

# Representative Lauren Cheape Matsumoto

FEBRUARY 2020 • MILILANI - WAIPIO  
NEIGHBORHOOD BOARD MEETING

District 45 - Mililani • Kunia • Schofield • Wheeler • Waiialua •  
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## First Crossover

### **Aloha friends & neighbors!**

March 5<sup>th</sup> is the first major legislative deadline. During First Crossover, all the bills that passed Third Reading in the House and Senate swap to the other chamber for committee hearings and discussion. Only about 20% of the bills introduced make it this far, and some have changed since their original drafts.

Curious about what bills are still alive?



Go to [www.capitol.hawaii.gov](http://www.capitol.hawaii.gov), click on "Reports and Lists", ensure "Deadline Tracking" is selected on the lefthand sidebar, and then scroll to the links underneath "First Crossover". You can also find some helpful tips and tricks for finding which bills are still moving by visiting the Public Access Room website at [lrb.hawaii.gov/par](http://lrb.hawaii.gov/par). As always, don't hesitate to call or email my office if you need help finding legislation or navigating the Capitol website!

**Mahalo!**

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## 2020 Bill Package Update

Two of the bills I introduced this session are still alive and moving onto the next step in the process:

### **HB 2624 HD1 Environmental Impact Statement Website**

Creates the Environmental Impact Statement Hub Website as a central location for information about Environmental Impact Statements. The user-friendly website will include information about hearings, public comment periods, and allows comments to be submitted online. Creates transparency and ease-of-use in the EIS process.

### **HB 2064 HD1 On-site Childcare Facilities Tax Credit**

Creates a tax credit for businesses with on-site childcare facilities to incentivize more childcare options. Studies demonstrate that additional childcare options help increase working women's earnings over time and increase employee satisfaction, morale, and retention.



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## COMMUNITY EVENTS

**Friday, February 28**  
Central District Science Fair  
Mililani Waena Elementary  
3:00pm to 7:00pm

**Saturday, February 29**  
Journal Set-up Meet-up  
Mililani Public Library  
1:30pm to 2:30pm

**Sunday, March 1**  
Mililani YMCA 5K Fun Run  
Mililani YMCA  
6:00am to 12:00pm

**Saturday, March 7**  
All Star Chef Showcase  
Rec. Center #7  
5:00pm to 8:00pm

**Monday, March 9**  
Wellness Workshop:  
Delicious and Nutritious  
Eating on a Budget  
Mililani YMCA  
6:30pm to 7:30pm

**Saturday, March 14**  
Tales and Treasures of  
China  
Mililani Public Library  
3:00pm to 3:30pm

## Community Updates

### 2020 Agriculture Day at the Capitol

Farmers and agricultural professionals came from all over the islands to showcase the diverse agriculture industry in Hawaii. I am so proud of the local farmers in our state. Coming from an agricultural family, I had a great time meeting everyone and learning about the hard work that's being done to grow local food and educate our keiki about local agriculture.



### Bleeding Disorders Legislative Day

The National Hemophilia Foundation hosted a luncheon on the lawn of the Capitol for Bleeding Disorders Legislation Day. Through education, advocacy, and research, the NHF is finding the best care for each patient experiencing bleeding disorders. They also received a Governor's proclamation declaring March Bleeding Disorder Awareness Month!



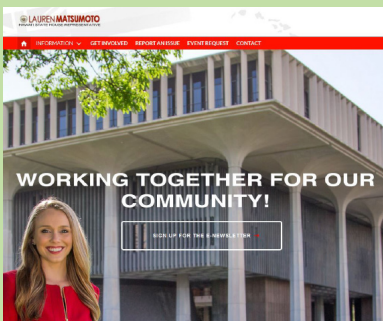
### Rally for Early Childhood Education

'Eleu's Rally for Early Childhood Education is one of my favorite events every year! It's great to get out of the committee room and see hands-on what our keiki are learning in classrooms all across Hawaii. Investing in our children's education from an early age helps lay a foundation that benefits them their entire lives.



I introduced several bills this year to increase access to early childhood education so it was great to see all the passionate community members and their families at the Capitol supporting this important issue. If you want more details about my 2020 bill package, you can view it at [www.RepMatsumoto.com](http://www.RepMatsumoto.com).

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