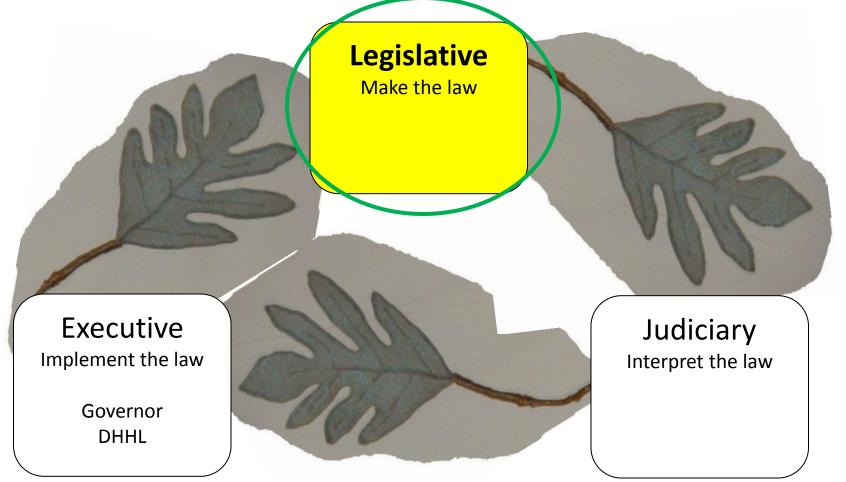
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# Separation of Powers 3 equal branches of government



## Legislative Branch: Makes the laws

Today, we're talking about **ONE level** of this branch of government

## NATIONAL

U.S. Congress passes laws that govern the entire country

STATE

State Legislature passes laws that govern Hawaii

## COUNTY

MAP OF HAWAII

Each council passes laws that govern their county

## Legislative Branch: Makes the laws

### STATE

## State Legislature passes laws that govern the state of Hawaii



MAP OF HAWAII



Hawaii State Legislature = two-chambered, lawmaking body

**Senate** 

House of Representatives

State Senators (25)

State Representatives (51)

# What do these lawmakers do?



In performing this **Service** for the people of Hawaii, they...

- enact laws
- adopt resolutions
- propose amendments to the Hawaii State Constitution
- approve the State budget

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# Representative Lynn DeCoite



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Member of the following committees: <u>Aqriculture</u> <u>Economic Development & Business</u> <u>Finance</u> <u>Tourism</u> <u>Veterans, Military, & International Affairs, & Culture and the</u> <u>Arts</u>

#### Newsletters

Representative DeCoite's End of Year Newsletter - Dec 2015 Representative DeCoite's Legislative/ End of Session Newsletter-May 2015 Representative DeCoite's Legislative Newsletter- April 2015

- Board member, Lokahi Pacific (from 2004-2012 )

- Board Member, Hikiola Cooperative (2008-2011)
- Board Member, Molokai Irrigation Advisory Board (2008-2012)
- Board Member, Molokai Chamber Foundation (2006-2012)
- Board Member, The Molokai Planning Commission from (2006-2009)
- President, Molokai Homestead Farmers Alliance (2006-2015)
- Chairperson, Farm Service Agency (2007-2015)
- Member, Hawaii State Board of Agriculture (2012-2015)

#### Measures Introduced

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On February 20, 2015 Lynn Pualani DeCoite was sworn in to represent the 13th District in the Hawaii State House of Representatives. She was appointed by Governor David Ige to fill the remainder of the two year term.

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Lynn DeCoite was born in Honolulu and has lived on Moloka'i since she was four years old. She is a third generation homestead farmer, where she and her three siblings were raised to work hard and live off the land. Lynn went to Moloka'i High School and then attended Moloka'i Community College. She is a devoted wife and proud mother of

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September 14, 2015

#### Lawmaker's Listen - Tuesday, October 13, 2015

Please join Representative Lynn DeCoite and leaders from the Hawaii State House of Representatives for a community update on the 2015 Legislative Session and preview for the upcoming 2016 Session. <u>See flyer.</u>

Tuesday, October 13, 2015 5:30pm-7:00pm Haiku Community Center Hana Highway at Pilialoha St , Haiku, Maui, HI 96708

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#### Lynn DeCoite Is Sworn In As The New Representative For House District 13

