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The House of Representatives of the Thirty-First Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2022, convened at 10:00 a.m., with Speaker Saiki presiding.

The invocation was delivered by Representative Dee Morikawa, after which the Roll was called showing all members present, with Representatives Har, Kitagawa, Matayoshi, Perruso, and Wildberger participating remotely via videoconference.

GOVERNOR'S MESSAGES

The following message from the Governor (Gov. Msg. No. 1) was received and announced by the Clerk and was placed on file:

Gov. Msg. No. 1, dated December 20, 2021, informing the House that the Budget in Brief - FY 23 Executive Supplemental Budget, the Executive Supplemental Budget for the Budget Period 2021-23, and the Variance Report for FYs 2021 and 2022, have been made electronically available to the Legislature.

ORDER OF THE DAY

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

GOVERNOR'S MESSAGES

The following message from the Governor (Gov. Msg. No. 830 (2021)) was received and announced by the Clerk and the following action taken:

Gov. Msg. No. 830, dated July 23, 2021, appointing Linda Ann Ha'i Clark to serve as the Representative from the Thirteenth House District for the Thirty-first Legislature of the State of Hawai'i to fill the vacancy for the House District 13 immediately, for the term to expire November 8, 2022.

The Speaker appointed the Sergeant-at-Arms to escort Ms. Linda Clark to the rostrum for the Oath of Office.

The Speaker then requested that the Chief Justice administer the Oath of Office.

OATH OF OFFICE

The Honorable Mark E. Recktenwald, Chief Justice of the State of Hawaii, addressed Ms. Clark and administered the Oath of Office in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii.

The Speaker then presented to the Members of the House the newest Member of the House, Representative Linda Clark, and introduced family of Representative Clark who were seated in the Gallery: her sons, Kupono Clark and Kalaniku Clark.

At 10:06 a.m., the Chair declared a recess subject to the call of the Chair.

The House of Representatives reconvened at 10:15 a.m.

On motion by Representative Morikawa, seconded by Representative Matsumoto and carried, the following bills (H.B. Nos. 1398 through 1533) passed First Reading by title and were referred to Printing:

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS

H.B. Nos.

- 1398 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO GOVERNMENT." Introduced by: Representative Ichiyama.
- 1399 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PANDEMIC RESPONSE."
 Introduced by: Representative Ichiyama.
- 1400 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DISASTER PREPAREDNESS." Introduced by: Representative Ichiyama.
- 1401 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DISASTER RECOVERY." Introduced by: Representative Ichiyama.
- 1402 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PANDEMIC RESPONSE."

Introduced by: Representative Ichiyama.

- 1403 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AN ALTERNATE ROUTE SITE SELECTION SURVEY IN PUNA." Introduced by: Representative Ilagan.
- 1404 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN SERVICES." Introduced by: Representative Nishimoto.
- 1405 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO RIGHT TO REPAIR." Introduced by: Representative Nishimoto.
- 1406 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO IMPROVING ACCESS TO PSYCHIATRIC CARE FOR MEDICAID PATIENTS." Introduced by: Representative Yamane.
- 1407 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE GENERAL EXCISE TAX." Introduced by: Representative Yamane.
- 1408 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANKS."

Introduced by: Representative Yamane.

- 1409 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION COMMERCIAL ENTERPRISES REVOLVING FUND." Introduced by: Representative Ichiyama.
- 1410 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS." Introduced by: Representative B. Kobayashi, by request.

- 1411 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES." Introduced by: Representatives Ilagan and Aquino.
- 1412 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ABANDONED VEHICLES." Introduced by: Representatives Ilagan and Aquino.
- 1413 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ABANDONED VEHICLES." Introduced by: Representatives Ilagan and Aquino.
- 1414 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ABANDONED VEHICLES."

Introduced by: Representatives Ilagan and Aquino.

1415 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THREAT ASSESSMENT."

Introduced by: Representatives Yamane and Woodson.

1416 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EMERGENCY POWERS."

Introduced by: Representative Nishimoto.

1417 "A BILL FOR AN ACT PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE V, SECTION 2, OF THE HAWAII STATE CONSTITUTION TO REQUIRE THE GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE OF EACH POLITICAL PARTY TO SELECT THE PARTY'S LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR NOMINEE."

Introduced by: Representative Nishimoto.

