

FIFTY-THIRD DAY

Friday, July 10, 2020

The House of Representatives of the Thirtieth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2020, convened at 11:16 a.m., with Speaker Saiki presiding.

The invocation was delivered by Representative Joy A. San Buenaventura, after which the Roll was called showing all members present, with Representatives Creagan, Matayoshi, Perruso, and Todd participating remotely via videoconference, and with the exception of Representatives Ohno and Say, who were excused.

On motion by Representative Morikawa, seconded by Representative Matsumoto and carried, reading of the Journal was dispensed with and the Journals of the Forty-Second, Forty-Third, Forty-Fourth, Forty-Fifth, Forty-Sixth, and Forty-Seventh Days were approved. (Representatives Ohno and Say were excused.)

SENATE COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications from the Senate (Sen. Com. Nos. 616 through 630) were received and announced by the Clerk:

Sen. Com. No. 616, transmitting S.C.R. No. 24, SD 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SALE OF THE LEASED FEE INTEREST IN 41-613 INOAOLE STREET, WAIMANALO, HAWAII," which was adopted by the Senate on July 8, 2020.

Sen. Com. No. 617, transmitting S.C.R. No. 25, SD 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SALE OF THE LEASED FEE INTEREST IN 95-033 KUAHELANI AVENUE, NO. 133, MILILANI, HAWAII," which was adopted by the Senate on July 8, 2020.

Sen. Com. No. 618, transmitting S.C.R. No. 26, SD 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION APPROVING THE SALE OF THE LEASED FEE INTEREST IN 94-942 MEHEULA PARKWAY, NO. 244, MILILANI, HAWAII," which was adopted by the Senate on July 8, 2020.

Sen. Com. No. 619, transmitting S.C.R. No. 27, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A TERM, NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT COVERING A PORTION OF STATE SUBMERGED LANDS AT KAALAWAI, HONOLULU, OAHU, FOR THE EXISTING SEAWALL, AND FOR USE, REPAIR, AND MAINTENANCE OF THE EXISTING IMPROVEMENTS CONSTRUCTED THEREON," which was adopted by the Senate on July 8, 2020.

Sen. Com. No. 620, transmitting S.C.R. No. 28, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A TERM, NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT COVERING A PORTION OF STATE SUBMERGED LANDS AT WAIMANALO, KOOLAUPOKO, OAHU, FOR THE EXISTING PIER, SEAWALL, AND STEPS, AND FOR USE, REPAIR, AND MAINTENANCE OF THE EXISTING IMPROVEMENTS CONSTRUCTED THEREON," which was adopted by the Senate on July 8, 2020.

Sen. Com. No. 621, transmitting S.C.R. No. 29, SD 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A TERM, NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT COVERING A PORTION OF STATE SUBMERGED LANDS AT KANEOHE, KOOLAUPOKO, OAHU, FOR THE EXISTING PIER, AND FOR USE, REPAIR, AND MAINTENANCE OF THE EXISTING IMPROVEMENTS CONSTRUCTED THEREON," which was adopted by the Senate on July 8, 2020.

Sen. Com. No. 622, transmitting S.C.R. No. 30, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A PERPETUAL, NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT COVERING A PORTION OF STATE SUBMERGED LANDS AT MAUNALUA,

HONOLULU, OAHU, FOR THE EXISTING STORM DRAIN, AND FOR USE, REPAIR, AND MAINTENANCE OF THE EXISTING IMPROVEMENTS CONSTRUCTED THEREON," which was adopted by the Senate on July 8, 2020.

Sen. Com. No. 623, transmitting S.C.R. No. 31, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A PERPETUAL, NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT COVERING A PORTION OF STATE SUBMERGED LANDS AT KANEOHE, KOOLAUPOKO, OAHU, FOR THE EXISTING STORM DRAIN, AND FOR USE, REPAIR, AND MAINTENANCE OF THE EXISTING IMPROVEMENTS CONSTRUCTED THEREON," which was adopted by the Senate on July 8, 2020.

Sen. Com. No. 624, transmitting S.C.R. No. 32, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A TERM, NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT COVERING A PORTION OF STATE SUBMERGED LANDS AT NAPILI 2 AND 3, LAHAINA, MAUI, FOR AN EXISTING WALKWAY, AND FOR USE, REPAIR, AND MAINTENANCE OF THE EXISTING IMPROVEMENTS CONSTRUCTED THEREON," which was adopted by the Senate on July 8, 2020.

Sen. Com. No. 625, transmitting S.C.R. No. 33, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A TERM, NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENTS COVERING PORTIONS OF STATE SUBMERGED LANDS AT WAIHOULI-KEOKEA, WAILUKU, MAUI, FOR THE EXISTING SEAWALL, AND FOR THE USE, MAINTENANCE, AND REPAIR OF THE EXISTING IMPROVEMENTS CONSTRUCTED THEREON," which was adopted by the Senate on July 8, 2020.

Sen. Com. No. 626, transmitting S.C.R. No. 34, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A TERM, NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT COVERING A PORTION OF STATE SUBMERGED LANDS AT WAIHOULI-KEOKEA HOMESTEADS, KIHAI, MAUI, FOR THE EXISTING SEAWALL, ROCK REVETMENT, AND CONCRETE STEPS, AND FOR USE, REPAIR, AND MAINTENANCE OF THE EXISTING IMPROVEMENTS CONSTRUCTED THEREON," which was adopted by the Senate on July 8, 2020.

Sen. Com. No. 627, transmitting S.C.R. No. 35, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A TERM, NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT COVERING A PORTION OF STATE SUBMERGED LANDS AT WAIHOULI-KEOKEA HOMESTEADS AND BEACH LOTS, KIHAI, MAUI, FOR THE EXISTING SEAWALL AND ROCK REVETMENT, AND FOR USE, REPAIR, AND MAINTENANCE OF THE EXISTING IMPROVEMENTS CONSTRUCTED THEREON," which was adopted by the Senate on July 8, 2020.

Sen. Com. No. 628, transmitting S.C.R. No. 141, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A TERM, NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT COVERING A PORTION OF STATE SUBMERGED LANDS FOR A RUBBLE ROCK REVETMENT, ROCK WALL, AND TWO CONCRETE STAIRWAYS, AND FOR USE, MAINTENANCE, REPAIR, REPLACEMENT, AND REMOVAL OF THE EXISTING IMPROVEMENTS CONSTRUCTED THEREON," which was adopted by the Senate on July 8, 2020.

Sen. Com. No. 629, dated July 8, 2020, informing the House that the Senate has disagreed to the amendments proposed by the House to the following Senate Bills:

S.B. No. 2329, SD 2, HD 3
S.B. No. 2561, HD 1

Sen. Com. No. 630, dated July 8, 2020, informing the House that the Senate has on July 6, 2020, agreed to the amendments proposed by the House to the following Senate Bills and that said bills have this day passed Final Reading:

S.B. No. 2877, SD 1, HD 2
 S.B. No. 2878, HD 2
 S.B. No. 3054, SD 2, HD 1
 S.B. No. 2701, HD 2

DEPARTMENTAL COMMUNICATIONS

The following departmental communications (Dept. Com. Nos. 461 through 492) were received by the Clerk and were placed on file:

Dept. Com. No. 461, from the Public Utilities Commission, dated April 27, 2020, transmitting the Hawaii Gas 2019 Renewable Energy Report, pursuant to Section 269-45, HRS.

Dept. Com. No. 462, from the University of Hawaii System, dated April 29, 2020, transmitting a Positions Report, pursuant to Act 5, Section 42, SLH 2019.

Dept. Com. No. 463, from the University of Hawaii System, dated April 29, 2020, transmitting the Semi-Annual Report on Hawaii Cancer Research Special Fund, pursuant to Section 304A-2168, HRS.

Dept. Com. No. 464, from the Office of Enterprise Technology Services, dated May 5, 2020, transmitting the DLIR Disability Compensation Division's Modernization Project – Electronic Case Management System Monthly On-Site IV&V Review Report March 27, 2020, pursuant to Section 27-43.6, HRS.

Dept. Com. No. 465, from the University of Hawaii System, dated May 5, 2020, transmitting a Positions Report, pursuant to Act 5, Section 42, SLH 2019.

Dept. Com. No. 466, from the Office of the Auditor, dated May 7, 2020, transmitting Report No. 20-05, COVID-19 Special Projects, Report on General Excise Tax Exemptions Suspended in FY2012-FY2013, pursuant to Article VII, Section 10, Hawaii State Constitution.

Dept. Com. No. 467, from the Office of the Auditor, dated May 7, 2020, transmitting Report No. 20-06, COVID-19 Special Projects, Report on Special and Revolving Fund Accounts with Inactive or Excess Balances, pursuant to Article VII, Section 10, Hawaii State Constitution.

Dept. Com. No. 468, from the Office of the Auditor, dated May 7, 2020, transmitting Report No. 20-07, COVID-19 Special Projects, Report on Potential Available State Moneys Identified in Prior Audit Reports, pursuant to Article VII, Section 10, Hawaii State Constitution.

Dept. Com. No. 469, from the Office of Enterprise Technology Services, dated May 8, 2020, transmitting the Time & Leave Project, Phase II of the HawaiiPay project, Department of Accounting and General Services IV&V Monthly Status Report – Final for Reporting Period: March 1 - 31, 2020, pursuant to Section 27-43.6, HRS.

Dept. Com. No. 470, from the University of Hawaii System, dated May 12, 2020, transmitting a Positions Report, pursuant to Act 5, Section 42, SLH 2019.

Dept. Com. No. 471, from the Office of Enterprise Technology Services, dated May 15, 2020, transmitting the Hawaii Department of Human Services Systems Modernization Project Final IV&V Status Report for Reporting Period: April 1 - 30, 2020, pursuant to Section 27-43.6, HRS.

Dept. Com. No. 472, from the Office of the Auditor, dated May 19, 2020, transmitting Report No. 20-08, COVID-19 Special Projects, Supplement to Report No. 20-06, Report on Special and Revolving Fund Accounts with Inactive or Excess Balances, pursuant to Article VII, Section 10, Hawaii State Constitution.

Dept. Com. No. 473, from the University of Hawaii System, dated May 19, 2020, transmitting a Positions Report, pursuant to Act 5, Section 42, SLH 2019.

Dept. Com. No. 474, from the University of Hawaii System, dated May 26, 2020, transmitting a Positions Report, pursuant to Act 5, Section 42, SLH 2019.

Dept. Com. No. 475, from the Department of Education, dated June 1, 2020, transmitting the Status on the Plan for the Reopening of Schools in Fall 2020, pursuant to S.R. No. 144, SD 1 (2020).

Dept. Com. No. 476, from the Office of Enterprise Technology Services, dated June 3, 2020, transmitting the DLIR Disability Compensation Division's Modernization Project – Electronic Case Management System Monthly On-Site IV&V Review Report April 24, 2020, pursuant to Section 27-43.6, HRS.

Dept. Com. No. 477, from the Office of the Auditor, dated June 10, 2020, transmitting the Financial and Compliance Audit of the Department of Health, pursuant to Chapter 23, HRS.

Dept. Com. No. 478, from the University of Hawaii System, dated June 10, 2020, transmitting a Positions Report, pursuant to Act 5, Section 42, SLH 2019.

Dept. Com. No. 479, from the Office of the Auditor, dated June 17, 2020, transmitting the Financial and Compliance Audit of the Department of the Attorney General, pursuant to Chapter 23, HRS.

Dept. Com. No. 480, from the Department of Business, Economic Development & Tourism, dated June 12, 2020, transmitting a notification of a new federally funded position for the Hawaii Technology Development Corporation, pursuant to Act 5, Section 42, SLH 2019.

Dept. Com. No. 481, from the Office of Enterprise Technology Services, dated June 19, 2020, transmitting the Time & Leave Project, Phase II of the HawaiiPay project, Department of Accounting and General Services IV&V Monthly Status Report – Final for Reporting Period: April 1 - 30, 2020, pursuant to Section 27-43.6, HRS.

Dept. Com. No. 482, from the Office of Enterprise Technology Services, dated June 19, 2020, transmitting the Hawaii BHA Integrated Case Management System Project – Phase 3 Final IV&V Report for the period of April 1 – April 30, 2020, pursuant to Section 27-43.6, HRS.

Dept. Com. No. 483, from the Office of Enterprise Technology Services, dated June 19, 2020, transmitting the Hawaii BHA Integrated Case Management System Project – Phase 3 Final IV&V Report for the period of May 1 – May 31, 2020, pursuant to Section 27-43.6, HRS.

