Senator J. Kalani English
Majority Leader

The Senate is committed to building a more resilient future for our islands by advancing statewide policy changes and encouraging sustainable partnerships between the public and private sectors. The effects of climate change are upon us now. Together, we can face this uncertain future through the implementation of the 17 United Nations Sustainable Development Goals.

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2020 Senate Legislative Program

Aloha+ CHALLENGE

HAWAI'I GREEN GROWTH
LOCAL 2030

HAWAI'I COMMUNITY FOUNDATION
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SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

We, the Hawai'i State Senate are dedicated to the protection and sustainability of our people, communities, natural resources, and economic prosperity. To this end, we are committed to advancing the **17 United Nations Sustainable Development Goals** as a framework to achieve a prosperous and sustainable Hawai'i.

Hawai'i has established itself as a global leader in addressing sustainability and climate change challenges. The Senate's prioritization of the **Aloha+ Challenge** and the **17 Sustainable Development Goals** has led to policy changes while fostering partnerships between government and organizations including the **Hawai'i Green Growth United Nations Local2030 Hub** and the **Hawai'i Community Foundation's CHANGE Framework,** to promote and enhance a coherent statewide policy for sustainable development. We will continue to work with these partners and the public to improve our communities.

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Our Goals Are Global Goals

The Hawai'i State Senate is committed to furthering eight of the 17 Sustainable Development Goals in the 2020 Legislative Session.

As we enter the second year of the Thirtieth Legislative Biennium, we have an opportunity to build upon the successes of the 2019 Regular Session, as well as pursue new ideas and initiatives. We will further address areas of need in our communities and continue momentum toward a statewide implementation of all 17 Goals.

3 GOOD HEALTH AND WELL-BEING

We will ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at every age by improving access to quality health care, including mental and behavioral health services; reducing youth vaping; and repurposing underutilized state facilities.

4 QUALITY EDUCATION

We will ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all by improving teacher recruitment and retention, strengthening civic education programs, increasing revenue sources to support and enhance secondary education, and expanding career and technical education opportunities to develop a 21st century workforce.

8 DECENT WORK AND ECONOMIC GROWTH

We will promote robust, inclusive, and sustainable economic growth; full and productive employment; and work for all by encouraging job creation and workforce development programs, embracing innovation, and developing sustainable business plans to invest in the future of Hawai'i.

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

10 REDUCED INEQUALITIES

We will work diligently to promote social, economic, and political growth for all by increasing the minimum wage, requiring paid family leave, and creating a retirement savings program.

11 SUSTAINABLE CITIES AND COMMUNITIES

We will continue our commitment to develop inclusive, safe, resilient, and sustainable neighborhoods by increasing access to affordable and transitional housing, reducing homelessness, increasing local food production to promote food security, protecting agricultural lands, improving infrastructure, and investing in modern transportation.

13 CLIMATE ACTION

We will take urgent action to combat climate change and its impacts by promoting carbon neutrality, ocean conservation, sustainable land use, and protection of watersheds.

16 PEACE, JUSTICE AND STRONG INSTITUTIONS

We will promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development; provide access to justice for all; and build effective, accountable, and inclusive institutions at all levels by exploring effective options to restructure government, increase Hawai'i's participation on the international level, enhance public safety, improve social services, expand the Sister State Program, support the State Archives, and increase civic education statewide.

17 PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS

We will continue to strengthen the means of implementation of the 17 United Nations Sustainable Development Goals by encouraging and promoting effective public, private, and civil society partnerships; building on the experience and resourcing strategies of existing partnerships; enhancing a coherent policy for sustainable development; and building on existing initiatives to develop measurements of progress on sustainable development that complement economic goals.