- 1418 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO BROADBAND SERVICE INFRASTRUCTURE." Introduced by: Representatives Takayama, Branco, Clark, Ganaden, Hashem, Hashimoto, Holt, Ichiyama, Ilagan, Kapela, Kitagawa, LoPresti, Lowen, McKelvey, Mizuno, Morikawa, Nakamura, Nakashima, Nishimoto, Ohno, Onishi, Quinlan, Sayama, Takumi, Tam, Tarnas, Tokioka, Wildberger, and Woodson.
- 1419 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTRONIC INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY ACCESSIBILITY." Introduced by: Representatives Takayama, Aquino, Branco, Clark, Hashem, Ichiyama, Ilagan, Kapela, Kitagawa, B. Kobayashi, LoPresti, Lowen, Matayoshi, McKelvey, Morikawa, Nakamura, Nakashima, Perruso, Quinlan, Takumi, Tam, Tarnas, Tokioka, Wildberger, and Ganaden.
- 1420 "A BILL FOR AN ACT PROPOSING TO AMEND SECTIONS OF ARTICLE V OF THE HAWAII STATE CONSTITUTION." Introduced by: Representatives Branco, Clark, Hashimoto, Ichiyama, Ilagan, Kitagawa, Morikawa, Nakamura, Nishimoto, Ohno, Quinlan, Sayama, Tarnas, and B. Kobayashi.
- 1421 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO A MEMORIAL." Introduced by: Representatives Branco, Clark, Hashem, Hashimoto, Ichiyama, Kitagawa, Kong, LoPresti, Matayoshi, McKelvey, Morikawa, Nakamura, Nakashima, Nishimoto, Ohno, Sayama, Takayama, Tarnas, Ward, and Woodson.
- 1422 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ENDANGERED AND THREATENED SPECIES."
 Introduced by: Representatives Branco, Clark, Ganaden, Hashem, Hashimoto, Ichiyama, Ilagan, Kitagawa, Matayoshi, Morikawa, Nakamura, Sayama, Tarnas, Wildberger, and Woodson.
- 1423 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO VIOLATIONS OF CAMPAIGN FINANCE LAW."

Introduced by: Representative Saiki, by request.

- 1424 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CANDIDATE COMMITTEE AND NONCANDIDATE COMMITTEE ORGANIZATIONAL REPORTS." Introduced by: Representative Saiki, by request.
- 1425 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONEERING COMMUNICATIONS."

Introduced by: Representative Saiki, by request.

- 1426 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ORDERS OF THE CAMPAIGN SPENDING COMMISSION." Introduced by: Representative Saiki, by request.
- 1427 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO REPORTS FILED WITH THE CAMPAIGN SPENDING COMMISSION." Introduced by: Representative Saiki, by request.
- 1428 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO OUT OF STATE DRIVER'S LICENSES." Introduced by: Representative Saiki, by request.
- 1429 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO RENEWAL OF DRIVER'S LICENSES." Introduced by: Representative Saiki, by request.
- 1430 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CONCESSIONS ON PUBLIC PROPERTY." Introduced by: Representative Saiki, by request.
- 1431 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREAS." Introduced by: Representative Saiki, by request.
- 1432 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CONCESSIONS ON PUBLIC PROPERTY." Introduced by: Representative Saiki, by request.
- 1433 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EXPIRATION OF LICENSES." Introduced by: Representative Saiki, by request.
- 1434 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE COUNTIES." Introduced by: Representative Saiki, by request.
- 1435 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC NOTICES." Introduced by: Representative Saiki, by request.
- 1436 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS." Introduced by: Representative Saiki, by request.
- 1437 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE USE OF INTOXICANTS WHILE OPERATING A VEHICLE." Introduced by: Representative Saiki, by request.
- 1438 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO UNLAWFUL CHOP SHOP ACTIVITY."
 Introduced by: Representative Saiki, by request.
- 1439 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION." Introduced by: Representative Saiki, by request.
- 1440 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE MINIMUM WAGE."

Introduced by: Representative Saiki, by request.

1441 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENTS IN THE COUNTY OF MAUI." Introduced by: Representative Saiki, by request.

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- 1442 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT ACT." Introduced by: Representative Saiki, by request.
- 1443 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CLIMATE CHANGE MITIGATION."Introduced by: Representative Saiki, by request.
- 1444 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COUNTY GOVERNANCE."Introduced by: Representative Saiki, by request.
- 1445 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO UNLAWFUL CHOP SHOP ACTIVITY." Introduced by: Representative Saiki, by request.
- 1446 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT ACT."

Introduced by: Representative Saiki, by request.

