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An Office for Your Work at the Capitol

Computers with internet access

prepare (and print) testimony;
research legislative issues; work
on email; monitor news and
legislative broadcasts

Work space – a convenient place to use your laptop (free wireless & charging site); hold small meetings; do paperwork, read, or just take a break

Equipment – photocopier (for testimony and legislative correspondence only); television (monitor broadcasts and hearings); telephone

Reference materials – Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS); Session Laws of Hawaii (SLH); House and Senate Journals; information sheets and guides

Office essentials for use on site – a variety of office supplies are kept on hand – just let a staff member know what you need



Expert Staff to Assist You In person, by phone, or via email

Legislative process – identify, locate and understand measures, actions, procedures and deadlines

"How to" – locate your legislators; offer testimony; track measures; navigate the Legislature's website

Identify resources – statutes; administrative rules; studies and reports; past legislation, acts, and testimony; State offices; Legislative Reference Bureau divisions

PAR Website, Newsletters and Information Sheets – clear,

accessible materials on the legislature and effective participation



Individual & Group Workshops Offered at the Capitol, off-site, or remotely via Zoom

Drop-in workshops – regularly scheduled throughout Session (contact us for times)

Schedule a workshop – as time and logistics permit, at the Capitol or at your groups's meeting site

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