

Happy New Year!



Aloha Friends and Neighbors!

I hope this past holiday season was restful and full of joy for you and your family! I wanted to share several new bills that went into effect this past year that may impact you and your family.

As we head into the 2023 Legislative Session, please do not hesitate to contact my office with any questions or concerns you may have!

Happy New Year,



Lauren Cheape Matsumoto

Representative Lauren Cheape Matsumoto

2023 New Laws



RELATING TO MAIL THEFT

Creates the offense of theft of mail, which is defined as the intentional and unauthorized removal of a package, bag, or box that was delivered to an address, by someone not living at the address listed.



RELATING TO EDUCATION

Appropriates \$200 million to the School Facilities Authority to expand pre-K access to eligible children of the state.



RELATING TO CHILD PASSENGER RESTRAINTS

Requires children between 2-4 years old to be restrained in a rear or front facing car seat. Requires children between 4-10 years old to be restrained in a child restraint system with a harness or booster.



RELATING TO VETERINARY MEDICINE

Allows veterinarians licensed out of state to get a temporary permit to practice in Hawaii. This helps to relieve the vet shortage in Hawaii. Also allows for Hawaii vets to use telemedicine.



RELATING TO FIREWORKS

Increases the generally applicable statutory fine and the fine for homeowner liability under the Fireworks Control Law from \$2,000 to \$5,000.

For a full list of bills passed in the 2022 legislative session please visit RepMatsumoto.com



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Join us for Opening Day Ceremonies!

Join us at the Hawaii State Capitol on

January 18, 2023, at 10:00 am,

for the opening of the Thirty-Second Legislature of the State of Hawaii. I will be sworn in along with 50 other House Representatives from across our State.

Afterward, please be sure to stop by Room 302 to talk story with me! Come early to find metered parking close by.



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