- 1447 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LIFEGUARDS." Introduced by: Representative Saiki, by request.
- 1448 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TRAFFIC FINES." Introduced by: Representative Saiki, by request.
- 1449 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO JUNETEENTH DAY." Introduced by: Representative Saiki, by request.
- 1450 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE COUNTY TRANSIENT ACCOMMODATIONS TAX." Introduced by: Representative Saiki, by request.
- 1451 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CLIMATE CHANGE MITIGATION."
 Introduced by: Representative Saiki, by request.
- 1452 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION." Introduced by: Representative Saiki, by request.
- 1453 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS."
 - Introduced by: Representative Saiki, by request.
- 1454 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS."
 - Introduced by: Representative Saiki, by request.
- 1455 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ROBBERY IN THE FIRST DEGREE."
 Introduced by: Representative Saiki, by request.
- 1456 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THEFT IN THE SECOND DEGREE." Introduced by: Representative Saiki, by request.
- 1457 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ABUSE OF FAMILY OR HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS." Introduced by: Representative Saiki, by request.
- 1458 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL COMPLAINTS." Introduced by: Representative Saiki, by request.
- 1459 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO JUVENILE RESTITUTION."

Introduced by: Representative Saiki, by request.

 1460 "A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE VICTIM WITNESS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM."
Introduced by: Representative Saiki, by request.

- 1461 "A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE CAREER CRIMINAL PROSECUTION UNIT." Introduced by: Representative Saiki, by request.
- 1462 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO WITNESS FEES IN CRIMINAL CASES." Introduced by: Representative Saiki, by request.
- 1463 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EXECUTIVE PARDONS."Introduced by: Representative Saiki, by request.
- 1464 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CHILD TORTURE." Introduced by: Representative Saiki, by request.
- 1465 "A BILL FOR AN ACT PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE I, SECTION 25, OF THE HAWAII CONSTITUTION REGARDING CRIMES AGAINST MINORS."
 Introduced by: Representative Saiki, by request.
- 1466 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SEXUAL ASSAULT OF A MINOR." Introduced by: Representative Saiki, by request.
- 1467 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CHILD ABUSE." Introduced by: Representative Saiki, by request.
- 1468 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FIREARMS." Introduced by: Representative Saiki, by request.
- 1469 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO UNAUTHORIZED CONTROL OF A PROPELLED VEHICLE." Introduced by: Representative Saiki, by request.
- 1470 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS." Introduced by: Representative Saiki, by request.
- 1471 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO POLITICAL PARTIES." Introduced by: Representative Saiki, by request.
- 1472 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE WITHDRAWAL OF PETITION SIGNATURES." Introduced by: Representative Saiki, by request.
- 1473 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW." Introduced by: Representative Saiki, by request.
- 1474 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO INCREASING THE OFFICE OF HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS' PRO RATA SHARE OF THE PUBLIC LAND TRUST."

Introduced by: Representative Saiki, by request.

- 1475 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MANDATORY ETHICS TRAINING." Introduced by: Representative Saiki, by request.
- 1476 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FIRE PROTECTION." Introduced by: Representative Saiki, by request.
- 1477 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FIRE PROTECTION." Introduced by: Representative Saiki, by request.
- 1478 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC SAFETY." Introduced by: Representative Saiki, by request.
- 1479 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE REDUCED IGNITION PROPENSITY CIGARETTE PROGRAM." Introduced by: Representative Saiki, by request.
- 1480 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE REDUCED IGNITION PROPENSITY CIGARETTE PROGRAM." Introduced by: Representative Saiki, by request.

- 1481 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE REDUCED IGNITION PROPENSITY CIGARETTE PROGRAM." Introduced by: Representative Saiki, by request.
- 1482 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC SAFETY." Introduced by: Representative Saiki, by request.
- 1483 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FIREWORKS." Introduced by: Representative Saiki, by request.
- 1484 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES." Introduced by: Representative Saiki, by request.
- 1485 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LITTER CONTROL." Introduced by: Representatives Ilagan, Branco, Clark, Hashem, Hashimoto, Holt, Johanson, Kapela, Kitagawa, Lowen, Marten, McKelvey, Perruso, Takayama, Takumi, Tam, Tarnas, and Wildberger.
- 1486 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THEFT." Introduced by: Representatives Ilagan, Aquino, Branco, Clark, Hashem, Hashimoto, Holt, Johanson, Kitagawa, B. Kobayashi, Lowen, Marten, McKelvey, Nakashima, Nishimoto, Tam, and Tarnas.
- 1487 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII TOURISM AUTHORITY." Introduced by: Representatives Ilagan, Branco, Ganaden, Hashimoto, Johanson, Kapela, Kitagawa, B. Kobayashi, Lowen, Marten, McKelvey, Nakashima, Nishimoto, Tam, Tarnas, and Wildberger.
- 1488 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO RESIDENCE FOR TUITION PURPOSES."

