

FORTY-THIRD DAY

Tuesday, April 6, 2021

The House of Representatives of the Thirty-First Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2021, convened at noon, with Vice Speaker Mizuno presiding.

The invocation was delivered by Representative Roy M. Takumi, after which the Roll was called showing all members present, with Representative Har participating remotely via videoconference, and with the exception of Representative Quinlan, who was excused.

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

SENATE COMMUNICATIONS

The following communication from the Senate (Sen. Com. No. 607) was received and announced by the Clerk:

Sen. Com. No. 607, transmitting H.B. No. 416, HD 2, SD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SECTION 711-1109, HAWAII REVISED STATUTES," which passed Third Reading in the Senate on April 5, 2021.

Representative Belatti moved to disagree to the amendments made by the Senate to the following House Bill, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried: (Representative Quinlan was excused.)

H.B. No. 416, HD 2, (SD 2)

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS

The following miscellaneous communication (Misc. Com. No. 1003) was received by the Clerk and was placed on file:

Misc. Com. No. 1003, from the State Auditor Working Group, dated March 31, 2021, transmitting a report outlining its findings to assist members of the State House of Representatives to determine whether the State Auditor is in need of guidance prioritizing his work and the scope of his work, and to identify opportunities for improving the timeliness of reports and operations of the Office of the State Auditor, pursuant to House Rule No. 2.

ORDER OF THE DAY

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Representative Kapela: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. April is Sexual Assault Awareness Month, and as we've seen during the COVID-19 pandemic, sexual violence has become an epidemic within the pandemic. An analysis published by the Journal of Radiology last August found that the proportion of women who've endured physical abuse, including sexual assault, were 80% higher during the pandemic than in the three previous years put together.

"For me, as a survivor during this month, I ask and I invite every single person in this room and every single person that's listening to reflect on how we can strengthen protections for survivors of sexual violence in our own communities both as individuals and as a legislative body. And I also urge every single one of us to ensure that survivors are offered trauma-informed care and that we may listen and believe them whenever they come forward. So, thank you."

Representative Luke, for the Committee on Finance, requested a waiver of the 48-hour advanced notice requirement for the purpose of hearing the following measures on Wednesday, April 7, 2021, at 2:00 p.m. in Conference Room 308, and the Chair "so ordered."

S.B. No. 628, SD 2, HD 2, Relating to the Transition of the Oahu Regional Health Care System from the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation into the Department of Health;
S.B. No. 935, SD 2, HD 1, Relating to Aerospace;
S.B. No. 932, SD 2, HD 1, Relating to the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism;

S.B. No. 1053, SD 2, Relating to the Hawaii Community-Based Economic Development Technical and Financial Assistance Program;
S.B. No. 1340, SD 2, HD 2, Relating to Emergency Medical Services;
S.B. No. 506, SD 2, HD 1, Relating to the Issuance of Special Purpose Revenue Bonds to Assist Wahiawa General Hospital; and
S.B. No. 179, SD 2, HD 1, Relating to Irrigation.

Representative Luke, for the Committee on Finance, requested a waiver of the 48-hour advanced notice requirement for the purpose of decision-making on the following measures on Wednesday, April 7, 2021, at 2:00 p.m. in Conference Room 308, and the Chair "so ordered."

S.B. No. 1329, SD 2, HD 2, Relating to Procurement; and
S.B. No. 1101, SD 2, HD 1, Relating to Hurricane Preparedness.

ADJOURNMENT

At 12:07 p.m., on motion by Representative Morikawa, seconded by Representative Matsumoto and carried, the House of Representatives adjourned until noon tomorrow, Wednesday, April 7, 2021. (Representative Quinlan was excused.)

HOUSE COMMUNICATIONS

House Communication dated April 6, 2021, 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 disagreed to the amendments made by the Senate to the following measure:

H.B. No. 416, HD 2, SD 2