



GARNER SHIMIZU

STATE HOUSE REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT 32

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Aloha Friends,

We're moving through the legislative session, and I'd love to hear from you. Your perspective helps me better understand what's most important to our community and informs the decisions I'm making at the Capitol. If you have a few minutes, please consider filling out this short survey and sharing your thoughts on some of the issues we're working on this year by going to www.repshimizu.com.

Thank you for taking the time to stay engaged and for helping shape the work ahead.

Blessed to serve you,

Representative Garner Shimizu



Community Volunteer Fair

At the JustServe Community Volunteer Fair, Representative Shimizu recognized Kina'ole Lions Club as an outstanding volunteer organization. He also recognized Lee Kunimitsu as an outstanding volunteer individual for his re-establishment and leadership of the Moanalua Valley Community Neighborhood Security Watch (NSW).

Representative Shimizu also invited outstanding district 32 volunteer groups working on restoration efforts at Makalapa Park, and Loko I'a Pa'alau Fishpond to participate in the event.

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STAY CONNECTED!

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

Red Hill Resolution

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) oversaw the defueling of the Red Hill facility from 2023 to 2024. On February 11, 2026, the EPA approved the U.S. Navy's 2026 Community Engagement Plan (CEP), a required component of the EPA's 2023 Red Hill Administrative Consent Order (2023 ACO) with the Navy. Under the approved CEP, the Navy is no longer required to attend Community Representation Initiative (CRI) meetings.

This decision sparked concern among community members, who believe the Navy should maintain ongoing communication regarding the Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Drinking Water System.

Because this issue affects Representative Shimizu's district, he has introduced resolution HR141/HCR149, calling for additional action from the Navy. The resolution urges the Navy to:

- Provide consistent, in-person participation at community meetings related to Red Hill remediation efforts;
- Share regular public updates on water quality testing, remediation timelines, and ongoing environmental safeguards with affected residents;
- Urged to engage directly with affected residents and provide clear and timely reporting on progress.

Aloha Stadium Updates

Representative Shimizu attended a Senate informational briefing to stay informed about Aloha Stadium developments in District 32. The briefing covered infrastructure improvements, housing projects, and entertainment and district development plans. Presenters included representatives from the Stadium Authority, the New Aloha Stadium Entertainment District (NASED), and the Hawaii Community Development Authority (HCDA).



Food and Product Innovation Network Day

Local small businesses and food innovators shared their Hawai'i-made products at the Capitol this week. Representative Shimizu was excited to chat with community groups and innovators about their products. The event was hosted by the Senate Agriculture and Environment Committee and the House Agriculture and Food Systems Committee.



Goodwill Hawai'i

A group of individuals from Goodwill Hawai'i stopped by Representative Shimizu's office to advocate for the Meals on Wheels program for seniors and those who are disabled. Goodwill Hawai'i supports adults with intellectual disabilities through activities and programs to increase skills, develop relationships, and gain experiences. Hawai'i Meals on Wheels delivers over 700 meals daily to the vulnerable who are unable to leave their homes.



Take Down Tobacco

Youth Council members recently advocated to end the sale of flavored tobacco products in Hawai'i at the Capitol for Take Down Tobacco Day. Over 80 youth gathered to march and rally to take a stand against Big Tobacco. Participants shared powerful messages about health, awareness, and community responsibility, calling on leaders to take meaningful action.





Floor Presentation

House members recognized the 2025 Hawai'i National Distinguished Principal, Gavin Tsue; 2025 Masayuki Tokioka Excellence in School Leadership Awardee, Baba Yim; and 2026 Hawai'i State Teacher of the Year, J. Elise Hannigan. Anna Nguyen and Lotus Yasuda were also recognized as the 2026 United States Senate Youth Program Delegates.

27th Annual Women's Legislative Caucus Easter Basket Drive



Representative Shimizu took part in the 27th Annual Women's Legislative Caucus Easter Basket Drive. Members of the Senate and House came together to support local families in need with donations going to organizations like the Institute for Human Services, Parents & Children Together, the Salvation Army Hawai'i, and others serving women and keiki across our state. Representative Shimizu and staff also contributed by donating items to help assemble a basket for the drive.

In the Community



Parade of Bands

Representative Shimizu attended The Parade of Bands held at Moanalua High School. The event celebrates the talents of young musicians from various schools, including 'Aiea Intermediate School, 'Aiea High School, Aliamanu Middle School, Radford High School, and Moanalua High School. Pictured with Representative Shimizu is Aiea High School Assistant Principal, Lachelle Sablan.



Moanalua Kina'ole Awards

Representative Shimizu attended the 2026 Menehune Kina'ole Awards to present certificates to Gail Awakuni, Felipe Ojastro, Matthew "Brother Matt" Taufetee, and Michelle Uehara. The Menehune Kina'ole Awards was established in 2005 to celebrate individuals who exhibit the highest standard of excellence and integrity. These individuals were selected due to their extraordinary career, leadership, and contributions to our community.



Moanalua Valley Community Association Easter

Every Easter, the Moanalua Valley Community Association (MVCA) hosts an Easter Event for the community. As a MVCA Director, Representative Shimizu participated in helping out with the Easter egg hunt and assisting with set up and clean up. The Kina'ole Lions Club also collected donations for the Hawai'i Food Bank to support island residents impacted by the recent floodings.



Supporting the Community

Representative Shimizu showed his support for Moanalua Middle School by attending their Food Truck Frenzy fundraiser. He is pictured alongside Moanalua Middle School Principle Komarey Moss.

Resources & Events

- **Red Hill Updates:** <https://redhillregistry.org/>
 - EPA will host a webinar on **April 14** to discuss the findings and answer questions related to the final drinking water report and dashboard. Registration is open at <https://bit.ly/4sP9hfC>.
 - EPA's Final Report on the Assessment of the Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam and Aliamanu Military Reservation Public Water Systems is now available. View online at <https://bit.ly/4tmlIIO>.
- **Aloha Stadium Redevelopment:** <https://nased.hawaii.gov/>
- **OCCC Relocation:** <https://hcsoc.hawaii.gov/>
- Starting **April 6**, Hawaiian Electric is offering options to help smooth short-term billing spikes, including interest-free payment plans for up to six months. Hawaiian Electric is forecasting that typical residential bills may rise between 20% and 30% over the next several months.
- The **Hawaii State Health Insurance Assistance Program (Hawaii SHIP)** helps Medicare-eligible residents, families, and caregivers make informed health coverage decisions. Through free, confidential, and unbiased counseling, education, and community outreach, SHIP ensures Hawai'i's kūpuna and individuals with disabilities have the tools and support needed to navigate Medicare with confidence. For more information, visit <https://www.hawaiiiship.org/>.
- **SMP Hawai'i** empowers Medicare beneficiaries, families, and caregivers to prevent, identify, and report health care fraud, errors, and abuse. Through education, outreach, and one-on-one assistance, the program helps protect kūpuna from scams that threaten their health and financial security. For more information, visit <https://www.smphawaii.org/>.
- **Saturday, April 11, 1:00 - 4:00 pm:** Operation Clean Sweep (OCS) Community Cleanup of the Salt Lake Waterway@ Howard Shima Likini Street Mini-Park and 1000 Genki Ball Making Event @ CFMA Recreation Center Lanai
- **Saturday, April 18, 1:00 - 2:00 pm:** Operation Clean Sweep - 1000 Genki Balls "Pat-down" Session
- **Saturday, April 25, 1:00 - 2:30 pm:** Operation Clean Sweep - 1000 Genki Ball TOSS Event!

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