Introduced by: Representatives Ilagan, Aquino, Branco, Clark, Hashem, Hashimoto, Holt, Johanson, Kitagawa, LoPresti, Lowen, Marten, Nakashima, Onishi, Perruso, Quinlan, Takayama, Takumi, Tam, Tarnas, Todd, Ward, Wildberger, Woodson, Ganaden, and Matayoshi.

- 1489 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE FOURTH REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT." Introduced by: Representative Ilagan.
- 1490 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION." Introduced by: Representative Yamashita.
- 1491 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE CIGARETTE TAX AND TOBACCO TAX LAW." Introduced by: Representative Yamashita.
- 1492 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION." Introduced by: Representative Yamashita.
- 1493 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE TAX ADMINISTRATION SPECIAL FUND." Introduced by: Representative Yamashita.
- 1494 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SPECIAL ENFORCEMENT SECTION." Introduced by: Representative Yamashita.
- 1495 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MOTION PICTURE, DIGITAL MEDIA, AND FILM PRODUCTION." Introduced by: Representatives Quinlan, Ganaden, Hashimoto, Holt, Ilagan, Matayoshi, McKelvey, Nakamura, Ohno, Onishi, and Sayama.
- 1496 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EMERGENCY POWERS." Introduced by: Representatives Quinlan, Hashimoto, and Holt.

- 1497 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO INVASIVE SPECIES." Introduced by: Representatives Quinlan, Kitagawa, Marten, Tarnas, and Matayoshi.
- 1498 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO OCCUPATIONAL LICENSING."Introduced by: Representative Quinlan.
- 1499 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD SAFETY." Introduced by: Representatives Quinlan, Clark, Ilagan, and Morikawa.
- 1500 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PEER-TO-PEER CAR SHARING."

Introduced by: Representatives Quinlan and Ilagan.

- 1501 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII NATURAL ENERGY INSTITUTE." Introduced by: Representatives Tam, Marten, and Perruso.
- 1502 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SAFE NEIGHBORHOODS." Introduced by: Representative Tam.
- 1503 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE MINIMUM WAGE." Introduced by: Representatives Kapela, Hashem, Ilagan, LoPresti, Lowen, Marten, Mizuno, Perruso, Takumi, Tam, Woodson, and Wildberger.
- 1504 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PAID SICK LEAVE." Introduced by: Representatives Kapela, Ganaden, Ilagan, LoPresti, Lowen, Marten, Perruso, Takumi, Tam, and Woodson.
- 1505 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION." Introduced by: Representatives Kapela, Ganaden, Hashem, Ichiyama, Ilagan, Lowen, Marten, Perruso, Takumi, Tarnas, and Todd.
- 1506 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FAMILY LEAVE." Introduced by: Representatives Kapela, Ganaden, Ilagan, LoPresti, Lowen, Marten, Perruso, Takumi, and Tam.
- 1507 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TAX FAIRNESS." Introduced by: Representatives Kapela, Ganaden, Ilagan, LoPresti, Perruso, and Quinlan.
- 1508 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO REGENERATIVE TOURISM."Introduced by: Representatives Kapela, Eli, Ganaden, Ichiyama,

Ilagan, LoPresti, Lowen, McKelvey, Nakamura, Perruso, Quinlan, Takumi, Tam, Tarnas, Belatti, and Nakashima.

- 1509 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LAW ENFORCEMENT." Introduced by: Representatives Kapela, Clark, Ganaden, Ilagan, LoPresti, McKelvey, Perruso, Tam, and Wildberger.
- 1510 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TEACHERS."

Introduced by: Representatives Kapela, Branco, Eli, Ganaden, Hashem, Ilagan, LoPresti, Lowen, McKelvey, Nishimoto, Perruso, Takumi, Tam, Tarnas, Todd, Tokioka, Wildberger, and Woodson.

1511 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TEACHER COMPENSATION." Introduced by: Representatives Kapela, Branco, Ganaden,

Hashem, Ilagan, LoPresti, Lowen, Mizuno, Nakamura, Nishimoto, Perruso, Tam, Tarnas, Todd, Tokioka, Wildberger, and Woodson.

1512 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO GREEN FEES."

Introduced by: Representatives Kapela, Ganaden, Ilagan, LoPresti, Perruso, Quinlan, Takumi, Tam, Tarnas, Wildberger, and Mizuno.