Dept. Com. No. 484, from the Office of Enterprise Technology Services, dated June 19, 2020, transmitting the Hawaii Department of Human Services Systems Modernization Project Final IV&V Status Report for Reporting Period: May 1 - 31, 2020, pursuant to Section 27-43.6, HRS.

Dept. Com. No. 485, from the University of Hawaii System, dated June 23, 2020, transmitting a Positions Report, pursuant to Act 5, Section 42, SLH 2019.

Dept. Com. No. 486, from the Office of the Auditor, dated June 25, 2020, transmitting Report No. 20-09, Review of General Excise and Use Tax Exemptions and Exclusions, pursuant to Section 23-71 et seq., HRS.

Dept. Com. No. 487, from the Office of the County Clerk, County of Maui, dated March 16, 2020, transmitting Resolution No. 20-22, which was adopted by the Council of the County of Maui on March 13, 2020.

Dept. Com. No. 488, from the Honolulu Police Department, dated January 13, 2020, transmitting the report concerning electric guns in the custody and control of the HPD and their use during the past year, pursuant to Section 134-16(d), HRS.

Dept. Com. No. 489, from the Maui Police Department, dated January 27, 2020, transmitting the Legislature Disciplinary Report, pursuant to Act 242, SLH 2017.

Dept. Com. No. 490, from the Maui Police Department, dated January 27, 2020, transmitting information relating to possession and use of electric guns, pursuant to HRS 134-16.

Dept. Com. No. 491, from the Office of the County Clerk, County of Maui, dated March 16, 2020, transmitting Resolution No. 20-23, which was adopted by the Council of the County of Maui on March 13, 2020.

Dept. Com. No. 492, from the Office of the County Clerk, County of Maui, dated March 16, 2020, transmitting Resolution No. 20-24, which was adopted by the Council of the County of Maui on March 13, 2020.

ORDER OF THE DAY

FINAL READING

At this time, the Chair stated:

"Members, we're on item 5, this is final reading. Before we take up the motion, a couple of items. First, on page 1, House Bill No. 917, HD 1, SD 1 is deferred to the end of calendar. And also, on page 4, House Bill No. 1902, HD 2, SD 2, and House Bill No. 2002, HD 2, SD 2, are both deferred to the end of calendar."

H.B. No. 917, HD 1, SD 1:

By unanimous consent, action was deferred to the end of the calendar.

H.B. No. 1902, HD 2, SD 2:

By unanimous consent, action was deferred to the end of the calendar.

H.B. No. 2002, HD 2, SD 2:

By unanimous consent, action was deferred to the end of the calendar.

SUSPENSION OF RULES

On motion by Representative Morikawa, seconded by Representative Matsumoto and carried, the rules were suspended for the purpose of considering certain House Bills for Final Reading by consent calendar. (Representative Ohno was excused.)

FINAL READING

Representative Belatti moved to agree to the amendments made by the Senate to the following House Bills, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried: (Representative Ohno was excused.)

H.B. No. 1346, HD 2, (SD 2)
 H.B. No. 1352, HD 2, (SD 1)
 H.B. No. 1523, HD 1, (SD 2)
 H.B. No. 1620, HD 2, (SD 2)
 H.B. No. 1637, HD 1, (SD 2)
 H.B. No. 1659, HD 3, (SD 1)
 H.B. No. 1661, HD 3, (SD 2)
 H.B. No. 1673, HD 1, (SD 1)
 H.B. No. 1676, HD 1, (SD 2)
 H.B. No. 1678, HD 1, (SD 1)
 H.B. No. 1854, HD 1, (SD 1)
 H.B. No. 1929, HD 2, (SD 2)
 H.B. No. 1942, HD 2, (SD 2)
 H.B. No. 1978, HD 1, (SD 1)
 H.B. No. 2043, HD 2, (SD 2)
 H.B. No. 2054, HD 1, (SD 1)
 H.B. No. 2060, HD 1, (SD 1)
 H.B. No. 2097, HD 2, (SD 2)
 H.B. No. 2124, HD 1, (SD 2)
 H.B. No. 2125, HD 2, (SD 1)
 H.B. No. 2148, HD 1, (SD 1)
 H.B. No. 2162, HD 2, (SD 1)
 H.B. No. 2183, HD 2, (SD 2)
 H.B. No. 2202, HD 1, (SD 1)
 H.B. No. 2340, HD 2, (SD 1)
 H.B. No. 2350, HD 2, (SD 1)
 H.B. No. 2425, HD 1, (SD 1)
 H.B. No. 2543, HD 1, (SD 2)
 H.B. No. 2590, HD 2, (SD 2)

H.B. No. 2750, HD 2, (SD 2)

H.B. No. 1346, HD 2, SD 2:

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 1346, HD 2, SD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes, with Representative Ohno being excused.

H.B. No. 1352, HD 2, SD 1:

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 1352, HD 2, SD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL OPERATING BUDGET," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes, with Representative Ohno being excused.

H.B. No. 1523, HD 1, SD 2:

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 1523, HD 1, SD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION BUDGET," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes, with Representative Ohno being excused.

H.B. No. 1620, HD 2, SD 2:

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 1620, HD 2, SD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE ADMINISTRATION OF JUSTICE," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes, with Representative Ohno being excused.

H.B. No. 1637, HD 1, SD 2:

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 1637, HD 1, SD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes, with Representative Ohno being excused.

H.B. No. 1659, HD 3, SD 1:

Representative Belatti moved that H.B. No. 1659, HD 3, SD 1 pass Final Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative McDermott rose, stating:

"Mr. Speaker, I have an amendment to offer."

At 11:24 a.m., the Chair declared a recess subject to the call of the Chair.

The House of Representatives reconvened at 11:32 a.m.

At this time, Representative McDermott offered Floor Amendment No. 5, amending H.B. No. 1659, HD 3, SD 1, as follows:

SECTION 1. House Bill No. 1659, H.D.3 S.D. 1, is amended by amending Section 3 by deleting its contents and replacing it with the following:

"SECTION 3. Chapter 325, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated and to read as follows:

"§325- Communicable or dangerous diseases, screening, treatment, and isolation. (a) Upon entry to the State, all persons may be required to submit to a screening for communicable or dangerous diseases as deemed appropriate by the department. The diseases screened for shall include those deemed a public health and safety risk by the department at the time of the screening. If the department deems it necessary for the public health, treatment, quarantine, and isolation may be required, at the expense of the person entering the State.

(b) Every person traveling to Hawaii shall be tested for novel coronavirus, known as COVID-19, no more than seventy-two hours

prior to departure and provide documentation of a negative test result upon arrival in the state.

(1) Any person unable or unwilling to be tested or provide documentation of a negative test result upon arrival shall have the option of being tested and quarantined until they receive a negative result or undergo a mandatory fourteen-day quarantine.

(a) Persons required to undergo the fourteen-day quarantine shall be transported to a designated location within the state.

(b) The National Guard shall assist in the implementation and monitoring of the state's mandatory quarantine for all incoming travelers.

(c) The department of health and department of transportation shall develop and implement COVID-19 testing procedures at the airports.

(2) All incoming travelers shall receive a temperature check upon arrival. The department of health and department of transportation shall develop and implement procedures for temperature checks.

(3) All incoming travelers shall be required to complete a mandatory travel declaration form and the department of agriculture plant and animals declaration form pursuant to HRS §150A.

(4) The department of health is authorized to implement procedures to conduct contact tracing deemed necessary to trace and monitor contacts of individuals infected with COVID-19.

(a) The department of health shall take all reasonable and necessary steps to ensure that individuals' rights to privacy are not violated.

(b) Nothing in this section shall be construed to supersede any state or federal privacy or confidentiality requirement.

(5) The department of health shall amend its testing criteria for COVID-19 to include, but not limited to, the following.

(a) First responders.

(b) Law enforcement officers.

(c) Health care workers.

(d) Residents of nursing homes and care homes.

(e) People at high risk or residing in high risk areas.

(f) Asymptomatic people who may have been exposed or require proof of a negative test for travel, as a condition of employment, or other instances where documentation of a negative test is requested.

(g) No physician's order shall be required for those in the above categories to obtain a COVID-19 test."

(6) All visitor industry employees shall be tested for COVID-19 once per week.

(7) All airline and travel-related employees shall be tested prior to departure."

SECTION 2. House Bill No. 1659, H.D.31 S.D. 1, is amended by amending section 4 by deleting its contents and replacing it with the following:

"SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed and stricken. New statutory material is underscored."

SECTION 3. House Bill No. 1659, H.D.31 S.D. 1, is amended by amending section 5 by deleting its contents and replacing it with the following:

"SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect upon its approval provided that the new section 325_ shall be repealed on December 31, 2020 or when the governor removes the proclamation requiring mandatory quarantine for travelers, whichever occurs earlier."

Representative McDermott moved that Floor Amendment No. 5 be adopted, seconded by Representative Ward.

Representative McDermott rose to speak in support of the proposed floor amendment, stating:

"Mr. Speaker, I would like to say I rise in support, but I'm going to sit in support. Mr. Speaker, I want to thank you for your leadership during this

session and these very surreal times, I want to thank the Finance Chair for all she's done with her team, and the Majority Leader for being so very collaborative with the minority and keeping us up to speed.

"This is, I would like to say a friendly amendment, I know it's not going to pass. But what we wanted to do here was to get on the record under the title of health. I'd like to turn everyone's attention to page 1 of the amendment, at the very bottom, part b. Every person traveling to Hawaii shall be tested for the coronavirus, known as COVID-19, no more than 72 hours prior to departure and get a negative test result prior to their arrival in the state. Any person unwilling to be tested will provide documentation of a negative test result upon arrival, and if they get here and they don't have it they'll be quarantined until they receive a negative test result and undergo a mandatory 14-day quarantine.

"Mr. Speaker, this would be a real quarantine. And if I go to 1.b, the National Guard shall run it, they'll assist. They would not be armed in our vision, but they would monitor. And this would be a real quarantine for all travelers. But this would include local, returning visitors, and everyone coming into our state.

"Number c, the Department of Health and Transportation shall develop and implement COVID-19 testing procedures at the airports. Number 2, all incoming travelers would receive a temperature check upon arrival. The Department of Health and Department of Transportation shall develop and implement procedures. Number 3, all incoming travelers shall be required to complete a mandatory travel declaration form pursuant to HRS 150A. Number 4, the Department of Health will implement procedures to conduct contact tracing deemed necessary to trace and monitor contacts of individuals with COVID-19.

"Mr. Speaker, we've just seen in recent days that the Department of Health is pushing back on the contact tracing, saying they can't do it, they don't want to do it, despite the money that the Finance Chair has appropriated them and their ability to hire up to 500 people.

"Four a, the Department of Health shall take all reasonable and necessary steps to ensure that individuals' rights and privacy are not violated. Nothing in this section shall be construed to supersede any state or federal privacy confidentiality requirement. The Department of Health shall amend its testing criteria for COVID-19 to include, but not limited to, first responders, law enforcement, health care workers, residents of nursing homes, people at high risk in high risk areas, asymptomatic people, people exposed or require proof of a negative test to travel as a condition of employment or other instances where document of a negative test is required. Bear with me, Mr. Speaker, I'm almost done. No physician's order is required in the above categories to get a COVID-19 test.

"Mr. Speaker, number 6, all visitor industry employees shall be tested for COVID-19 once a week. We have forgotten the safety of the employees in the visitor industry, hotels, rental cars, airlines. No one has talked about them, but they're on the frontlines, exposed to these incoming viral loads of COVID every day. All airline and travel-related employees shall be tested prior to departure.

"Mr. Speaker, the reason I offer this amendment is basically a framework of the COVID plan that we presented to your committee, the COVID-19 House committee on May 17th. May 21st, I think we presented it to you, we released it May 17th. The reason this amendment is offered is because it's not directed at the legislative branch, but rather the executive branch, who has yet to develop a plan that I have seen. I've seen a lot of talk about plans, but I have seen no plan.

"We are putting this in the record as a plan, a framework for a departure point for discussions so the executive branch can move and get our state back on track. It's not the Legislature who's at fault here, Mr. Speaker. This is directed at the executive branch, which in my view has no singular command and control structure in place to execute this. We're three weeks out from the August 1st date. It can be done. But in my view, you have to put the National Guard in charge, led by General Hara, as a command and control structure, and implement this framework, and Hawaii can be open for business.

