the founding of scouting and the values it represents. Representative Shimizu thanked the leaders and parents for their invaluable sacrifice and investment into their children's character and upbringing. The scouts were reminded to recognize and realize the valuable time and effort their parents were investing into their lives and well-being.

Aloha to Aloha Stadium

While the design details have been evolving, Aloha Stadium's demolition has begun. One bill to watch this session is SB2599. This bill appropriates money from the "Stadium Development Special Fund" for the planning, design, and development of the stadium development district by the Hawai'i Community Development Authority. It is contingent upon the Stadium Authority submitting a report that includes various documentation types, statuses, reports, plans, and agreements regarding the new stadium project.

SB2599: - 1). Redesignates the Stadium Development District as the "**Halawa Community Development District (HCDD)**" 2). Amends the composition of the Hawai'i Community Development Authority for purposes of the HCDD. 3). Amends the duties and powers of the Hawai'i Community Development Authority and Stadium Authority as they relate to activities within the HCDD. 4). Clarifies the Hawai'i Community Development Authority's permitting and consultation powers regarding public projects within community development districts. 5). Establishes the HCDD special fund.

To stay up-to-date on the Aloha Stadium redevelopment, visit <https://nased.hawaii.gov/>. Located in Representative Shimizu's district, he recorded a farewell video. Watch the video at: <https://youtu.be/51Mi0nlx6ds>



In the News: Hawaii News Now

Representative Shimizu was featured on Hawaii News Now, Capitol Connections, where he discussed his role as a state lawmaker and issues affecting his community. During the interview, he emphasized the importance of collaboration across party lines to achieve meaningful progress for Hawai'i residents. He also highlighted his homeless bill, HB2509, which builds upon the work he began during the 2025 legislative session with HB1338.

To watch the full interview, visit: <https://www.hawaiinewsnow.com/video/2026/02/05/rep-garner-shimizu-part-1/> and <https://www.hawaiinewsnow.com/video/2026/02/05/rep-garner-shimizu-part-2/>



In the News: Midweek Leeward Voice

Representative Shimizu recently was featured in Midweek’s Leeward Voice. His article discussed his homeless bill HB2509 and his condo bill HB2041, which addresses long-standing concerns raised by condominium owners who feel overwhelmed by rising fees, unclear decision-making, and limited recourse when problems arise within their associations. This bill would establish a Condominium Ombudsman’s Office, expand oversight authority for the Real Estate Commission, and require condominium associations to maintain and disclose additional records to unit owners. These two bills address the top main concerns of District 32 constituents specifically in the ‘Aiea and Halawa areas.

To read the full Midweek article, visit <https://midweek-hi.newsmemory.com/?editionStart=Voice+Leeward>.

Resources & Events

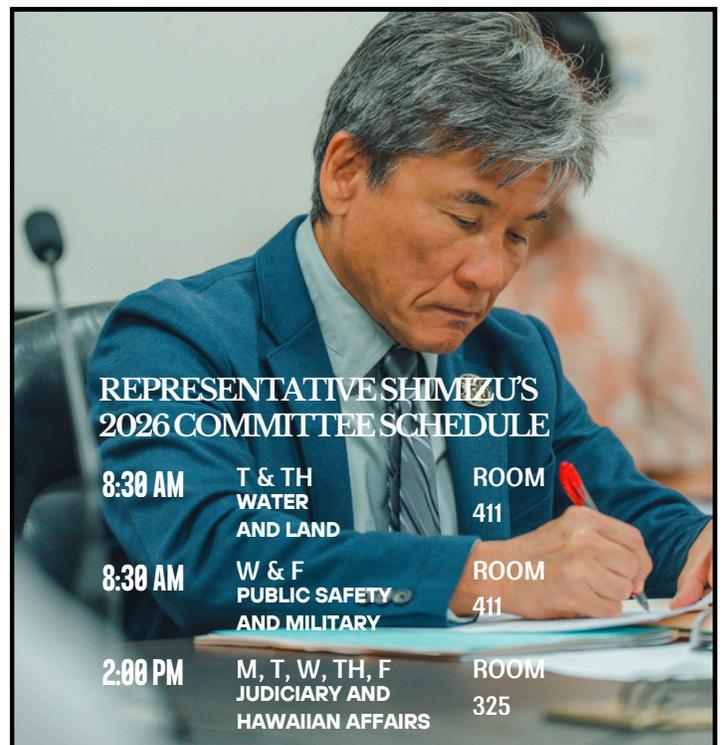
- **Red Hill Updates:** <https://redhillregistry.org/>
- **Aloha Stadium Redevelopment:** <https://nased.hawaii.gov/>
- **OCCC Relocation:** <https://hcsoc.hawaii.gov/>
- The ❤️ of Honolulu: discover our most Important City Departments. (Organized thru the Offices of Mayor Blangiardi) Thursday, March 19, 2026 @ Oahu Country Club. For more information & registration, visit HawaiiCouncil.org.
- The Hawai’i Department of Transportation (HDOT) invites everyone to share their thoughts on future land transportation needs for freight, motorists, transit, bicyclists and pedestrians as part of the Statewide Long-Range Land Transportation Plan (Plan) update. Statewide Long-Range Land Transportation Plans will be held on 3/10 at 12-1 PM (register here) and 6-7 PM (register here).
- Tuesday, March 3, 7:30 AM-2:45 PM, Moanalua High School Library, Blood Drive. Walk-ins welcomed!
- Friday, March 6, 5-8pm, Moanalua Middle School Parent Teacher Organization will host their Food Truck Frenzy Event.
- Friday, March 27, 2026, Ko’olau Ballrooms & Conference Center, 9th Annual Transition Centers Best Practices Conference to support newly arrived military-dependent students. To register, click here.

Get Involved

Get involved in this legislative session by following bills, submitting testimony, and contacting your legislature.

All legislative information, including bills, hearing notices, and testimony submission are available at Hawai’i State Legislature’s website at www.capitol.hawaii.gov. The Public Access Room is also a valuable resource. For more information, call 808-587-0478 or visit lrb.hawaii.gov/par/.

Representative Shimizu also created a video with step-by-step guidance. Learn more by visiting <https://www.repshimizu.com/get-involved>.



**REPRESENTATIVE SHIMIZU'S
2026 COMMITTEE SCHEDULE**

8:30 AM	T & TH WATER AND LAND	ROOM 411
8:30 AM	W & F PUBLIC SAFETY AND MILITARY	ROOM 411
2:00 PM	M, T, W, TH, F JUDICIARY AND HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS	ROOM 325

