

THIRTY-THIRD DAY

Monday, March 16, 2020

The House of Representatives of the Thirtieth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2020, convened at 12:02 p.m., with Speaker Saiki presiding.

The invocation was delivered by Master Noah Hashem, after which the Roll was called showing all members present with the exception of Representatives Thielen and Yamane, who were excused.

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

SENATE COMMUNICATIONS

The following communication from the Senate (Sen. Com. No. 526) was received and announced by the Clerk:

Sen. Com. No. 526, transmitting H.B. No. 2661, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS TO PROVIDE FOR THE EXPENSES OF THE LEGISLATURE, THE AUDITOR, THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU, THE OMBUDSMAN, AND THE ETHICS COMMISSION," which passed Third Reading in the Senate on March 13, 2020.

At 12:06 p.m., the Chair declared a recess subject to the call of the Chair.

The House of Representatives reconvened at 12:56 p.m.

SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR #1

SENATE COMMUNICATIONS

The following communication from the Senate (Sen. Com. No. 527) was received and announced by the Clerk:

Sen. Com. No. 527, transmitting S.C.R. No. 242, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE RECESS OF THE THIRTIETH LEGISLATURE, REGULAR SESSION OF 2020," which was adopted by the Senate on March 16, 2020.

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, S.C.R. No. 242 was adopted, with Representatives Cabanilla Arakawa, Holt, Thielen, and Yamane being excused.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Representative Quinlan: "Mr. Speaker, I just want to remind all the members of the Lower & Higher Education Committee and the Health Committee that this afternoon's reso hearings are all cancelled. Thank you."

Representative Ward: "Mr. Speaker, I've been informed that tomorrow's fellowship luncheon and thereafter heretofore will be postponed indefinitely. Thank you."

COMMITTEE REASSIGNMENTS

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

H.R.
No.

Re-referred to:

69 Committee on Transportation, then to the Committee on Finance

H.C.R.
Nos.

Re-referred to:

46 Committee on Public Safety, Veterans, & Military Affairs

88 Committee on Transportation, then to the Committee on Finance

S.B.
Nos.

Re-referred to:

1431, SD2, HD1 Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection, then to the Committee on Finance

2180, SD2 Committee on Judiciary, then to the Committee on Finance

2468, SD2 Committee on Labor & Public Employment, then to the Committee on Finance

2527, SD2 Jointly to the Committee on Economic Development & Business and the Committee on Intrastate Commerce, then to the Committee on Finance

2696, SD2, HD1 Committee on Tourism & International Affairs, then to the Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection, then to the Committee on Finance

ADJOURNMENT

At 12:57 p.m., on motion by Representative Morikawa, seconded by Representative Matsumoto and carried, the House of Representatives adjourned pursuant to S.C.R. No. 242. (Representatives Cabanilla Arakawa, Holt, Thielen, and Yamane were excused.)

HOUSE COMMUNICATIONS

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MEMORANDUM

TO: All House Members and Staff

FROM: Speaker Scott K. Saiki /s/

RE: Temporary Suspension of Hearings and Floor Sessions

House and Senate Leadership have met and agreed to temporarily suspend all public hearings and floor sessions effective Tuesday, March 17, 2020. This action conforms with the recommendations of the Hawaii State Department of Health and the Federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to practice social distancing by avoiding public events and large gatherings.

In light of the current situation's changing nature, the suspension will be until further notice, subject to written call by the President and Speaker. Once it is determined that hearings and floor sessions may resume, a revised legislative timetable will be released. Until then, all lateral and decking deadlines are also suspended.

The Legislature will remain open during the suspension and other operations are expected to continue. Working guidelines will be issued as soon as practicable.

Thank you very much for your cooperation and understanding during this extraordinary time. If you have any questions, please contact my office.

cc: Legislative Reference Bureau
Office of the Ombudsman
Office of the Auditor
Ethics Commission"