"Mr. Speaker, I'll close with this. I want to thank you for allowing me to introduce this amendment and giving me the leeway to do it. As a courtesy and gift to the members, I will speak no more today. Thank you."

Representative Ward rose to speak in support of the proposed floor amendment, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise in strong support, and hopefully can speak to the silenced gentleman from Ewa Beach, and it's been a pleasure working with him on this. Mr. Speaker, the usual former mantra is, if we build it, they will come. No, they won't. If we open our economy, they will come. No, they won't. If it's safe in Hawaii, they will come. Mr. Speaker, that's what this bill is about. Codifying, if you will, the testing and the COVID-19 pretravel assurance that when people arrive, you'll have a COVID-free plane and a COVID-free visitor."

"Mr. Speaker, this actually turns a health bill into an economic development bill. Because, Mr. Speaker, a lot of people are hurting, we've gotta open the economy, and we have to open it safely, watching over lives as well as the livelihood."

"What the McDermott-Ward plan does, which was called Making Hawaii Safe to Travel, two firsts, as the good Representative from Ewa Beach said. This is the first time anybody has put it in writing, Mr. Speaker. You can't have a plan on the back of an envelope. You can't have it stovepipe, the way the state's doing it. This was the first plan to say, hey we can do it and here it is in writing."

"Second thing this was the first was, this cleared the way for Hawaii from the White House directly to the state saying, hey you guys want to do this, you can do it. Now we were a little bit slow on the uptake. Alaska took it and run with it. They said, yeah, we're gonna test. They are testing. Their economy is opening. It's slowly occurring. So, Mr. Speaker, this is an amendment to help Hawaii get back on its feet by being safe for the health of the people of Hawaii, but also for the long run, economic development."

"For those reasons, Mr. Speaker, thank you for allowing the rules, thank you for the attorney who said, yeah let's hear it, let's go on with it and let's have a vote, but it's for the people of Hawaii. Thank you, sir."

Representative Belatti rose to speak in opposition to the proposed floor amendment, stating:

"In opposition, Mr. Speaker. Quite simply, while I agree with some of it, this is not something that we should rush in this manner. I do believe that we do have good people in all of state government working on reopening our economy and that this is not needed. This reeks of House Bill 2502, which we have tabled. And for that reason, I oppose this motion. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

Representative Ward rose to respond, stating:

"Mr. Speaker, just a correction for the record, still in support. What this amendment does is codifies for this body, the state, the House, and the Senate to go on record that, hey governor, all that we're gonna do now is under your 60-day or otherwise mandate. This allows us in the Legislature to take and say our role and take precedence, if you will, for the long run because it becomes codified."

"So, to say that it's not needed is saying, well it may be short-lived. And hopefully the virus will be thrown on the ash heap of history rather soon. But until then, we need this kind of economic development codifying testing in order to proceed down the line after the governor's mandates have expired. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

Representative Belatti rose to respond, stating:

"Quick rebuttal, two points. First of all, at a time when we are finding that testing worldwide is being stymied because of the many infections all over the country, this is not something that we should mandate because then it would take away needed resources from our community. And secondly, anything coming from the institution who the previous speaker said vetted this, I would much rather take the leadership of the state people here to guide our plans in reopening Hawaii. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

The motion that Floor Amendment No. 5, amending H.B. No. 1659, HD 3, SD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH," be adopted, was put to vote by the Chair and upon a voice vote, failed to carry, with Representatives Aquino, Hashem, and Ohno being excused.

(Main Motion)

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and H.B. No. 1659, HD 3, SD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes, with Representative Ohno being excused.

H.B. No. 1661, HD 3, SD 2:

Representative Belatti moved that H.B. No. 1661, HD 3, SD 2 pass Final Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

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

"Mr. Speaker, in strong support with request to insert written comments."

Representative Belatti's written remarks are as follows:

"I rise in strong support of House Bill 1661, Senate Draft 2."

"Because of the collaboration and commitment of the Department of Health, the Judiciary, and community stakeholders over the 2019 interim to better coordinate care for those persons experiencing substance abuse, mental health conditions, and homelessness, this bill, in tandem with House Bill 1620, Senate Draft 2, fundamentally and positively restructures the way that the behavioral healthcare system and the criminal justice system work together. Far too often, we see those suffering from mental illness or substance abuse living in homelessness and despair in our communities, cycling through the jails, courts, and criminal justice system."

"By codifying a definition for a behavioral health crisis center and clarifying the process of what happens when a person is taken either to a psychiatric facility or a crisis center for an emergency examination or emergency hospitalization, House Bill 1661 supports a more streamlined process for evaluating people who are suffering from a mental health crisis and getting them to the appropriate treatment facilities where they can be properly stabilized, cared for, and treated. By better transitioning people to lower, more appropriate levels of care, House Bill 1661 eases the burden on Hawaii's hospital emergency departments that are often the first stop for those suffering from a mental health or substance abuse crisis."

"In addition to the funding increases provided to the Department of Health in this year's budget to support community-based stabilization beds, House Bills 1661 and 1620 have the potential to transform the lives of those who suffer from severe mental illness and/or life-wrecking substance abuse issues so that they can lead better lives. For these reasons, I strongly support House Bill 1661, Senate Draft 2."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and H.B. No. 1661, HD 3, SD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes, with Representative Ohno being excused.

H.B. No. 1673, HD 1, SD 1:

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 1673, HD 1, SD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE STATE ETHICS CODE," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes, with Representative Ohno being excused.

H.B. No. 1676, HD 1, SD 2:

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 1676, HD 1, SD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HIGHWAY SAFETY," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes, with Representative Ohno being excused.

H.B. No. 1678, HD 1, SD 1:

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 1678, HD 1, SD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MUSICAL PERFORMANCES," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes, with Representative Ohno being excused.

H.B. No. 1854, HD 1, SD 1:

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 1854, HD 1, SD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LITTLE FIRE ANTS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes, with Representative Ohno being excused.

H.B. No. 1929, HD 2, SD 2:

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 1929, HD 2, SD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes, with Representative Ohno being excused.

H.B. No. 1942, HD 2, SD 2:

Representative Belatti moved that H.B. No. 1942, HD 2, SD 2 pass Final Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Ichiyama rose in support of the measure and asked that her written remarks be inserted in the Journal, and the Chair "so ordered."

Representative Ichiyama's written remarks are as follows:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker, for the opportunity to submit written remarks in support of HB 1942. I support this measure because it will increase the number of mandatory reporters of child abuse by creating three new categories: (1) members of the clergy, (2) commercial computer technicians, and (3) commercial film and photographic print or image processors.

"The vast majority of states, 43 in total, include members of the clergy as mandatory reporters of child abuse. Clergy are uniquely positioned in their role in our communities to see signs of child abuse and neglect and to make sure that families get the help that they need. During the hearings on HB 1942, the question arose of whether the clergy-penitent privilege should apply to mandatory reporting requirements. I have deep respect for the position of the Department of Human Services, Child Welfare Services, and their objection to inclusion of the privilege. I agree wholeheartedly that whenever any person receives notice or information of child abuse of any kind, it should be reported immediately, subject to privilege or not. A society is measured by how it treats its most vulnerable members, children the most of all. We all bear the burden of the long-term impacts of child abuse, either directly or indirectly, through our prisons, healthcare system, substance abuse treatment, homelessness, mental health, and so many others.

"At the same time, I also recognize the concerns of my colleagues regarding the constitutional right to practice sincerely held religious beliefs, including the practice of confession. For that reason, HB 1942 includes a narrowly tailored exemption for 'penitential communications,' as defined in the measure. This exemption was based on the California statute and intentionally does not refer to Rule 506, Hawaii Rules of Evidence (clergy privilege) because Rule 506 protects any communication to a clergy member as a spiritual advisor. Thus, the evidentiary privilege under Rule 506 is broader than just 'penitential communications' because it can include any 'spiritual advice.' Also, to prevent abuse of the exemption, it does not apply if a clergy member receives information about child abuse or neglect from any other source, in addition to a penitential communication. In those situations, the clergy member would be required to report to authorities any information received outside of the penitential communication.

"It is my hope that one day, a future legislature can re-examine the penitential communication exemption and determine that it is no longer necessary.

"Finally, HB 1942 adds two additional categories of mandatory reporters: commercial computer technicians, and commercial film and photographic print or image processors. This is in order to keep up with the way that child abuse is now perpetuated – online and in photographs. Predators have

moved to the internet, with its anonymity and 'dark web' capabilities. We need to empower and train Geek Squad team members and Costco photo technicians, among others, to report child abuse when they see it. For all of these reasons, I am in support of HB 1942. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and H.B. No. 1942, HD 2, SD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CHILD ABUSE REPORTING," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes, with Representative Ohno being excused.

H.B. No. 1978, HD 1, SD 1:

Representative Belatti moved that H.B. No. 1978, HD 1, SD 1 pass Final Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

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

"Mr. Speaker, in strong support, request to insert written comments."

Representative Belatti's written remarks are as follows:

"I rise in strong support of House Bill 1978, Senate Draft 1, a bill that has been supported and championed by our legislative Filipino Caucus and numerous advocates for social justice throughout our island state.

"House Bill 1978 aligns Hawaii's Family Court jurisdiction with the federal Special Immigrant Juvenile Status program, and allows Hawaii residents access to the full protections of the federal law. This bill protects young immigrants who have suffered abuse, neglect, or abandonment, and affords them a pathway to stay in a country that welcomes immigrants so that they can lead productive and happy lives. This bill will immediately provide relief and protection to members of our community who are or have been students in our public schools, workers and employees, and neighbors in our community. For these reasons, and because this bill assists some of the most vulnerable in our state, I strongly support passage of House Bill 1978, Senate Draft 1."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and H.B. No. 1978, HD 1, SD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SPECIAL IMMIGRANT JUVENILE STATUS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes, with Representative Ohno being excused.

At 11:43 a.m., Representative Ward requested a recess and the Chair declared a recess subject to the call of the Chair.

The House of Representatives reconvened at 11:44 a.m.

At 11:45 a.m. the Chair noted that the following bills passed Final Reading:

H.B. No. 1346, HD 2, SD 2
H.B. No. 1352, HD 2, SD 1
H.B. No. 1523, HD 1, SD 2
H.B. No. 1620, HD 2, SD 2
H.B. No. 1637, HD 1, SD 2
H.B. No. 1659, HD 3, SD 1
H.B. No. 1661, HD 3, SD 2
H.B. No. 1673, HD 1, SD 1
H.B. No. 1676, HD 1, SD 2
H.B. No. 1678, HD 1, SD 1
H.B. No. 1854, HD 1, SD 1
H.B. No. 1929, HD 2, SD 2
H.B. No. 1942, HD 2, SD 2
H.B. No. 1978, HD 1, SD 1

H.B. No. 2043, HD 2, SD 2:

Representative Belatti moved that H.B. No. 2043, HD 2, SD 2 pass Final Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

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

Representative Perruso 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 H.B. No. 2043, HD 2, SD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ADOLESCENT MENTAL HEALTH CARE," passed Final Reading by a vote of 46 ayes to 4 noes, with Representatives Okimoto and Perruso voting aye with reservations, with Representatives Kong, Matsumoto, McDermott, and Ward voting no, and with Representative Ohno being excused.

H.B. No. 2054, HD 1, SD 1:

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 2054, HD 1, SD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes, with Representative Ohno being excused.

H.B. No. 2060, HD 1, SD 1:

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 2060, HD 1, SD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DOMESTIC ABUSE," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes, with Representative Ohno being excused.

H.B. No. 2097, HD 2, SD 2:

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 2097, HD 2, SD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MEDICAL CANNABIS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 47 ayes to 3 noes, with Representatives Kong, Okimoto, and Ward voting no, and with Representative Ohno being excused.

H.B. No. 2124, HD 1, SD 2:

Representative Belatti moved that H.B. No. 2124, HD 1, SD 2 pass Final Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

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

"Mr. Speaker, may I request a ruling on a potential conflict? My spouse is one of those employees who may be potentially affected by this measure," and the Chair ruled, "no conflict."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and H.B. No. 2124, HD 1, SD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE CODE OF ETHICS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes, with Representative Ohno being excused.

H.B. No. 2125, HD 2, SD 1:

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 2125, HD 2, SD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE STATE ETHICS CODE," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes, with Representative Ohno being excused.

