

ELEVENTH DAY

Monday, February 3, 2020

The House of Representatives of the Thirtieth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2020, convened at 12:04 p.m., with Vice Speaker Nakashima presiding.

The invocation was delivered by Representative Angus L.K. McKelvey, after which the Roll was called showing all members present with the exception of Representative Say, who was excused.

By unanimous consent, reading and approval of the Journal of the House of Representatives of the Tenth Day was deferred.

INTRODUCTIONS

The following introductions were made to the members of the House:

Representative Hashimoto introduced visitors from the County of Maui: Mayor Mike Victorino; Scott Teruya, director, Department of Finance; Marc Takamori, director, Department of Transportation; Rowena Dagdag-Andaya, director, Department of Public Works; and Lauren Armstrong, executive director, Maui Metropolitan Planning Organization.

Representative Kitagawa introduced her children, Maia-Joy and Noah; and her staff, Jennifer Tobara-Honold.

Representative Tamas introduced his cousin, Dan Damm, and his partner, Dawn Holland, who were visiting from Michigan.

ORDER OF THE DAY

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Representative Takumi, for the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 19-20) recommending that H.B. No. 1803, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Representative Belatti moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 1803, HD 1 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Saiki rose to disclose a potential conflict of interest, stating:

"Mr. Speaker, could I declare a potential conflict on SCR 19-20? My wife's title company works with notaries," and the Chair ruled, "no conflict."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1803, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO NOTARIAL ACTS," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary, with Representative Say being excused.

Representative Takumi, for the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 20-20) recommending that H.B. No. 2346, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Representative Belatti moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 2346, HD 1 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative McDermott rose and asked that the Clerk record a no vote for him, and the Chair "so ordered."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2346, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TOBACCO PRODUCTS," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary, with Representative McDermott voting no, and with Representative Say being excused.

Representative Yamane, for the Committee on Water, Land, & Hawaiian Affairs, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 21-20) recommending that H.B. No. 1877, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred jointly to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce and the Committee on Judiciary.

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1877, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LAND RECORDATION," passed Second Reading and was referred jointly to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce and the Committee on Judiciary, with Representative Say being excused.

Representative Johanson, for the Committee on Labor & Public Employment, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 22-20) recommending that H.B. No. 1698, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1698, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COLLECTIVE BARGAINING," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representative Say being excused.

Representative Johanson, for the Committee on Labor & Public Employment, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 23-20) recommending that H.B. No. 2054, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Representative Belatti moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 2054, HD 1 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Cabanilla Arakawa rose and asked that the Clerk record an aye vote with reservations for her, and the Chair "so ordered."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2054, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary, with Representative Cabanilla Arakawa voting aye with reservations, and with Representative Say being excused.

Representative Johanson, for the Committee on Labor & Public Employment, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 24-20) recommending that H.B. No. 1904, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Lower & Higher Education.

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1904, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE UNIFORM EMPLOYEE AND STUDENT ONLINE PRIVACY PROTECTION ACT," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Lower & Higher Education, with Representative Say being excused.

Representative Mizuno, for the Committee on Health, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 25-20) recommending that H.B. No. 1977, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

Representative Belatti moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 1977, HD 1 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Cachola rose to speak in support of the measure, stating:

"In support. This bill relates to addressing physician shortage. We have over 2,000 doctors short here in the State of Hawaii. If we pass this bill, we have the potential of at least producing 20 or even 40 doctors every year. It's an out-of-the-box way of addressing the doctor shortage. I'll be making some more amendments to this bill later on as it moves to the other

committee, and I urge every member of the House to look positively in addressing the doctor shortage and let's vote in support of this bill. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1977, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PHYSICIAN SHORTAGE," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, with Representative Say being excused.

