

Contact Information

Mahalo for participating in Hawai'i Public Health Institute's 2022 candidate survey. Your participation is valuable in helping our coalitions, partners, and listserv of over 5,000 advocates learn your position on public health issues that are important to them. As a 501(c)(3), Hawai'i Public Health Institute does not endorse or oppose candidates for elected office, and HIPHI will use the information provided in your response for educational purposes only. Please submit your response by June 29, 2022. Responses will be published on hiphi.org and on HIPHI's social media channels in early-to-mid July.

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Contest Information

Please use the drop-down menu to select the office for which you are running.

* Contest

[Governor] Republican Party

District - Hawai'i County Council

District

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Residency Area - Maui County Council

Residency area

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District - State Senate

Senate District

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District - State House

House District

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District - Honolulu City Council

District

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Economic Stability & Kūpuna

Instructions

Please choose the answer -- Strongly Oppose, Oppose, Support, or Strongly Support - that most closely aligns with your position on the following statements and policies. You may choose to elaborate on your positions in the text box at the bottom of the page.

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.

	Strongly Oppose	Oppose	Support	Strongly Support
Position	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>

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.

	Strongly Oppose	Oppose	Support	Strongly Support
Position	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>

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

	Strongly Oppose	Oppose	Support	Strongly Support
Position	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>

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

	Strongly Oppose	Oppose	Support	Strongly Support
Position	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>

Additional thoughts/comments:

None

Healthy Eating and Active Living

Instructions

Please choose the answer -- Strongly Oppose, Oppose, Support, or Strongly Support - that most closely aligns with your position on the following statements and policies. You may choose to elaborate on your positions in the text box at the bottom of the page.

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: Strongly Oppose Oppose Support Strongly Support

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

Position: Strongly Oppose Oppose Support Strongly Support

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 Oppose Oppose Support Strongly Support

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 Oppose Oppose Support Strongly Support

Additional thoughts/comments:

<i>NONE</i>

Tobacco Regulations

Instructions

Please choose the answer -- Strongly Oppose, Oppose, Support, or Strongly Support - that most closely aligns with your position on the following statements and policies. You may choose to elaborate on your positions in the text box at the bottom of the page.

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: Strongly Oppose Oppose Support Strongly Support

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: Strongly Oppose Oppose Support Strongly Support

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

Position: Strongly Oppose Oppose Support Strongly Support

Additional thoughts/comments

None

Community Health Workforce Development

Establishing a certification process for Community Health Workers.

Position: Strongly Oppose Oppose Support Strongly Support

Establishing a licensing process for Community Health Workers.

Position: Strongly Oppose Oppose Support Strongly Support

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

Position: Strongly Oppose Oppose Support Strongly Support

Additional thoughts/comments

None

Oral Health

Instructions

Please choose the answer -- Strongly Oppose, Oppose, Support, or Strongly Support - that most closely aligns with your position on the following statements and policies. You may choose to elaborate on your positions in the text box at the bottom of the page.

Investing in dental workforce education programs on Neighbor Islands.

Position: Strongly Oppose Oppose Support Strongly Support

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

Position: Strongly Oppose Oppose Support Strongly Support

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

Position: Strongly Oppose Oppose Support Strongly Support

Additional thoughts/comments

None

Alcohol & Cannabis Regulations

Instructions

Please choose the answer -- **Strongly Oppose, Oppose, Support, or Strongly Support** - that most closely aligns with your position on the following statements and policies. You may choose to elaborate on your positions in the text box at the bottom of the page.

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

	Strongly Oppose	Oppose	Support	Strongly Support
Position	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>

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

	Strongly Oppose	Oppose	Support	Strongly Support
Position	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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

	Strongly Oppose	Oppose	Support	Strongly Support
Position	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Additional thoughts/comments

None

