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## Page 1: Contact Information

**Q1**

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## Page 2: Contest Information

**Q2**

Contest

**State House**

## Page 3: District - State Senate

**Q3**

Senate District

**Respondent skipped this question**

## Page 4: District - State House

**Q4**

House District

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## Page 5: District - Hawai'i County Council

**Q5**

District

**Respondent skipped this question**

Page 6: Residency Area - Maui County Council

**Q6**

**East Maui**

Residency area

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Page 7: District - Honolulu City Council

**Q7**

**Respondent skipped this question**

District

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Page 8: Economic Stability & Kūpuna

**Q8**

Creation of a statewide Paid Family Leave Social Insurance Program, to allow up to 12 weeks of paid leave for employees to provide care for a newborn, bond with a new child, or care for a family member with a serious health condition.

Position

**Strongly Support**

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**Q9**

Allocating funds and other resources to improve access to, quality of, and coverage for home-and-community-based services that support aging in place among older adults.

Position

**Strongly Support**

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**Q10**

Allocating funds and other resources to bolster the capacity of kūpuna-serving programs/organizations by increasing workforce training, education, certification, and career development opportunities.

Position

**Strongly Support**

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**Q11**

Providing/increasing tax credits for out-of-pocket caring costs for unpaid family caregivers of kūpuna and/or those with disabilities.

Position

**Strongly Support**

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**Q12**

**Respondent skipped this question**

Additional thoughts/comments:

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Page 9: Tobacco Regulations

**Q13**

Regulating e-cigarettes in the same manner as how the State regulates other tobacco products, through tax parity, licensing and permitting requirements, and restricting online sales to licensed sellers only, and not directly to consumers.

Position: **Support**

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**Q14**

Ending, without exception, the sale of all tobacco products, such as cigarettes, cigars and e-cigarettes, that contain a characterizing flavor, such as menthol, fruit flavors, and candy flavors.

Position: **Support**

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**Q15**

Authorizing counties to enact stricter restrictions on the sale of and access to tobacco products than what is provided at the state level.

Position: **Support**

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**Q16** **Respondent skipped this question**

Additional thoughts/comments

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Page 10: Healthy Eating and Active Living

**Q17**

Setting Safe Routes to School (SRTS) program benchmarks and decreasing barriers to SRTS programming through the creation of an SRTS Advisory Council within the Department of Transportation.

Position: **Support**

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**Q18**

Enacting a 2 cent-per-ounce fee on sugar-sweetened beverages and using the revenue for community-driven health initiatives.

Position: **Strongly Support**

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**Q19**

Ensuring that every student in Hawai'i at every grade level (PreK-12) has regular access to comprehensive agricultural and nutrition education programs linked to core curriculum (e.g. science, math, language arts).

Position: **Strongly Support**

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**Q20**

Increasing state investment for implementation of the Hawai'i Farm to School Program (Act 175, 2021), including meeting the goal of 30% local school food within the Hawai'i Department of Education by 2030.

Position: **Strongly Support**

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**Q21**

Respondent skipped this question

Additional thoughts/comments:

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Page 11: Oral Health

**Q22**

Investing in dental workforce education programs on Neighbor Islands.

Position: **Strongly Support**

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**Q23**

Allocating funds to the Department of Health to restore an Oral Health Division.

Position: **Strongly Support**

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**Q24**

Expanding student loan forgiveness for dentists that provide care to Medicaid patients.

Position: **Strongly Support**

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**Q25**

Respondent skipped this question

Additional thoughts/comments

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Page 12: Community Health Workforce Development

**Q26**

Establishing a certification process for Community Health Workers.

Position: **Strongly Support**

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**Q27**

Establishing a licensing process for Community Health Workers.

Position: **Strongly Support**

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**Q28**

Incorporating Community Health Workers as a profession into Medicaid services and contracts with the State of Hawai'i.

Position:

**Strongly Support**

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**Q29**

Additional thoughts/comments

There is much we can do to ease the transition from high school to post-secondary education and ultimately into the labor market, and possibly into community healthcare. We may offer stronger advising to high school students about educational and career options. We can provide high school students with an opportunity to get a head start on earning college credits through dual enrollment programs. We can redesign high schools so they better prepare students for both post-secondary education and careers. We can create stronger pathways into the labor market through such initiatives as work-based learning in high school, sector strategies tailored to young adults and apprenticeships; and make reforms within community colleges to increase graduation rates. By many indications, though the job market is starting to roar back, for anxious high school and college seniors it's a different reality altogether; there are also plenty more experienced workers desperate for jobs. Young people need a range of skills, both basic academic skills as well as the ability to apply these skills and knowledge in the workplace. Indications are that far too many young people are inadequately prepared to be successful in the workplace. There are numerous programs which have sprung up around obtaining new skills. A major shift is now the world of technology and computers. Career advancement prospects are limited for workers with low levels of education, and the data are not promising on this front. Young people who have gotten a foothold in the labor market may not see as much need to pursue higher education, especially if they are not in an area with high demand for workers with Bachelor's degrees. Yet this holds back not only their individual progress in the labor market but that of wider regional economies; well-paying jobs requiring higher levels of education are unlikely to locate and grow in places absent people with the skills to fill them. If choices after high school are low-wage work or a post-secondary landscape that is confusing, difficult to navigate, and financially out-of-reach, we are setting young people up for failure.

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Page 13: Alcohol & Cannabis Regulations

**Q30**

Lowering the blood alcohol concentration (BAC) for impaired driving from .08 to .05 BAC.

Position

**Support**

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**Q31**

Enacting a dime-per-drink fee on alcoholic beverages and using the revenue for community-driven health initiatives.

Position

**Strongly Support**

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**Q32**

Housing the regulatory structure of any legalized recreational cannabis program under Department of Health, rather than other agencies, such as the Department of Taxation.

Position

**Strongly Support**

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**Q33**

**Respondent skipped this question**

Additional thoughts/comments

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