H.B. No. 2148, HD 1, SD 1:

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 2148, HD 1, SD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FAMILY LEAVE," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes, with Representative Ohno being excused.

H.B. No. 2162, HD 2, SD 1:

Representative Belatti moved that H.B. No. 2162, HD 2, SD 1 pass Final Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

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

"Mr. Speaker, a comment without necessarily saying what my vote is, other than with reservations because of the picky nature of how we are setting towing fees. On the next page, we're going to let the department set fees for their fines in the labor or HIOSH area. I still for the life of me can't imagine the State Legislature setting towing fees. And because of that, I will keep making the query because I can't see the logic, are we down at the micro when we've got an economy going to hell in a handbasket and we're

doing this discussion about towing fees. It just doesn't make sense. Thank you."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and H.B. No. 2162, HD 2, SD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TOWING," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes, with Representative Ward voting aye with reservations, and with Representative Ohno being excused.

H.B. No. 2183, HD 2, SD 2:

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 2183, HD 2, SD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HOUSING LOAN AND MORTGAGE PROGRAM," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes, with Representative Ohno being excused.

H.B. No. 2202, HD 1, SD 1:

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 2202, HD 1, SD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CEMETERIES," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes, with Representative Ohno being excused.

H.B. No. 2340, HD 2, SD 1:

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 2340, HD 2, SD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DEAD BODIES," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes, with Representative Ohno being excused.

H.B. No. 2350, HD 2, SD 1:

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 2350, HD 2, SD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes, with Representative Ohno being excused.

H.B. No. 2425, HD 1, SD 1:

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 2425, HD 1, SD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DOMESTIC ABUSE," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes, with Representative Ohno being excused.

H.B. No. 2543, HD 1, SD 2:

Representative Belatti moved that H.B. No. 2543, HD 1, SD 2 pass Final Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

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

Representative Takumi rose in support of the measure with reservations and asked that his written remarks be inserted in the Journal, and the Chair "so ordered."

Representative Takumi's written remarks are as follows:

"Mr. Speaker, I rise in support with reservations. First off, I support expanding childcare, but our dollars would be far better spent on high quality preschool.

"But, frankly, even if this bill was to expand public preschool to capture 100% of eligible 3- and 4-year-old children within the next 10 years, I would still have reservations. We are looking at spending on a yearly basis hundreds of millions of general fund dollars.

"This is unlikely to happen. Why? We just have to look around.

"We cannot expect additional billions of dollars from the federal government. We must assume that the need for UI, rental assistance, food security, and small business assistance will go beyond the end of the year which is what we have budgeted for.

"Indeed, I predict the need will be even greater for several reasons.

1. The recent court settlement regarding our failure to manage the land trust. This will be in the hundreds of millions of dollars.
2. Continuing layoffs. We recently heard about hundreds of local jobs in the airline industry being cut in the coming months. Analysts for the airline industry are saying it will be at least until 2023 until passenger capacity reaches 2019 levels.
3. Imminent foreclosures. There will potentially be thousands of foreclosures as people can no longer pay their mortgages.
4. Increased mental health. Whenever there's an economic downturn, the need for mental health services increase.
5. The economic forecast for the state. We are looking at a \$2.3 billion deficit over the next two years and some say this is too low. And this deficit is predicted to grow in subsequent years.

"Then there's the bill itself. There are a number of problems, but I will speak to two. First, the language delineating the responsibilities of the Department of Human Services and the Executive Office on Early Learning is ambiguous, conflicting, and will lead to confusion and inefficiencies.

"Second, the proposal to site programs at the public libraries has not had the necessary due diligence. Childcare facilities require unique infrastructure that most libraries do not have. For example, there should be a fence around the facility and procedures to ensure only authorized people have access. The restrooms need to be size appropriate and not comingled with the restrooms used by library patrons. There should be a playground area that most libraries do not have adjacent to their property. It does not seem that an inventory has been done to see where it is possible to build a facility, how much it will cost to retrofit the site, and who will be responsible for the maintenance.

"In summary, we should err on the side of caution and, unfortunately, this initiative, however worthy, is throwing caution to the wind."

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

"Strong support."

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

"Mr. Speaker, I stand in opposition to this bill. It remains in it's essentially the same form, so my initial objections remain. I wanted to remind the members that first, Preschool Open Doors is a childcare program, not an educational program. So, this measure doesn't advance early learning in the state, but it does expand access to childcare, which is fine, but it's important to understand the distinction.

"Furthermore, the proposed preschool grant program special fund continues to circumvent the State Constitution, which prohibits public funds from being spent on private educational programs. So, grants that are extended to this program can't be used to subsidize costs at private early learning programs without violating the State Constitution. Which again, limits the scope of this bill to childcare. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

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

"Mr. Speaker, in strong support, request to insert written comments, brief remarks. Mr. Speaker, this bill represents the work of the community. This bill represents the work of many of our members in this building. This bill represents the fact that we can, even during a time of pandemic, move important things that will have life changing effects on the people of this state at a time when childcare, or early education, call it what you will, there is very little difference in my mind, will do much to advance our state. Thanks, Mr. Speaker."

Representative Belatti's written remarks are as follows:

"I rise in strong support of House Bill 2543, Senate Draft 2.

"Despite the challenges of dealing with COVID-19, this bill represents the good work that can be done when community stakeholders and lawmakers persevere and remain dedicated to a common goal. With passage of this bill,

lawmakers deliver on their commitment to future generations that all of Hawaii's *keiki* will have access to early learning opportunities.

"By codifying the goal of 100% access to early learning for 3- and 4-year-olds over the next 12 years, we collectively set an ambitious path ahead of ourselves, but the pieces are in place to get to that goal. By working in partnership, Hawaii's Department of Human Services, the Executive Office on Early Learning, the Department of Education, and the State Public Charter School Commission, have the breadth and ability to touch and improve the lives of all of Hawaii's children. Private partners and community stakeholders stand ready to help deliver the learning opportunities contemplated by this bill, including partners within Hawaii's public library system and the State's Hawaiian language immersion community. And all agree that quality early learning experiences will improve the lives and prospects of the children who have access to these experiences. Because this bill establishes a framework for truly delivering on promises of early learning for all, I strongly support House Bill 2543, Senate Draft 2."

Representative Woodson rose to respond, stating:

"Mr. Speaker, in support, brief comments. Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This proposal is one of two initiatives that we are considering from the initial joint package. Specifically, this bill will provide access to early learning opportunities across this great state over a certain period of time.

"Mr. Speaker, once we started this session, we asked the question, what are some of the most significant cost drivers facing our families? And, in fact, it was identified that preschools and daycares were in fact the second highest cost, only second to the cost of housing. And so, by considering this proposal, Mr. Speaker, we are saying that we are in this together, as a state, and we want to help support our families. And that is especially true now that we find ourselves in this post-COVID era.

"And when I say that although this bill does not have any state funding currently because of the financial situation that we find ourselves in, we were approached by several non-profit agencies and entities and individuals saying that, we want to help, we still want to contribute to this cause. And so, we have assurances from several organizations, non-profit and others, stating that they want to donate to this initiative. And that's somewhere to the magnitude of several millions of dollars that they want to put into this cause now. And so, that's one good reason to push this bill forward.

"Another reason, Mr. Speaker, it was stated that this bill is unconstitutional, but if you take a look at the proposal, it does stay within the constructs of HRS 343, which is Preschool Open Doors. That has been ruled to be very constitutional. And we used that language to build out the constructs of expanding some options of early learning opportunities across the State of Hawaii.

"And so, Mr. Speaker, this bill is not only important because it will afford families over time the opportunity to have their kids have a chance to be ready for kindergarten, which is important, it also affords our families the opportunity to help address their financial situations, as many of us are hurting in this time of need. And so, for this reason and others, Mr. Speaker, I stand in support of this proposal."

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

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. In support with a commendation to the majority. Promises made, promises kept. One of the things that we started the session with many, many months ago was to do this very thing. So, congratulations to all on this floor. Thank you."

Representative Takumi rose to respond, stating:

"Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. Still with reservations. And I do appreciate the comments made by the Education Chair. I, frankly, think he's doing a wonderful job, much better than the previous education chair, I might add.

"But I'd be remiss if I didn't say, we did hear that the private sector is willing to pony up some money. If you want to capture all eligible 3- and 4-year-olds in 10 years, it's going to cost hundreds of millions of dollars. So,

I'd be curious to know whether or not the private sector is going to make a commitment to those kinds of dollars on a sustained basis.

"Secondly, I've also heard that we made promises at the beginning of session, five months ago, that this would be an issue we are going to take up. Frankly, Mr. Speaker, we made a promise to increase the minimum wage, and that is not going to happen, obviously.

"Third, we know that bills that we pass this session with the money we got from the Federal Government, which we cannot anticipate getting again by next year, that what we dealt with, with the unemployment insurance, with food security, with rental assistance, and so on, those critical needs are not going to disappear by the end of this year. It will continue into next year and in subsequent years. We recently read in the paper that the airline industry is laying off hundreds of jobs locally. We can anticipate foreclosures. We can anticipate increased needs for mental health services. Because we all know, when the economy goes bad, the demand for mental health services increases.

"Again, I'm not opposed to increasing access to childcare. And it's not a semantical difference between preschool and childcare, there is a real difference. So, if we really want to have our children get ready for kindergarten, they really should be in a high quality preschool setting. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

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

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. In strong support. The reason why this bill must pass is getting the early learning community together and having them agree to maybe 70% or higher is really difficult. If it was easy, then it would have been done 10 years ago, it would have been done 20 years ago, it would have been done 30 years ago.

"When we first looked at doing a comprehensive commitment to providing early learning for our 3- and 4-year-olds, I spoke to the Governor and the Governor said, hey you know when I was in the Legislature, Charlie Toguchi said, hey you know what, by year 2000 we're going to provide early learning to all 3- and 4-year-olds. And so he said, this is something that we've been talking about forever, and every legislature, every governor have failed to do it. And so, we cannot let a pandemic, and we cannot let something that is going to be temporary stand in the way of doing what we should have done 20, 30 years ago, which is to provide access to learning to all 3- and 4-year-olds.

"There's a reason why certain sections are called childcare. It's because under DHS and DHS Open Doors, which certifies childcare facilities, that is the way that you certify childcare facility is the statutory definition. But it doesn't mean they provide childcare and it doesn't mean that they provide any type of sub-educational service.

"So, for instance, let me give you a list of certified childcare under DHS's definition. St Clement's, DHS certified childcare, Central Union, DHS certified childcare. I forget what those other schools are, those are the ones that come into mind. Nuuanu congregation, they have a premier early learning education. And I don't think any of us can dispute that some of these childcare, defined as childcare under DHS definition, is not premiere excellent preschool, it's just they cannot call it preschool because it jeopardizes some of the funding by the Federal Government. And just because it's technically defined as childcare, there is no question in people's realistic mind, these are not childcare facilities.

"And the bottom line is, this is really a school choice. Because a lot of parents and those who have 3- and 4-year-olds, they may not want to send their kids to a specific school-type setting. Because when you look at 3-year-olds, some people may not want their kid to be in a structured educational setting, they may want kind of a social setting, it depends on the type of early learning that kids need.

"And the whole thing is, we want kids to be ready. That doesn't mean we expect kids to know all their alphabets. We don't expect every kid to know how to count. We don't expect every kid to be able to add or subtract. But we expect kids, when they go into kindergarten, to sit and listen to teachers. We expect students who are entering kindergarten to be able to follow directions. A lot of those things are done through socialization.

"And so, when we talk about early learning, we're not asking parents to make sure that they're ready at a certain academic standard, we're asking them to be early learning school ready. And this is what the bill does. And we want all 3- and 4-year-olds to have access. Fifty percent of our 3- and 4-year-olds right now don't even have access. And they cannot even afford to pay for any type of service, they cannot even afford to do that. This, thanks to the philanthropic support, we'll find the way and the means to provide every 3- and 4-year-old the access to have that opportunity. Thank you very much."

Representative Perruso rose to respond, stating:

"Mr. Speaker, thank you. I appreciate the comments of my colleagues. Still in opposition. While I honor and respect the work that has gone into this legislation, especially on the part of the Chair of Lower & Higher Education, I also think it's important to point out, just for the record, that standardized assessment for young children entering kindergarten will just increase the DOE's focus on standardized testing and curriculum at a time when school districts around the country, including our own, are actively trying to replace standardized testing with more authentic assessments.