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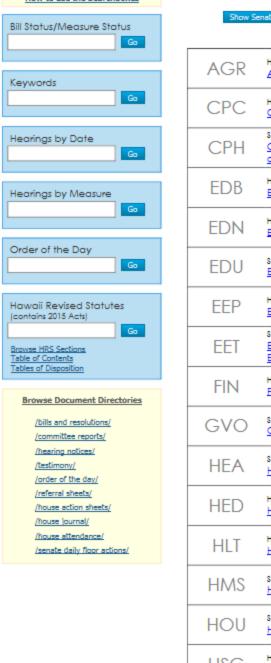
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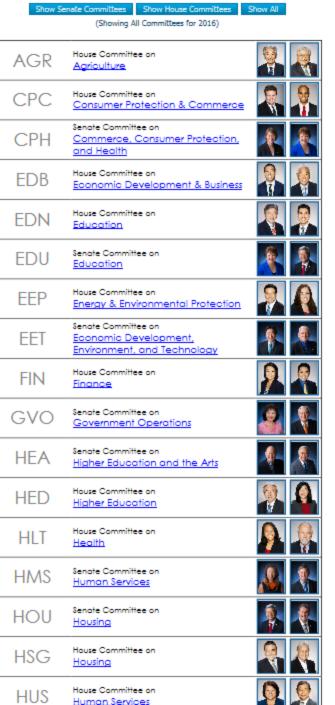
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#### Chair



Maile S.L. Shimabukuro Senate District 21 Hawaii State Capitol, Room 222 phone: 808-586-7793 fax: 808-586-7797 senshimabukuro@capitol.hawaii.gov

The purview of this committee includes those programs relating to Hawaiian affairs, including but not limited to the Office of Hawaiian Affairs, Hawaiian home lands, sovereignty, and burial councils.

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#### Members

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#### OMH House Committee on Ocean, Marine Resources, & Hawaiian Affairs

#### Chair



Kaniela Ing House District 11 Hawaii State Capitol, Room 311 phone: 808-586-8525 fax: 808-586-8529 reping@Capitol.hawaii.gov

The scope shall be those programs relating to ocean activities, outdoor marine matters, including marine recreational boating, ocean fish and game management, corals and inorganic marine resources, ocean mining, mariculture, commercial and recreational ocean fish and fishing, including fishery development and management, submerged lands, and the Coastal Zone Management Act. The committee shall also consider those programs relating to persons of Hawaiian ancestry, including programs administered by the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands and the Office of Hawaiian Affairs.

#### Vice Chair



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#### WAM Senate Committee on Ways and Means

#### Chair



Jill N. Tokuda Senate District 24 Hawaii State Capitol, Room 207 phone: 808-587-7215 fax: 808-587-7220 sentokuda@capitol.hawaii.gov

The purview of this committee includes those programs relating to overall state financing policies, including revenue enhancement, taxation, other revenues, and cash and debt management; statewide implementation of planning, programming, budgeting and evaluation; and government structure and finance.

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#### Chair



Sylvia Luke House District 25 Hawaii State Capitol, Room 306 phone: 808-586-6200 fax: 808-586-6201 repluke@Capitol.hawaii.gov

The scope shall be those programs relating to overall State financing policies, including taxation and other revenues, cash and debt management, and statewide implementation of planning, programming, budgeting, and evaluation.

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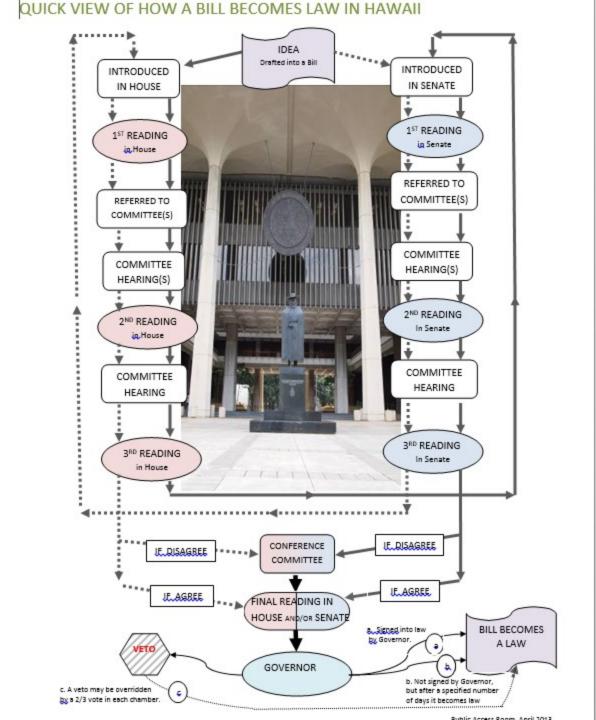
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# **Legislative Process**

