

KOKUA COUNCIL LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES - 2015

The Council will testify and work to generate numbers of supporters to appear and/or testify on behalf of these matters. We will also continue to support issues we have supported in the past.

As part of a network of advocacy organizations and State and county agencies on aging, Kokua Council supports the following advocacy priorities:

- 1. Housing Issues: Homeless, Affordable Housing, Housing First: Lead: Larry Geller
- **2.** Caregiving: Kupuna Care, Training Caregivers: Lead Marilyn Seely
- **3.** Tax Reform to Help low Income People: Lead: Charles Carole
- **4.** Long Term Care Ombudsman Financial support in Basic State Budget: Barbara Service.

PAST KOKUA COUNCIL LEGISLATIVE ISSUES WE MAY CONTINUE TO SUPPORT

The Board of Directors will be examining these issues in light of new information and changing times

Death with Dignity Against legalization of gambling Long Term Care Ombudsman services to Neighbor islands Lowering the cost of Rx drugs Public Funding of elections Pedestrian Safety, Pre-paid Funeral Trusts plans (100% refunding, oversight) UH Center on Aging Grandparents Raising Grandchildren Cash and Counseling Against tax credits as solution to high cost Long Term Care Insurance Improve discharge planning Improve case management services, Licensing of Home Care Agencies Home for life taskforce