"Also, COVID-19 has completely disrupted the standardized testing regime in numerous states, including Hawaii. So, asking the DOE to come up with an additional standardized assessment takes attention away from what I would consider to be more pressing issues, like helping schools manage COVID-19.

"I also wanted to point out, just to be clear, that DHS does not have the educational expertise to manage early learning benchmarks. So, EOEL and DOE do. Last year the Legislature had a fantastic debate about who should have the authority over early learning programing, and the Legislature decided that EOEL had the expertise to manage statewide pre-K programing. If that was the Legislature's decision a year ago, I'm curious about why we are now taking the position that a less qualified, and some would argue unqualified department, should be tasked with managing early learning programs.

"So, these are some of my concerns. I just wanted to make sure that they were on the record and we had a robust discussion. *Mahalo*."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and H.B. No. 2543, HD 1, SD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ACCESS TO LEARNING," passed Final Reading by a vote of 49 ayes to 1 no, with Representatives Okimoto and Takumi voting aye with reservations, with Representative Perruso voting no, and with Representative Ohno being excused.

H.B. No. 2590, HD 2, SD 2:

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 2590, HD 2, SD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AUTONOMOUS VEHICLES," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes, with Representative Ohno being excused.

H.B. No. 2750, HD 2, SD 2:

Representative Belatti moved that H.B. No. 2750, HD 2, SD 2 pass Final Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

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

At 12:03 p.m., Representative Tokioka requested a recess and the Chair declared a recess subject to the call of the Chair.

The House of Representatives reconvened at 12:05 p.m.

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and H.B. No. 2750, HD 2, SD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MONETARY OBLIGATIONS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes, with Representative Okimoto voting aye with reservations, and with Representative Ohno being excused.

At 12:07 p.m. the Chair noted that the following bills passed Final Reading:

H.B. No. 2043, HD 2, SD 2
 H.B. No. 2054, HD 1, SD 1
 H.B. No. 2060, HD 1, SD 1
 H.B. No. 2097, HD 2, SD 2
 H.B. No. 2124, HD 1, SD 2
 H.B. No. 2125, HD 2, SD 1
 H.B. No. 2148, HD 1, SD 1
 H.B. No. 2162, HD 2, SD 1
 H.B. No. 2183, HD 2, SD 2
 H.B. No. 2202, HD 1, SD 1
 H.B. No. 2340, HD 2, SD 1
 H.B. No. 2350, HD 2, SD 1
 H.B. No. 2425, HD 1, SD 1
 H.B. No. 2543, HD 1, SD 2
 H.B. No. 2590, HD 2, SD 2
 H.B. No. 2750, HD 2, SD 2

At 12:07 p.m., the Chair declared a recess subject to the call of the Chair.

The House of Representatives reconvened at 12:16 p.m.

SUSPENSION OF RULES

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the rules were suspended for the purpose of reconsidering action previously taken in disagreeing to amendments made by the Senate to certain House Bills. (Representatives Cabanilla Arakawa, Har, Hashem, Holt, Nakashima, Ohno, and Quinlan were excused.)

RECONSIDERATION OF ACTION TAKEN

Representative Belatti moved that the House reconsider its action previously taken in disagreeing to the amendments made by the Senate to the following House Bills, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried: (Representatives Har, Hashem, Holt, Ohno, and Quinlan were excused.)

H.B. No. 1698, HD 1, (SD 1)
 H.B. No. 1819, HD 2, (SD 3)
 H.B. No. 1846, HD 2, (SD 2)
 H.B. No. 1912, HD 1, (SD 1)
 H.B. No. 2486, HD 2, (SD 2)
 H.B. No. 2744, HD 1, (SD 2)

FINAL READING

Representative Belatti moved to agree to the amendments made by the Senate to the following House Bills, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried: (Representatives Har, Holt, Ohno, and Quinlan were excused.)

H.B. No. 1698, HD 1, (SD 1)
 H.B. No. 1819, HD 2, (SD 3)
 H.B. No. 1846, HD 2, (SD 2)
 H.B. No. 1912, HD 1, (SD 1)
 H.B. No. 2486, HD 2, (SD 2)
 H.B. No. 2744, HD 1, (SD 2)

H.B. No. 1698, HD 1, SD 1:

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 1698, HD 1, SD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COLLECTIVE BARGAINING," passed Final Reading by a vote of 49 ayes, with Representatives Har and Ohno being excused.

H.B. No. 1819, HD 2, SD 3:

Representative Belatti moved that H.B. No. 1819, HD 2, SD 3 pass Final Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

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

"Mr. Speaker, I'm rising with a reluctant aye on the bill. Maybe that's a new category, instead of WR we'll have RA. Mr. Speaker, I first would like to thank the Vice Speaker for taking the lead on House Bill 1819, a bill that would have helped farmers throughout our islands. And I'd like to commend the Chair of Agriculture, my colleague who is now on Zoom, for putting together a really strong bill that would help our farmers grow hemp in the islands and make that product available here for construction, for keeping ag lands green, for doing all the 25,000 wonderful things this plant does, none of which, by the way, will get you high.

"Well, our good bill went over to the Senate, and the Senate ag chair and committee gutted it. And what they did was they made it a control over CBD oil. Well fine, I'm mean if they're paranoid about that, then fine. But the only thing that they did do that's good, and that's why I'm voting an aye on it, they said they are going to leave it up to the federal Department of Agriculture to put together our state plan for hemp.

"And the reason that's good is that we have a reluctant and negative local Department of Agriculture that treats hemp still as a problem crop and a drug, and the federal US Department of Agriculture is encouraging hemp farming throughout the nation, they're very pro-hemp. So, they will put together a plan that truly will help our farmers. So, because the bill has that in it, I can vote aye on it. But I certainly want to give my thanks to the Vice Speaker and the Chair of Ag for all the hard work that they did to do something that would have been good for our farmers. Now we will wait for the US Department of Ag to come in with a good plan and our farmers will be able to grow hemp. So, hemp, hemp, hooray. Thank you."

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

"Mr. Speaker, in support. And kudos to leadership for bringing this bill forward. The timeliness and the significance of it and the meaning of it, particularly to an individual from Kailua, is not unseen. And to know that her remarks, if I may ask to be inserted into the Journal as if they were my own. Thank you," and the Chair "so ordered." (By reference only.)

Representative Creagan rose in support of the measure and asked that the remarks of Representative Thielen be entered into the Journal as his own, and the Chair "so ordered." (By reference only.)

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and H.B. No. 1819, HD 2, SD 3, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEMP," passed Final Reading by a vote of 49 ayes, with Representatives Har and Ohno being excused.

H.B. No. 1846, HD 2, SD 2:

Representative Belatti moved that H.B. No. 1846, HD 2, SD 2 pass Final Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

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

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. In support and just some brief comments. Energy efficiency is the most cost-effective way to reduce emissions associated with electricity generation and consumption, and energy used to power buildings accounts for over 50% of the electricity consumed in the state, making energy efficiency retrofits in large buildings the low hanging fruit of efficiency.

"However, despite Hawaii's goals of reaching 100% renewable energy, the State has still not undertaken improvements for increased efficiency of its own facilities, amounting to millions of dollars in potential savings that are lost. It's important for the State to lead by example by taking advantage of energy savings opportunities in its own facilities.

"In the wake of COVID-19 and with our current focus on recovery through economic diversification and resilience, it's more important than ever to elevate Hawaii's clean energy and efficiency sectors. According to a survey conducted recently by Hawaii Energy, the pandemic has resulted in over 1,900 lost jobs in the energy efficiency sector, a 38% decline. Undertaking the needed work of implementing energy efficiency measures in state facilities was identified as a top action that could be taken to create jobs and put people back to work. In addition, it will lower the utility bills

of state buildings, saving money for the State and reducing emissions that contribute to climate change to boot.

"This bill, House Bill 1846, mandates that all state facilities over 10,000 square feet shall implement cost-effective energy efficiency measures by 2022. And the best way to do this is through the use of performance contracts, which will cost the State nothing up front, will guarantee savings, and is the most efficient way to accomplish the work.

"We heard some concerns from DOE testimony that this is an unfunded mandate, and I want to address that upfront right now because I think that these concerns will likely be raised when we send this up to the governor as well. I think this concern fundamentally demonstrates a lack of understanding of performance contracting, as well as a belief that is not borne out by past performance, that DOE or DAGS has capacity or expertise to undertake this work and maintain it at lower cost and to do it right.

"In fact, what we have seen time and again is that the State is not yet at the point where they can do this themselves more efficiently. And one spectacular example of this was the famously bungled effort around installations of air conditioning in schools.

"This bill pushes agencies towards using the tool of performance contracts to undertake this work, because that is the better, more cost-effective way to achieve the best results at the lowest cost, and could be a way to address not only the bare minimum of efficiency measures mandated by this bill, but to realize savings beyond the minimum and potentially to undertake efficiency related deferred maintenance projects in a more cost-effective way as well.

"So, although it is true that if an agency did not want to utilize performance contracting, it may mean some upfront costs before savings are realized. There is also not a justifiable reason that an agency wouldn't choose to use this innovative tool, and the resistance to it seems to be based more on discomfort with doing something differently than the way it's always been done in the past. And as elected officials, it's our job to lead, not to give into resistance to change in a desire to keep doing things in the same old way when we know we can do better.

"In the meantime, by undertaking this work now instead of delaying until next session, we will be creating jobs when they are most needed and taking taxpayer dollars that would have been spent on utility bills and to pay for imported oil, and putting all those dollars back into the local economy instead and into jobs in the local construction industry and energy efficiency sector.

"This bill also ensures that new construction will have efficiency measures built in to the design process by mandating that new construction should maximize energy and water efficiency, energy generation, and the use of low carbon footprint building materials where feasible and cost effective.

"In summary, this is one of the most important jobs bills outside of the CARES Act spending plan that we are passing this session. And it also costs the State nothing upfront and is a climate mitigation measure. If there is any bill this session that encompasses the ideals of a Green New Deal, this is that bill. And for that reason, Mr. Speaker, I'm in strong support."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and H.B. No. 1846, HD 2, SD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ENERGY EFFICIENCY," passed Final Reading by a vote of 48 ayes to 1 no, with Representative Kong voting no, and with Representatives Har and Ohno being excused.

H.B. No. 1912, HD 1, SD 1:

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 1912, HD 1, SD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE PACIFIC INTERNATIONAL SPACE CENTER FOR EXPLORATION SYSTEMS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 49 ayes, with Representatives Har and Ohno being excused.

H.B. No. 2486, HD 2, SD 2:

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 2486, HD 2, SD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR

AN ACT RELATING TO THE OFFICE OF PLANNING," passed Final Reading by a vote of 49 ayes, with Representatives Har and Ohno being excused.

H.B. No. 2744, HD 1, SD 2:

Representative Belatti moved that H.B. No. 2744, HD 1, SD 2 pass Final Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Tokioka rose in support of the measure with reservations and asked that his written remarks be inserted in the Journal, and the Chair "so ordered."

Representative Tokioka's written remarks are as follows:

"Mr. Speaker, we often say in this state, 'We have the strictest gun laws in the county,' and we do. At some point, being too strict crosses the line into abuse, and to me that's what this bill is to responsible gun owners. Abuse."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and H.B. No. 2744, HD 1, SD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO GUN VIOLENCE PREVENTION," passed Final Reading by a vote of 41 ayes to 8 noes, with Representative Tokioka voting aye with reservations, with Representatives DeCoite, Eli, Kong, Matsumoto, McDermott, Okimoto, Say, and Ward voting no, and with Representatives Har and Ohno being excused.

At 12:28 p.m., the Chair declared a recess subject to the call of the Chair.

The House of Representatives reconvened at 12:57 p.m.

At 12:57 p.m., Representative Morikawa requested a recess and the Chair declared a recess subject to the call of the Chair.

The House of Representatives reconvened at 12:58 p.m.

At 12:59 p.m. the Chair noted that the following bills passed Final Reading:

H.B. No. 1698, HD 1, SD 1
H.B. No. 1819, HD 2, SD 3
H.B. No. 1846, HD 2, SD 2
H.B. No. 1912, HD 1, SD 1
H.B. No. 2486, HD 2, SD 2
H.B. No. 2744, HD 1, SD 2

END OF CALENDAR

FINAL READING

At this time, the Chair stated:

"Members, please note that the following measures will be deferred one legislative day. This is from page 1 of the Order of the Day, House Bill No. 917, HD 1, SD 1. And on page 4, House Bill No. 1902, HD 2, SD 2, and House Bill No. 2002, HD 2, SD 2. All three of those measures are deferred one legislative day."