## What is going on here? HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES H.B. NO. 1243 TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE, 2009 STATE OF HAWAII A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION. BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:



# Here's a brief glimpse of what's to come in a bill's life...

 Successfully pass through all committees the House and Senate have referred it to

and

 Successfully pass three readings in both the House and Senate chambers (where all the members convene)

and

- Have both House and Senate agree on exact wording and
- Be signed or allowed to come into law by Governor, or House and Senate successfully overrides his veto

## When does this all happen?



And, it's got to get through all of these things by certain dates – affectionately known as **DEADLINES** 

# To put it in perspective, most bills DIE

• In 2015, 2,894 bills and 749 resolutions were introduced.

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# Bills relating to DHHL

- HB1931 Reduces the minimum Hawaiian blood quantum requirement of certain transferees and successors to lessees of Hawaiian home lands from 1/4 to 1/32.
- HB1932 Ensures the legislature fulfills its responsibility under article XII, section 1, of the state constitution by appropriating sufficient general funds for the administration and operating expenses of DHHL for FY 16-17.

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Department of Hawaiian Home Lands; Administrative and Operating Expenses; Appropriation

Ensures the legislature fulfills its responsibility under article XII, section 1, of the state constitution by

appropriating sufficient general funds for the administration and operating expenses of the department of

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RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HAWAIIAN HOME LANDS.

Hawaiian home lands for fiscal year 2016-2017.

Some of the above items require Adobe Acrobat Reader. Please visit Adobe's download page for detailed instructions.

## HB1932



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# HB1932

- Bill will pass First Reading.
- Bill will be referred, most likely to OMH, FIN or could be OMH, JUD, FIN, or even OMH/JUD, FIN.
- The bill's referral will trigger the deadlines.
- If the referral is OMH, JUD, FIN, because OMH hearings are on Wednesday mornings, the latest the bill could be scheduled is 2/10/16.
- If the referral is OMH, FIN or OMH/JUD, FIN, the latest the bill could be scheduled is 2/17/16.

# HB1932 (cont.)

- Bill needs to pass Second Reading.
- FIN needs to schedule the bill by 3/3/16.
- Bill needs to pass Third Reading.
- Bill will pass First Reading in the Senate.
- Bill will be referred, most likely to HWN, WAM or HWN/JDL, WAM.
- HWN needs to schedule the bill by 3/23/16.
- Bill needs to pass Second Reading in the Senate.

# HB1932 (cont.)

- WAM needs to schedule the bill by 4/7/16.
- Bill needs to pass Third Reading in the Senate.
- Because the bill has an appropriation, it will go into Conference.
- The Budget has to move out of Conference before an appropriation bill can pass.
- Bill needs to pass out of Conference by 4/29/16.
- Bill needs to pass Final Reading by 5/5/16.

# The State Budget

HB 1700

# The State Budget

- Consists of appropriations for operating expenditures and capital expenditures.
- During an even numbered year like this year, a supplemental budget is submitted to amend the biennium budget approved last year.
- The House Finance Committee will review the Budget first, then the bill will move over to the Senate Ways and Means Committee.

# The State Budget (cont.)

- Source of Funding Codes A is General fund, B is Special funds, N is Other federal funds, and T is Trust funds.
- Budget Worksheets will be posted to reflect changes proposed by the House and Senate.

# **DHHL Operating Budget**

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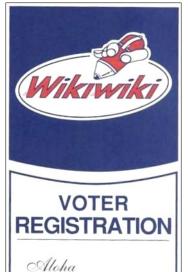
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# How do I add my voice to the mix?



### What can you do?



The Office of Elections and the Association of Clerks and Election Officers of Hawaii are pleased to introduce you to Wikiwiki Voter Registration, Hawaii's registration-bymail procedure

To register to vote, all you need is a Wikliwiki form and a postage stamp. Follow the instructions and complete the form correctly. Once you have registered to vote, please remember to take the next step and VOTE in the upcoming elections. See you there! elect State Senator (every 4 years)

- elect State Representative (every 2 years)
- vote on proposed amendments to the Hawaii State Constitution

My Idea

run for office or help someone else do so

communicate views and priorities

- offer testimony on proposed legislation
- join with others to amplify your voice

# **COMMUNICATE YOUR POSITION** *Time for a Letter...* Email... Phone call... Make sure your elected officials are aware of your concerns and your position on issues important to you

- "But they won't listen to me!"

