

Daniel Kohikina Akaka

Party: Democratic • **Chamber:** Senate
State: HI
Service: 1977–2013
Most recent Congress: 112

Biography

A Senator and a Representative from Hawaii. Born in Honolulu, Hawaii, September 11, 1924. Attended the public schools of Hawaii. Graduated, Kamehameha School for Boys (high school) 1942. University of Hawaii: B. E. , education 1952. Professional certificate in secondary education 1953. Professional school administrator's certificate 1961. M. E. , education 1966. Served in United States Army 1945-1947. Teacher 1953-1960. Vice principal 1960. Principal 1963-1971, all in Hawaii. Program specialist, Compensatory Education 1968-1971. Director, Hawaii Office of Economic Opportunity 1971-1974. Special assistant, Hawaii Office of the Governor 1975-1976. Elected as a Democrat to the Ninety-fifth and to the six succeeding Congresses and served from January 3, 1977, until May 16, 1990, when he resigned. Appointed to the United States Senate on April 28, 1990, effective May 16, 1990, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Spark Masayuki Matsunaga. Elected by special election on November 6, 1990, as a Democrat to complete the term ending January 3, 1995. Reelected in 1994, 2000, and 2006, and served from May 16, 1990, to January 3, 2013. Chair, Committee on Veterans Affairs (One Hundred Tenth and One Hundred Eleventh Congresses), Committee on Indian Affairs (One Hundred Twelfth Congress). Was not a candidate for reelection to the Senate in 2012. Was a resident of Honolulu, Hawaii, until his death on April 6, 2018. Interment in the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific, Honolulu, Hawaii.

Legislative Activity (1977–2013)

Bills sponsored: 332
Bills cosponsored: 1334

Most Recent Sponsored Bills

Bill	Title	Status / Last Action
112 S 2170	Hatch Act Modernization Act of 2012	Became Public Law No: 112-230. Updated Dec 28, 2012
112 S 1379	D.C. Courts and Public Defender Service Act of 2011	Became Public Law No: 112-229. Updated Dec 28, 2012
112 S 1763	SAVE Native Women Act	Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 579. Updated Dec 27, 2012
112 S 1262	Native Culture, Language, and Access for Success in Schools Act	Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 574. Updated Dec 21, 2012
112 SRES 624	A resolution relative to the death of the Honorable Daniel Ken Inouye, Senator from the State of Hawaii.	Submitted in the Senate, considered, and agreed to without amendment and with a preamble by Unanimou Updated Dec 18, 2012

Most Recent Cosponsored Bills

Bill	Title	Status / Last Action
112 S 1421	A bill to authorize the Peace Corps Commemorative Foundation to establish a commemorative work in the District of Columbia and its environs, and for other purposes.	Held at the desk. Updated Dec 31, 2012
112 S 3193	Barona Band of Mission Indians Land Transfer Clarification Act of 2012	Became Public Law No: 112-232. Updated Dec 28, 2012
112 S 847	Safe Chemicals Act of 2011	Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 578. Updated Dec 27, 2012
112 S 1684	Indian Tribal Energy Development and Self-Determination Act Amendments of 2012	Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 575. Updated Dec 21, 2012
112 S 3698	FOR VETS Act of 2012	Referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform. Updated Dec 20, 2012

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