H.B. No. 917, HD 1, SD 1:

By unanimous consent, action was deferred one legislative day.

H.B. No. 1902, HD 2, SD 2:

By unanimous consent, action was deferred one legislative day.

H.B. No. 2002, HD 2, SD 2:

By unanimous consent, action was deferred one legislative day.

Representative Ward rose, stating:

"Mr. Speaker, point of information. Did you say one legislative day? And today is *sine die*. So, we're going to come back for a special session for one bill or are you just doing a way of saying it's dead without saying it's dead?"

Speaker Saiki: "Yes, that's correct."

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS

The following resolutions (H.R. Nos. 189 and 190) were announced by the Clerk and the following action taken:

H.R. No. 189, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND EMPOWERING THE SPEAKER TO PERFORM AND CARRY OUT ANY OFFICIAL LEGISLATIVE BUSINESS DURING THE INTERIM BETWEEN THE 2020 AND 2021 REGULAR SESSIONS," was jointly offered by Representatives Belatti and Ward.

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Ward and carried, H.R. No. 189 was adopted, with Representatives Har and Ohno being excused.

H.R. No. 190, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION INFORMING THE SENATE AND THE GOVERNOR THAT THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES IS READY TO ADJOURN SINE DIE," was jointly offered by Representatives Saiki and Nakashima.

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Ward and carried, H.R. No. 190 was adopted, with Representatives Har and Ohno being excused.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

At this time, the Chair stated:

"We would like to take a few minutes to recognize six of our House members who will be leaving us in November. We'd like to allow them some time to offer some remarks, since this is the last day of our regular session."

At this time, the Chair recognized Representative Joy San Buenaventura, Class of 2014, who has served the residents of Puna for the past six years and has chaired the Committee on Human Services & Homelessness for the last two years, and who was presented with a certificate by Representative Brower on behalf of the Members of the House.

Representative San Buenaventura: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. So, a couple of days ago Representative Ohno, who wasn't here, as well as Representative Lowen asked me how I felt about leaving the House. And I have to admit, it is bittersweet, as I have made many friends here. And I don't think I've made any enemies. Especially in a body of 51, that is unusual. But I really appreciate you all, even Minority Leader who I always tangled with.

"So, when Majority Leader told me I had three minutes to say my piece, I mean, that's basically one minute per term, I decided it's my last day, I'm going to spill the beans on one secret that occurred in my freshman year. I came in 2014 with Representative Kong, Representative DeCoite. And anybody who has that photo array, that is an unusual year, because you'll see that there are 52 representatives in that year. Following year, even with Representative Tsuji being elected a 10th time, it was still 51. But, that year we had 52.

"So, that year also, I was very fortunate that I was chosen to be one of the conference committee co-chairs of a ground-breaking bill, the medical marijuana dispensary bill. And I was very fortunate that lead chair, now Majority Leader, allowed me, now that I think about it, really what is unthinkable for a freshman, she allowed me to be part of the negotiations. She allowed me to be with her when she negotiated with the attorney general, with the Speaker, with Senate lead conferees. And I saw that she made compromises that she wasn't sure about, but she wanted to ensure the passage of the bill and for the bill not to be vetoed.

"I was allowed to also see her breaking point. On the very last day of conference, when bills on life support either lived or died, lead conference chair walked out. On that last day, and I knew that was very difficult for her, because even before I was elected, I remember seeing Majority Leader go to the Big Island with her advocates, pushing this, causing the creation of the dispensaries. So, I knew it was her baby.

"But never underestimate Majority Leader. Because with that one move of her walking out, she set off a chain reaction in the Senate that led to the ousting of the Senate President and new conferee assignments. That's when I learned that a dead conference bill on the very last day can be resurrected at 8:00 p.m. that night whenever there's a change in leadership.

"So, when Representative Kobayashi says that the House sets policy, that's a prime example. And hopefully when I become a senator in November, I know never to turn my back on this House leadership because you never know what they're going to pull."

At this time, the Chair recognized Representative Richard Creagan, Class of 2014, who has served the residents of Naalehu, Ocean View, Captain Cook, and Kailua-Kona for six years and has chaired the Committee on Agriculture for the last four years, and who was participating remotely via Zoom.

Representative Creagan: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Aloha, Mr. Speaker. I want to simply thank you and all my colleagues for an interesting and rewarding seven years. And I hope to thank all of you individually in the future. *Mahalo and a hui hou.*"

Speaker Saiki: "Thank you very much Representative Creagan. I also wanted to note to our departing members that we ordered the customary gavels late, so you'll be receiving them in the mail."

At this time, the Chair recognized Representative Chris Lee, Class of 2008, who has served the residents of Kailua and Waimanalo for the past 12 years and has chaired the Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection for six years before chairing the Committee on Judiciary for the last two years, and who was presented with a certificate by Representative Luke on behalf of the Members of the House.

Representative Lee: "Thanks very much. It's kind of bittersweet to stand here, I think. I never really saw it coming, never really thought the day would come. But I do appreciate that my fellow Representative from Kailua is here today because ultimately, she potentially could be a constituent, so I gotta start sucking up. And to the rest of you guys, because if things don't work out, then I'll need a session job next year.

"But ultimately, I think I wanted to use this time actually to speak to whoever replaces me and just share something that I wish as a freshman coming in here someone had explained to me about the nature of this place. Because it took me about five or six years before I even figured out the way things really work, and the benefits and the drawbacks and all the different things that go into the process.

"And so, the three things I want to put out there, and if this is helpful for any of the new freshmen, by all means take it, leave it. But there are three points. One, don't be afraid to stand up for something you believe in. It sounds pretty straightforward, we all think about it. But in politics, of course, it's easy to be afraid, it's easy to be worried about what's going to happen, whether it's a vote or anything else, whether we come back.

"And I think about four or five years ago, oh God, no actually about 10 years ago, when I was standing at a neighborhood board meeting giving a talk just like this and ended up having a stroke. And I didn't really know what was happening at the time. And maybe it says something about the nature of neighborhood board meetings. But it was a turning point for a lot of obvious reasons. And I was in the hospital for about a week.

"At the time I was thinking, were the last few years serving here in this body with everybody else, was that worth it? Would I have rather been travelling the world or spending time with friends and family, doing things that we all want to do because we know how difficult it is. This isn't a cushy job with a whole lot of perks and all of that. It is hard work just to get here, to campaign, much less to serve here and be constantly inundated by people with their concerns and trials and all the hopes and expectations that they put on us.

"When I thought about it for those five days, not knowing what was going to happen, whether I would be able to come back here or not, or really have a life at all after that, and I realized, yes, I wanted to come back. And yes, I

thought the time was worthwhile. Because even though we hadn't changed the world, even though I hadn't done everything that I had personally set out to do, there was time to. And the most that I can do is the most that anyone can do.

"And so, instead of worrying about compromise and being afraid of getting into difficult votes and being re-elected and all those things, I just decided at that point that I'm going to come back and just do what I feel is right, and strategically compromise and work with people to get things done but not be afraid of it.

"And so, the first thing I'd say to someone who, whoever it is that replaces me, ultimately is, compromise when you have to but never compromise with yourself. Because at the end of the day, you don't know how much time you have, and you don't want the time you spent here to have any sort of regret.

"The second thing I'd say is, don't be afraid to fail. Because we all know that only a handful of bills, of this of all years, of course, actually have even a chance of passing. And yet we try and try again. And I've been one who's, obviously, I think thanks, and I apologize to everybody, have pushed a lot of things that were somewhat ahead of their time, in some cases, that weren't really prime for primetime just yet. And most of those fail. But occasionally, there's one or two that make it.

"And in spite of all that failure and all those years, 100% clean energy is one where we tried year, and year, and year again to pass it, and finally it did. And at the time we were told, hey this is impossible, it's politically impossible, it's technically impossible, it will never happen. But after the fact, fast forward a few years and here are other states around the country, other countries replicating what we did because we did it. And that's something to be, for me, just personally proud of, and I think goes to show that, don't be afraid to fail, because eventually something will happen.

"And I think it's a good lesson. Especially when you think about the Representative from Kailua, who this year scored a huge victory with hemp. The good Representative from, who now is the Speaker of the House, who decades ago took a difficult vote at the time to support marriage equality, and it took all those years to come back and actually achieve it. Or the Representative from North Kona who voted all those years ago to not hide police misconduct, and now 25 years later it occurred. All these things are possible in the future. So, my advice on that second point would be, try and try again, and you will always come back.

"And finally, the last thing, never forget that this is a privilege, serving in this body, and it is a temporary privilege. All of us will be gone someday and we will all be replaced, and the things we leave behind will be all that we do. We know anyone can run for office, anybody can sign wave. And we know that people aren't often voted all the time based on the merits of what they're talking about, it's a lot of other things. But none of us run for those reasons. None of us run to campaign, to spend thousands of hours on the side of the road waving at cars driving by, at like 4:00 in the morning if you're on the Ewa side. But we're here for something bigger. And so, make the most of that time. Because change, whether it's us or the things that we advocate, is inevitable and it will someday come. And at the end of that, the only question that we are ultimately left with is whether all that time we spent and all that headache we went through campaigning and being here and doing it all, whether that was worth it.

"And so, for me, I'd just like to thank everybody who's been a part of what we've done. Whether it's the agencies, and all the staff in Sergeant's and Chief Clerk's and the drafting agencies, and everybody all around. And all of you as legislators, colleagues, without whom none of the stuff that we've done would have been possible. And to friends come and gone, Mark Takai and others who served with us and helped us along the way. And especially, in particular, to Sylvia, and to Della, and to Scott for whom I worked as staff before ever coming and even dreaming or thinking about running for office, who opened my eyes to what is possible here. The only reason I ever even agreed was because individuals can make a difference. And we saw that in votes taken and the things that you guys and others who've come before pushed for, successfully.

"And then finally, a huge thank you to my staff. My office managers over the years, to Matt and Jen upstairs right now, who are watching. None of this would be possible without you guys. And then lastly and most of all,

thanks to friends and family who've made this possible. Not only campaigning with me on the side of the road and all of that, but who've not seen me for months at a stretch. So, thank you for that sacrifice.

"Because at the end of the day, all of this, all these last 12 years and everything we've done, in answering that question, has absolutely been worth it. So, thank you all."

At this time, the Chair recognized Representative Rida Cabanilla Arakawa, originally Class of 2004 and more recently Class of 2018, who has served the residents of Waipahu and Ewa for a total of 12 years and has chaired the Committees on International Affairs and Housing and served as majority floor leader, and who was presented with a certificate by Representative Nakashima on behalf of the Members of the House.

Representative Cabanilla Arakawa: "Mr. Speaker and fellow members, I would like to express my gratitude to all my past and present leadership, my colleagues, my office staff, and the support staff of the House of Representatives for travelling along with me on this political journey. In 2005, I entered this Chamber with vigor and excitement to share the table with some of the greatest minds in the United States. Thank you very much. I would like my speech to be inserted into the Journal."

Representative Cabanilla Arakawa submitted the following:

"Mr. Speaker and fellow members, I would like to express my gratitude to all my past and present leadership, my colleagues, my office staff, and the support staff of the House of Representatives for travelling along with me on this political journey.

"In 2005, I entered this Chamber with vigor and excitement to share the table with some of the greatest minds of the State of Hawaii. I have indeed had the honor to work alongside each of you. This is an unparalleled dream that had become a reality.

"A reality that presented a learning curve of insurmountable challenges. Mr. Speaker, the subject matters that I dealt with over the years have never been on one subject matter, but have been versatile, each requiring intense reading of testimonies. No matter how many nights I spent burning the midnight oil, the hardest moments were while deciding on the vote. The vote had to be a reflection of the ideology of the majority of my constituencies.

"Prior to entering this Chamber, Mr. Speaker, as a wife, a mother, a nurse, and a soldier, I had gone through the toughest emotional, physical and mental challenges that made me stronger. But this very Chamber made them all look like a wind blowing over a flower. Here, the wind grew stronger into a storm leaving me many a times trembling and breaking down. Mr. Speaker, today I know I am stronger and more humane than ever. I do not hesitate to act upon issues that I care for and believe in.