Representative Mizuno, for the Committee on Health, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 26-20) recommending that H.B. No. 1608, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

Representative Belatti moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 1608, HD 1 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Ward rose to speak in opposition to the measure, stating:

"Mr. Speaker, I have a no vote and a brief comment, please. Mr. Speaker, this bill is very well intended. Drug prices are very high, and this is intended to lower those drug prices. The only problem is, it puts the State in the drug business. This is kind of the State of Hawaii drug store bill.

"The difficulty is, is that the State has never demonstrated it is capable of running a business. I repeat, the State has never demonstrated it's capable of running a business. Plus, the suitor of this, the Department of Health, doesn't even want it. They have no interest in managing or contracting this thing, as it is so-worded.

"And I think some on the Floor here will recall that we've had a big debate on the Floor here with our former Representative Marcus Oshiro said, we should start a state bank. But sanity prevailed, Mr. Speaker. We didn't get into the business, and I don't think we should get into this business either. For those reasons, a no vote. Thank you."

Representative Tokioka rose to speak in support of the measure with reservations, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. On the same bill, 26-20, with strong reservations."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1608, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PRESCRIPTION DRUGS," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, with Representative Tokioka voting aye with reservations, with Representative Ward voting no, and with Representative Say being excused.

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS

By unanimous consent, the following concurrent resolution (H.C.R. No. 35) was referred to Printing and further action was deferred:

H.C.R. No. 35, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE GOVERNOR TO CONVENE A BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION TO EXAMINE AND FORMULATE A RECONCILIATION PROCESS RELATING TO ISSUES OF PAST, PRESENT, AND FUTURE IMPORTANCE TO THE NATIVE HAWAIIAN PEOPLE, STATE OF HAWAII, AND UNITED STATES OF AMERICA," was offered by Representative Saiki.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Representative McKelvey, for the Committee on Economic Development & Business and the Committee on Intrastate Commerce, requested a waiver of the 48-hour advanced notice requirement for the purpose of hearing the following measure on Wednesday, February 5, 2020, at 9:00 a.m. in Conference Room 309, and the Chair "so ordered."

H.B. No. 2264, Relating to Broadband Development.

Representative Lowen: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I just wanted to let all the members know, this afternoon there's a presentation by Sir David King, who is a professor emeritus of physical chemistry from Cambridge University. He was the chief science advisor to UK Prime Ministers Tony Blair and Gordon Brown, and he's here to do a presentation about the climate emergency. That's today, at 4:30 p.m. in Room 325."

Representative Quinlan: "Members, 32 years ago today in balmy, sun-drenched Hilo, a handsome and masculine child was born. Today, he is our colleague and the pride of the Vikings. Happy Birthday, Chris Todd."

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

The following measure was referred to committee by the Speaker:

H.C.R. No. Referred to:

35 Jointly to the Committee on Water, Land, & Hawaiian Affairs and the Committee on Finance

COMMITTEE REASSIGNMENTS

The following measures were re-referred to committee by the Speaker:

H.B. Nos. Re-referred to:

1665 Committee on Agriculture, then jointly to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce and the Committee on Judiciary, then to the Committee on Finance

1694 Jointly to the Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection and the Committee on Lower & Higher Education, then to the Committee on Finance

1843 Committee on Health, then jointly to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce and the Committee on Judiciary, then to the Committee on Finance

2127 Committee on Judiciary, then to the Committee on Finance

2141 Committee on Human Services & Homelessness, then jointly to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce and the Committee on Judiciary, then to the Committee on Finance

2264 Jointly to the Committee on Economic Development & Business and the Committee on Intrastate Commerce, then to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, then to the Committee on Finance

2711 Jointly to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce and the Committee on Judiciary, then to the Committee on Finance

H.C.R. No. Re-referred to:

35 Committee on Water, Land, & Hawaiian Affairs

ADJOURNMENT

At 12:15 p.m., on motion by Representative Morikawa, seconded by Representative Matsumoto and carried, the House of Representatives adjourned until noon tomorrow, Tuesday, February 4, 2020. (Representatives Hashem, Saiki, and Say were excused.)