- "Have you <u>contacted</u> your Senator and Representative to let them know what you think?"

# Make your letter effective

- Be brief, clear, and to the point.
  - one or two pages
  - your own words.
  - <u>be courteous</u>.
- Explain your position and why it matters.
- Include your return address or contact information.
   Sign your name legibly (or print it below your signature).

# What about testimony?

This is your opportunity to offer written or spoken statements to a committee regarding **your** position on a bill.

# What about testimony?

When do I get to offer it?

- Only when the measure is scheduled for a hearing, and the committee has indicated it will be accepting testimony.
- Usually, time is short! Guidelines for how and when to offer testimony appear on the hearing notice.

#### NOTICE OF HEARING

DATE: Friday, January 29, 2016 TIME: 1:15 PM PLACE: Conference Room 016 State Capitol 415 South Beretania Street

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#### AGENDA

HWN, WAM

RELATING TO INCREASING THE PAYMENT AMOUNT FOR THE OFFICE OF HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS' PRO RATA SHARE OF THE PUBLIC LAND TRUST. Requires agencies that collect receipts for any disposition of the public land trust shall each fiscal quarter transfer to the office of Hawaiian affairs twenty per cent of each receipt from the disposition. Returns to the office of Hawaiian affairs certain moneys previously claimed as public land trust overpayments to the office. Establishes a public land trust revenues negotiating committee.

 RELATING TO THE RIGHT OF FIRST REFUSAL FOR THE
 HWN, WAM

 DISPOSITION OF REMNANTS.
 HWN, WAM

 Provides the office of Hawaiian affairs with the right of first refusal for any disposition of public lands classified as remnants.
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Decision Making to follow, if time permits.

Click here to submit testimony to the Senate Committee on Hawaiian Affairs.

#### Testimony may be submitted up to 24 hours prior to the start of the hearing.

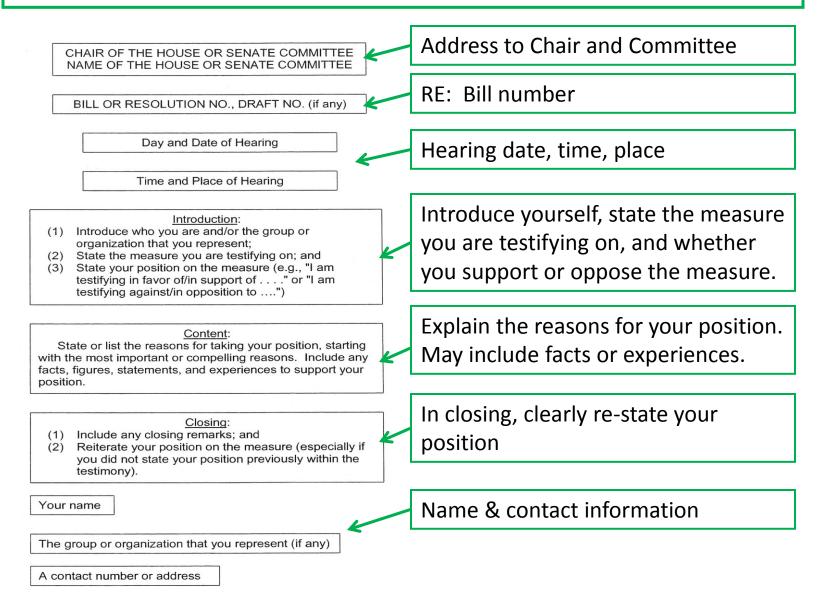
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s or services to participate in the public hearing process (i.e. ASL or foreign language interpreter, or wheelchair accessibility), please contact the committee clerk at

# No rules regarding exactly what it needs to look like or sound like.

That's up to you.

### That said, here's a simple outline...



# Many ways to submit written testimony...

- Deliver it (not enough time to mail it)
- **Fax** it



- Email it (make sure to use the testimony email address specified – don't just email it to the Chair or Committee)
- Submit it using the form on the Legislature's website



# Oral Testimony Let them Hear your Voice!

- "Chair \_\_\_\_, Vice Chair \_\_\_\_ and members of the committee..." is a great way to start.
- Short and simple (2-3 minutes)
  - Introduce yourself and the group or organization (if a you represent.
  - Clearly state your position in favor? Opposed?
     Alternatives?
  - Be courteous, respectful, and professional
  - Remember to Breathe!
- Tell the truth and do not exaggerate. *Become a trusted resource!*



Find others who agree with your position to amplify your voiçe

- Let them know how easy it is to testify
- Make use of organizations to help spread the word
- Listen to those who disagree with you – they may be your best teachers



# Things happen *fast*



- Short turn-around time for testimony, be prepared and ready to go
- It's tempting to send in form testimony
  - *INSTEAD*: consider writing a sentence or two in your own words

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(Grant in Aid application and forms have been updated for 2016. In order to allow the Legislature time to thoroughly review applications, the deadline to submit applications will be 4:30pm on January 22nd, 2016)

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- What's in a **committee**, what's come out...
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- Subject search (great way to find bills!)
- And a lot more... explore!