"As I walk towards new challenges, I take along the experiences and the knowledge this House has given me. For that, I am and will forever be grateful. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

At this time, the Chair recognized Representative Cynthia Thielen, Class of 1990, who has served the residents of Kailua and Kaneohe Bay for the past 30 years and has served in the roles of assistant minority floor leader, assistant minority leader, minority floor leader, and hemp advocate.

Representative Thielen: "Thank you so much, Mr. Speaker. I was elected in 1990 and my first bill that I passed was to save Mount Olomana. It was a very important landmark for the Windward side and there was going to be housing terraced throughout Mount Olomana. So, Governor Waihee called me up to his office and he said, Cynthia, I'm going to have to veto your bill. And I said, John, why? And he said, because my land board can take care of the land classification for Mount Olomana. So I said, okay. First bill, first veto. And I trotted across the street to the Department of Land and Natural Resources and spoke to the board chair and said, this is what the governor said, now please do it, and they did. And so, Mount Olomana has been placed in the conservation district for preservation for perpetuity.

"So, moving ahead to 1999 under Governor Ben Cayetano, we passed the industrial hemp research project. And Governor Cayetano wisely signed that into law, and Hawaii became the first state in the United States to plant hemp

again in over 50 years. I put up the drug enforcement agency's permit to import hemp seed on my website and got 55,000 hits on that. That's how major this was, to be able to grow a crop that has 25,000 uses, none of which will get you high. Right, Representative from Lahaina? He usually makes a joke about that, and that's why I reference him.

"So, then we moved to Governor Lingle, and when Governor Lingle was in office, we were having some sort of scary problems with Kawaiui Marsh. At one point, Liberty House was planning to put a department store up on the marsh edge. So, my office spent weeks and weeks working on an application to place Kawaiui Marsh into the Ramsar List of Wetlands of International Importance. And when we sent it up to Governor Lingle, she didn't even have to dot an I, all she had to do was sign it, it went in, it was accepted, and Kawaiui Marsh is now on the Ramsar List and internationally protected as well as locally protected.

"The next thing we go to is a crisis that we had here in the state with the opioid addiction. And I wanted to particularly thank Representatives John Mizuno, Scott Nishimoto, Chris Lee, Sylvia Luke, Dee Morikawa, and also Roy Takumi for joining me on the bill that now mandates all opioids have warning labels saying, this can cause addiction or kill you. And that's a small step, but it at least helps with the opioid addiction. And thank you all so much for doing that.

"And then we come to hemp again. And this is where, under our present Governor, we had a very good hemp bill a couple of years ago that Ag Chair Creagan worked very hard on. And it went up to Governor Ige, who met with the two of us for about an hour as we tried to convince him, it's not a drug, it's an ag crop. It's something that we can plant in the vacant sugar lands, we can plant as a rotational crop. It's green, it's agriculture. And at the end of that, Governor Ige vetoed it.

"So, it's been a really wonderful 30 years. And it's had its pluses. I learned to celebrate the small victories, because sometimes the big ones escaped you for that time, but to be able to celebrate those and move ahead with keeping your vision and what you feel will help our state.

"But none of this would have been possible without the people on the Windward side deciding each time that they wanted to send me back here. And I'm eternally grateful to them.

"It wouldn't be possible to make this work over here without our DAGS staff. Without our Sergeant-at-Arms, which has really upped the whole, everything that they're doing here, it's amazing, it's wonderful. Without the Clerk's Office, they're so great. Legislative Reference Bureau, who rescued me more times than I can count. And Minority Research, who's been wonderful throughout the time.

"And most of all, Charlotte Farmer. My office manager, my chief of staff, my wonderful, wonderful colleague in arms in this building. She's just amazing.

"In closing, I'd like to also leave a little message with my baby brother, Representative McDermott, to keep on the middle road, we've had a lot of talks, and to keep on the middle road. And I deeply love him, he is like a baby brother, sometimes you want to spank them and other times you want to hug them.

"And then I wanted to also applaud the two new members in our legislative body, the strong environmentalists, Representatives Tina Wildberger and Amy Perruso. And they're right with me on so many of those important environmental votes, and I'm so proud of them.

"I wanted to also mention one quick thing, that I am very proud to have served in this chamber while my daughter has been serving in the Senate side. And I know we're the only mother daughter team in office who are in different parties, she the Democrat and I the Republican. But we work together, most of the time, very well. And I hope we'll always do that.

"And then I finally wanted to say, Mr. Speaker, thank you for being my friend. You and Sylvia have just been wonderful through the years, and I so appreciate that. I feel that we're, it's more than just on a political level that we're friends, colleagues, and sometimes with disagreements, but really caring for each other and respecting each other. And I look at the two of you that have a huge job coming up this coming session and for a number of

years to come, and I feel confident, I feel tremendously confident, that our House is in the right hands.

"And I must mention to you, way back when you were doing the reorg and things were kind of rocky, I had a resolution printed to put me up on the speaker's podium and got a little bit of support for that. And I'm so glad I never got to 26 votes, because you all are a wonderful, wonderful team. We've got the financial end and we've got you at the podium. And I respect you and I applaud you and I thank you for your friendship. *Mahalo*."

Speaker Saiki: "Thank you, Representative Thielen. I do remember that resolution."

At this time, the Chair recognized Speaker Emeritus Calvin Say, the House's longest serving member, Class of 1976, who has served the residents of Palolo, Saint Louis Heights, Maunalani Heights, Wilhelmina Rise, and Kaimuki for the past 44 years and has chaired the Committees on Culture/Arts; Tourism; Water, Land Use Development and Hawaiian Affairs; and Finance; served as Speaker from 1999 through 2012; and who was presented with a certificate by Representative Belatti on behalf of the Members of the House.

Representative Say: "Thank you very much. Let me be strong. To all of you, *mahalo*, but *mahalo* for all of us should be going to the workers of the State House, the State House of Representatives from 1976 till today. The Chief Clerk's Office, *mahalo* for doing an excellent job in seeing that the operations of the House runs very, very smoothly. From the days of Mr. George Takane and Charles Tomisato, to Pat Mau-Shimizu and others, thank you.

"To the Sergeant-at-Arms, from the days of Kevin Ebata. But before that, Mr. Takeshita, who was that before Kevin Ebata? It's not Frank Arakaki. And that's how much my memory is, because I'm getting old. But to the Sergeant-at-Arms, thank you very much for the operations of taking care of all the members of the past years.

"Also, to the accounting office, thank you very much for my payroll check, my per diem. To the computer tech in educating me and teaching me about how to run my laptops. To the Sergeant-at-Arms, those that are in the Printshop that support all of you, and also those in the supply room. Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker.

"To the House Majority Staff Office, the days of Ms. Millie Kim and now today, Casey, congratulations for a job well done in providing the services to the Majority Caucus. And also, to the Minority Caucus staff, thank you very much, in the days of Kinau Boyd Kamalii, Faith Evans, and others who were here before us.

"And also, we forget our support staff, which is the Legislative Reference Bureau and the Library. And finally, a key point that this House initiated, the Public Access Room.

"So, for all of you, thank you very much for guiding me, nurturing me, supporting me, forgiving me, and educating me on the operations of the State Legislature, the State House of Representatives, which is the people's house. Without your strong support, I may not be here today to say thank you. And that is true.

"Next, the thanks goes to our fellow colleagues of the House, the past, the present, and the future. *Mahalo* to all of you for your contributions to public service on behalf of the voters that you do represent. The days of Mr. 'Opihi, who was 'opihi man in the House of Representatives? Any idea? That was Speaker James Wakatsuki, the first Speaker I worked under in 1977. After that it was Speaker Henry Peters, Speaker Richard Kawakami who had passed away a few weeks after the opening, Speaker Kihano, and the rest goes on as far as Speaker Souki and others. So, for all of you, be proud of what you are doing. Public service is a noble and a humble profession for all of us who are here in public service.

"Next, I have to say something to my family, because if not, my wife will get upset at me after 44 years. But before I do that, let me just say thank you to my parents, Hugh and Clara Say, Steve and Mrs. Kotake, my wife, Cora, my two sons, Geoff and Jared, for their personal sacrifice, that you allowed your husband and father to be a part of this body. And it is true. Because one

of the thoughts that I had to share with you this afternoon, for all of you, it's very simply put. As a former Speaker, Speaker Saiki, what I always used to do also, was that once the members of the House got elected, I would try to categorize them. And it is no pun about anyone. You look at a person who is a single individual in the House, a person who is married, but foremost in my mind was a person who had children. Because the whole values and attitudes of your particular legislation will not be addressing individually, but your children. Because they are the future of the state that we all dearly love.

"And finally, I just wanted to say to, Speaker Saiki, I don't know who, I had how many different districts because of reapportionment, but the voters who have elected you and me to the State House. I believe after maybe four reapportionments, the district boundaries have changed. And I just wanted to honestly say to the voters and the family and friends that I've known throughout my career, thank you very much for the privilege and the opportunity of being your state representative.

"So, in closing, these are some of my thoughts for all of you. Like earlier by Representative Thielen, politics is the art of compromise. Understand that. Number two, like I said earlier, know your colleagues, if they're single, married, or having family kids. The former speaker of the US Congress, Speaker Tip O'Neill, always said to all of you, politics is all local.

"And finally, all I have to say is this. My time here has been a blur. And it speaks of my analogy of a speck of sand in a timeglass. What we contribute here will never be codified in the history books, but the memories that each of you have in your experiences with your colleagues.

"So, in closing, thank you very much for allowing me to say a few words. Yes, I'm not done yet, but my wife told me the other day, you're crazy running for the city council. But I said, I enjoy public service. And that's why I'm doing it at the age of 68. And in two years, I'm very, very proud to announce to all of you, that's the maximum age to get your social security, and I'm gonna get it to the max. Thank you very much and *aloha*."

Speaker Saiki: "Thank you Representative Say. Thank you to all of our departing members for all of your years of service in the House of Representatives, and best wishes on your future endeavors."

The Chair then recognized Representative Belatti, the Majority Leader, to deliver closing remarks on behalf of the Majority Caucus:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. So much has happened in the last seven months. Beginning this session in January, we crafted a holistic majority package of bills aimed to tackle the cost of living issues confronting all of Hawaii's people. This was a historic collaboration between the Senate, Governor, community stakeholders, and business leaders. We knew, and still know, that our ALICE families, asset limited income constrained employed families, were struggling. Our plan was to relieve the burden of everyday expenses that the 2019 Aloha United Way report told us was there, that families were spending most of their monthly paychecks on housing and childcare.

"So, when our state began to face the impacts of the coronavirus pandemic, our role as legislators became two-fold. One, responding to the ever changing COVID-19 situation. And two, continuing to stay focused on the work and the goals that we had set forth in January. In doing so, we had to take on a whole new world of teleconferencing, having members participate on the floor remotely, and redesigning how we function as a legislature and as a state.

"Everyone began to ask, what can I do. We had members spring into action organizing food drives in their districts, helping the Department of Labor to get people their unemployment checks, assembling face masks. You name it, we had volunteers across our islands dedicating themselves to help serve their communities in every way possible.

"We know that the economic slowdown caused by COVID-19 has deeply, deeply affected our communities, particularly our ALICE families. An updated report by Aloha United Way finds that before COVID, 42% of our families were either ALICE or in poverty. That number has now risen to 59% and is expected to increase by the end of 2020.

"Under the guidance of this leadership, we have passed a comprehensive CARES Act funding plan to provide \$635 million in immediate relief to unemployed individuals, the growing ALICE population, and our local businesses. The plan will support and reinforce the social safety net, rebuild and move forward the economy, and address the ongoing pandemic.

"And through it all, we still tackled the big issues like early childcare, domestic violence, homelessness, and mental health. When we reflect on this session, I'm really proud to say that some of the mental health bills that we have passed will reform the way our mental health system and our criminal justice system coexist. It will allow for the individuals who are struggling with mental illness to be helped and treated instead of constantly cycling through the criminal justice system.

"Those bills, House Bill 1620 and House Bill 1661, identifies how behavior health crises are treated, has been a huge undertaking and goal for our community, bringing together the Judiciary and our mental health community. The coordination between those systems revealed that our health systems and our public safety systems are essential services. And these bills in tandem will work to make those systems so much more stronger and to help individuals.

"This session has been no easy task. But the ups and downs, highs and lows, and the constant, constant unpredictability has taught me a lot. I've learned the importance of adaptability, responsiveness, and always keeping an eye on the bigger picture. As public servants, we have a steadfast commitment to the people of Hawaii. To keep them safe, healthy, and prosperous.