# Lots to be Found Here!



# Measure tracking

# It's easy to set up Tracking Lists

- First, Create a list just name it something!
- Then populate the list with the bills and resolutions you're interested in
- When you're done, ask it to generate the report – print it out using the landscape orientation (or print it as a .pdf document, and email it to your colleagues)

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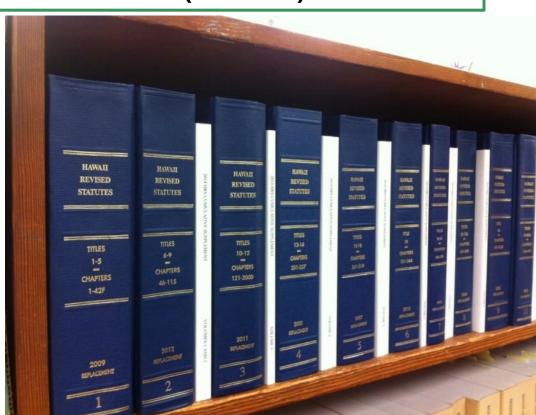
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# One **last** thing... The online version of the Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS)

There are 14 volumes



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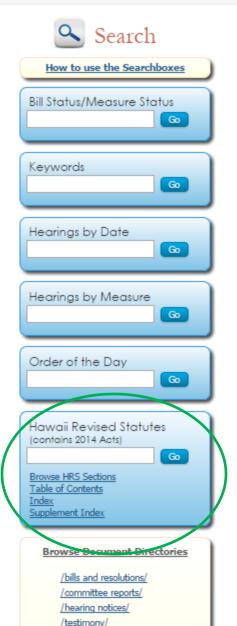
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# This is a lot of information!



# So, when you're trying to figure out where to find something **Remember...**

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- Help, information and training at no charge
- Your office at the Capitol
- Non-partisan
- Lots of resources!
  - Computers with Internet
  - Wireless Internet access
  - Copies of testimony
  - Reference materials
  - Workshops and tutorials



# The place to go to:



- type up your testimony
- do online research
- re-group or meet up with others

 watch hearings remotely when the hearing room is too full (or it's a long agenda and you're waiting for them to get to your bill!)

- just read the funnies

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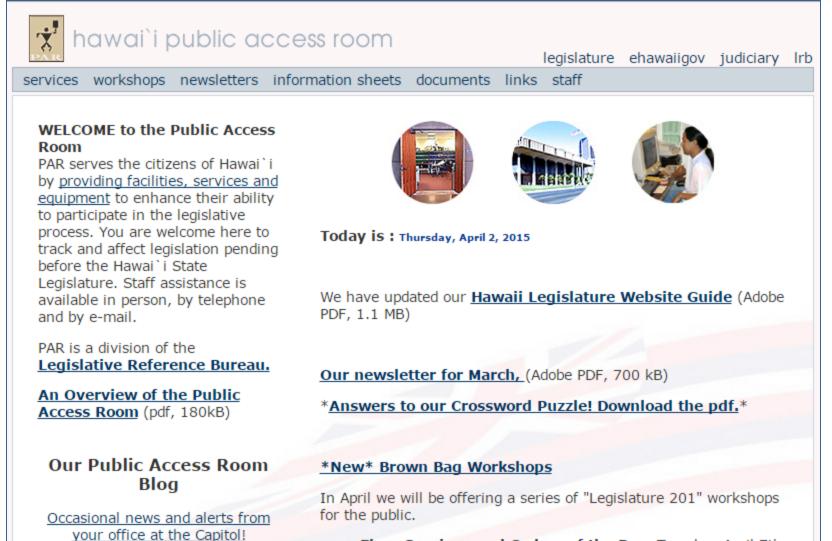
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### PAR's website: LRBhawaii.org/PAR



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- Get on our email list for notices and newsletters
- Call or email us we can save you time by pointing you in the right direction



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# Mahalo!