"While there is still so much work for us to do to help our ALICE families, we can close this seemingly never-ending session knowing we put our best foot forward to provide immediate relief and lay the foundations for recovery during these unprecedented times. I know that this body will return next session with some new faces, but all with a fire to do even more and create a better and safer Hawaii for everyone.

"I'd like to thank everyone in this House, our staff members, the House staff. Your patience, hard work, and tenacity has gotten us through these challenging times and will continue to push us to achieve greater things for this state. *Mahalo* and *aloha*."

The Chair then recognized Representative Ward, the Minority Leader, to deliver closing remarks on behalf of the Minority Caucus:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. There are three words that describe where we are, and I think this body can identify with it, as well as the people of Hawaii. First is unprecedented. Secondly, unfulfilled. And third, uncertainty.

"Unprecedented, Mr. Speaker. When this body meets year after year, historically, 44 years ago, as Speaker Say said, we've never had a dead economy, we've never had a huge deficit like we have now. We've never had people in food lines, unless we go back to the sessions of the '30s when the depression was.

"We are in times of unfulfillment, Mr. Speaker. I commend the majority for doing the daycare. But, Mr. Speaker, we've got to tackle cost of living. That's an unfulfilled promise. The housing issue, we've gotta attack that. And homelessness, that is another part of the unfulfillment.

"And lastly, the uncertainty, Mr. Speaker. We all leave this chamber under a cloud of uncertainty. But I think we have four imperatives, Mr. Speaker. One is we've got to open the economy. We've got to stop this equivocation, set a date, and do it and do it properly. And I commend Representative McDermott for making sure that there is a proper safety for our health as well as our economic well-being.

"Secondly, Mr. Speaker, this is an opportunity and an imperative to diversify our economy. We gotta get more than just two eggs in the basket. And when those things fall out, particularly as the economy and tourism has, that we can do and stay stable.

"And thirdly, we have to help small business, Mr. Speaker. I've said many times on this floor that half of our income is GET tax, one quarter of it is withholding tax, which means the private sector, which is 80% of the

economy is private. We need to get the private sector going. We need to help small businesses. We need to give them a break, loans, cutting red tape, *et cetera*.

"And lastly, Mr. Speaker, the imperative is, we've got to open this capitol up. Can you imagine if this is 2021 and we're going to have these kinds of hearings about giving senators a way to get into an election and there's no input, Mr. Speaker? Other than, well you can put your testimony in. But to have a legislature without hearings face to face, Mr. Speaker, that is an imperative and an uncertainty that I think we have to fulfill.

"Lastly, Mr. Speaker, I have a few remarks to say about all my parting colleagues, particularly one from Kailua. But before I say that, I want to say that there was a lot of emotiveness in each of the speeches, Mr. Speaker, which some have said that, look, we're human beings first and politicians second. And I really appreciate all the remarks that people have said to show that we're just like everybody else, human beings who care and do things.

So, in regards to my colleague, Representative from Kailua, Cynthia, you've served your district well, you've served your state well, you've served your country well. We are proud of you, to have served alongside of you, and you have made a huge impact.

"Not speaking out of school, but I want to relate a couple of incidences after Cynthia and I were minority and minority floor leader. We would literally take on the whole House. She's quieted down a bit compared to what she was during the earlier days when it was, as Speaker Say mentioned a number of times, Speaker Peters, Speaker Kihano, Souki, and so forth.

"But there's one instance that really stands out, Mr. Speaker. And that is when the majority floor leader that was sitting over there, it was by the name of now Mayor, Kirk Caldwell. Mayor Caldwell stood up in defiance of what our good Governor Linda Lingle declared an emergency for homelessness. The good Mayor Caldwell stood up and said, there is no such thing as a homeless disaster, that cannot be an emergency, and he argued all kinds of technical things as lawyers tend to do when they get on the floor, in case we can't figure things out.

"Up then shot Representative Thielen, how dare you say that homelessness is not an emergency in this state, do you know what these people are hurt? She just went off on him. And you would all be delighted. That's the firebrand that this lady is. That's the memory that I share so dearly with Representative Thielen. And to know that one of her ancestors, give me liberty or give me death. That's the tradition, the DNA that she comes from in the Patrick Henry line.

"So, Mr. Speaker, we will miss your promises. But hopefully you'll, in 2021, re-fulfill them, particularly regarding the cost of living and regarding housing, may they never be forgotten by your majority. And we will miss, obviously, Representative Thielen and all of those who are leaving us today. Mr. Speaker, if I may be so bold, may I ask for another round of applause for all of those people who are leaving this body for us. Thank you."

Speaker Saiki then gave his closing remarks as follows:

"The Chair just has a few comments to make. First of all, thank you to all of the residents of our districts for giving us the opportunity to represent them in the Legislature. Thank you also to our legislative staff for helping us to get through this protracted session. This includes the Sergeant-at-Arms Office, the Chief Clerk's Office, the Printshop, our research offices, our individual staff members, and also the National Guard, which staffed our Capitol building since May.

"So, members, as you know, no one would have imagined when we opened our regular session six months ago on January 15th that we would be here today under these circumstances. Despite the challenges, the House has led throughout this pandemic, as evidenced by the major pieces of legislation that we have just approved.

"A weekly state plus-up benefit for over 200,000 unemployed workers; rental assistance for over 20,000 households; PPE and supplies for non-profits, child and eldercare facilities, and small businesses; food assistance; public health screening and testing; a state public works program; restoration of the Fernhurst women's rehabilitative program; gun violence

prevention; state facilities energy efficiency modernization; and family leave for grandparents.

"Although we are adjourning *sine die*, we know that our work is far from over. We are still in a pandemic. And for those House members with seniority and those with less, we know that this is the most challenging time that Hawaii has faced since statehood. It will not be easy to reopen Hawaii incrementally while still assuring public health and safety. But this is when we need to lead. We need to remember that it's just not results that are important. The public also wants us to lead with grit and humility, and wants to be assured that we are looking out for them.

"I just wanted to emphasize three basic points before closing. First, the House is a leader. Second, the diversity of our membership based upon our backgrounds and our philosophies makes the House more responsive and stronger. Third, we can accomplish anything if we put our minds to it.

"I just wanted to thank all of the members for your work during this session, I know that we'll continue to work after *sine die*, and I just look forward to seeing all of you again soon. Thank you very much."

Representative Ward: "Mr. Speaker, lest people think that Representative did not get her certificate, we have a show-and-tell that is bigger than the usual. This is when she was first featured as the hemp lady and the one that the Star-Advertiser put on the front page as well as the commendation from the House of Representatives. So, that is a memorable one, and I just wanted you to know that this is for you, and it's a special size. So, thank you, Mr. Speaker, for allowing this."

ADJOURNMENT

Representative Belatti moved that the House of Representatives of the Thirtieth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2020, adjourn *Sine Die*, seconded by Representative Ward.

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and at 1:51 p.m., the Speaker rapped his gavel and declared the House of Representatives of the Thirtieth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2020, adjourned *Sine Die*. (Representatives Har, Ichiyama, and Ohno were excused.)

HOUSE COMMUNICATIONS

House Communication dated July 10, 2020, from Brian L. Takeshita, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, to the Honorable President and members of the Senate, informing the Senate that the House has this day agreed to the amendments made by the Senate and passed the following House Bills on Final Reading:

H.B. No. 1346, HD 2, SD 2
 H.B. No. 1352, HD 2, SD 1
 H.B. No. 1523, HD 1, SD 2
 H.B. No. 1620, HD 2, SD 2
 H.B. No. 1637, HD 1, SD 2
 H.B. No. 1659, HD 3, SD 1
 H.B. No. 1661, HD 3, SD 2
 H.B. No. 1673, HD 1, SD 1
 H.B. No. 1676, HD 1, SD 2
 H.B. No. 1678, HD 1, SD 1
 H.B. No. 1854, HD 1, SD 1
 H.B. No. 1929, HD 2, SD 2
 H.B. No. 1942, HD 2, SD 2
 H.B. No. 1978, HD 1, SD 1
 H.B. No. 2043, HD 2, SD 2
 H.B. No. 2054, HD 1, SD 1
 H.B. No. 2060, HD 1, SD 1
 H.B. No. 2097, HD 2, SD 2
 H.B. No. 2124, HD 1, SD 2
 H.B. No. 2125, HD 2, SD 1
 H.B. No. 2148, HD 1, SD 1
 H.B. No. 2162, HD 2, SD 1
 H.B. No. 2183, HD 2, SD 2
 H.B. No. 2202, HD 1, SD 1

H.B. No. 2340, HD 2, SD 1
 H.B. No. 2350, HD 2, SD 1
 H.B. No. 2425, HD 1, SD 1
 H.B. No. 2543, HD 1, SD 2
 H.B. No. 2590, HD 2, SD 2
 H.B. No. 2750, HD 2, SD 2

House Communication dated July 10, 2020, from Brian L. Takeshita, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, to the Honorable President and members of the Senate, informing the Senate that the House has reconsidered its action taken in disagreeing to the amendments made by the Senate on July 2, 2020, and has this day agreed to the amendments and passed the following House Bill on Final Reading:

H.B. No. 1698, HD 1, SD 1

House Communication dated July 10, 2020, from Brian L. Takeshita, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, to the Honorable President and members of the Senate, informing the Senate that the House has reconsidered its action taken in disagreeing to the amendments made by the Senate on July 6, 2020, and has this day agreed to the amendments and passed the following House Bill on Final Reading:

H.B. No. 2744, HD 1, SD 2

House Communication dated July 10, 2020, from Brian L. Takeshita, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, to the Honorable President and members of the Senate, informing the Senate that the House has reconsidered its action taken in disagreeing to the amendments made by the Senate on July 8, 2020, and has this day agreed to the amendments and passed the following House Bills on Final Reading:

H.B. No. 1819, HD 2, SD 3
 H.B. No. 1846, HD 2, SD 2
 H.B. No. 1912, HD 1, SD 1
 H.B. No. 2486, HD 2, SD 2

SENATE COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications from the Senate (Sen. Com. Nos. 631 through 633) were received by the Clerk:

Sen. Com. No. 631, transmitting H.C.R. No. 26, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A TERM, NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT COVERING A PORTION OF STATE SUBMERGED LANDS AT KANEOHE, KOOLAUPOKO, OAHU, FOR THE EXISTING PIER, AND FOR USE, REPAIR, AND MAINTENANCE OF THE EXISTING IMPROVEMENTS CONSTRUCTED THEREON," which was adopted by the Senate on July 10, 2020.

Sen. Com. No. 632, dated July 10, 2020, informing the House that the Senate has on July 8, 2020, agreed to the amendments proposed by the House to the following Senate Bills and that said bills have this day passed Final Reading:

S.B. No. 2060, SD 2, HD 2
 S.B. No. 2130, SD 1, HD 1
 S.B. No. 2193, HD 2
 S.B. No. 2262, SD 1, HD 2
 S.B. No. 2275, SD 2, HD 2
 S.B. No. 2384, SD 2, HD 2
 S.B. No. 2386, SD 2, HD 2
 S.B. No. 2421, SD 1, HD 1
 S.B. No. 2486, SD 1, HD 1
 S.B. No. 2523, SD 1, HD 2
 S.B. No. 2612, SD 1, HD 1
 S.B. No. 2638, SD 2, HD 3
 S.B. No. 2820, SD 2, HD 2
 S.B. No. 2844, SD 2, HD 2
 S.B. No. 2866, SD 2, HD 2
 S.B. No. 2871, SD 2, HD 3
 S.B. No. 2993, HD 2

S.B. No. 3103, SD 2, HD 2
 S.B. No. 3119, SD 1, HD 2
 S.B. No. 3158, SD 1, HD 1
 S.B. No. 2920, SD 1, HD 1
 S.B. No. 2629, SD 2, HD 1

Sen. Com. No. 633, informing the House that the Senate has on July 10, 2020, agreed to the amendments proposed by the House to the following Senate Bills and that said bills have this day passed Final Reading:

S.B. No. 2206, SD 2, HD 2
 S.B. No. 2893, SD 1, HD 2
 S.B. No. 2894, SD 1, HD 2
 S.B. No. 3117, SD 1, HD 2

A copy of the following Senate Resolution was received by the Clerk:

S.R. No. 201, entitled: "SENATE RESOLUTION INFORMING THE HOUSE AND GOVERNOR THAT THE SENATE IS READY TO ADJOURN SINE DIE," which was adopted by the Senate on July 10, 2020.

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