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1513 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE LOW-INCOME HOUSEHOLD RENTERS TAX CREDIT."

> Introduced by: Representatives Kapela, Aquino, Branco, Ganaden, Hashem, Ilagan, LoPresti, Lowen, Marten, McKelvey, Nishimoto, Perruso, Takumi, Tarnas, Tokioka, Wildberger, Woodson, and Tam.

- 1514 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO BIRDS." Introduced by: Representatives Branco, Belatti, Clark, Ganaden, Hashem, Ichiyama, Ilagan, Johanson, Kitagawa, Matayoshi, Morikawa, Nishimoto, Ohno, Onishi, Quinlan, Sayama, Takayama, Tarnas, and Todd.
- 1515 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AIRCRAFT." Introduced by: Representatives Branco, Clark, Hashimoto, Holt, Ichiyama, Ilagan, Johanson, Kitagawa, B. Kobayashi, Marten, Matayoshi Nakashima Nishimoto, Ohno, Onishi Perruso, Tamas
- Matayoshi, Nakashima, Nishimoto, Ohno, Onishi, Perruso, Tarnas, Wildberger, and Ganaden. 1516 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO REGULATION."
 - Introduced by: Representatives Branco, Hashem, Hashimoto, Ichiyama, Ilagan, Johanson, Kitagawa, B. Kobayashi, Lowen, Marten, Morikawa, Nakamura, Nakashima, Nishimoto, Ohno, Perruso, and Matayoshi.
- 1517 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COFFEE." Introduced by: Representatives Lowen, Branco, Hashem, Hashimoto, Ichiyama, Ilagan, Johanson, Kapela, Kitagawa, LoPresti, Marten, Matayoshi, Morikawa, Nakamura, Nishimoto, Perruso, Tam, Tarnas, Wildberger, and Ganaden.
- 1518 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ANTS."

Introduced by: Representatives Lowen, Branco, Clark, Ganaden, Hashem, Hashimoto, Ichiyama, Ilagan, Kapela, Kitagawa, LoPresti, Marten, Matayoshi, McKelvey, Morikawa, Nakamura, Nakashima, Nishimoto, Ohno, Perruso, Quinlan, Takumi, Tam, Tarnas, Tokioka, and Wildberger.

1519 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SUNSCREEN."

Introduced by: Representatives Lowen, Branco, Clark, Ganaden, Ichiyama, Ilagan, Johanson, Kapela, LoPresti, Marten, Nakamura, Nakashima, Ohno, Perruso, Quinlan, Takumi, Tarnas, Wildberger, and Tam.

- 1520 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MOPEDS." Introduced by: Representatives Lowen, Clark, Eli, Holt, Ichiyama, Ilagan, Johanson, Kapela, Kitagawa, LoPresti, Marten, Morikawa, Nishimoto, Onishi, Perruso, Tam, Tarnas, Wildberger, and Woodson.
- 1521 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ENERGY." Introduced by: Representatives Lowen, Aquino, Branco, Clark, Ganaden, Hashem, Hashimoto, Ichiyama, Ilagan, Kapela, Kitagawa, LoPresti, Marten, Matayoshi, McKelvey, Nakamura, Nakashima, Ohno, Perruso, Quinlan, Takumi, Tam, Tarnas, Wildberger, Woodson, and Tokioka.
- 1522 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CLIMATE MITIGATION." Introduced by: Representatives Lowen, Branco, Ganaden, Holt, Ichiyama, Ilagan, Johanson, Kapela, Kitagawa, LoPresti, Marten, Nakamura, Perruso, Tam, Tarnas, Wildberger, and Woodson.
- 1523 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO RENEWABLE ENERGY."

Introduced by: Representatives Lowen, Branco, Clark, Hashem, Hashimoto, Holt, Ichiyama, Ilagan, Johanson, Kapela, Kitagawa, LoPresti, Marten, McKelvey, Morikawa, Nakamura, Nakashima, Quinlan, Tam, Tarnas, Wildberger, Woodson, Ganaden, and Takumi. 1524 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ENERGY RESOURCES."

Introduced by: Representative Lowen.

- 1525 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PROCUREMENT." Introduced by: Representatives Perruso, Aquino, Branco, Ganaden, Hashem, Ilagan, Kapela, Lowen, McKelvey, Nakashima, Tam, Woodson, and Matayoshi.
- 1526 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ORGANIC WASTE." Introduced by: Representatives Perruso, Branco, Ganaden, Hashem, Ilagan, Kapela, Lowen, Tam, and Woodson.
- 1527 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE." Introduced by: Representatives Perruso, Branco, Ganaden, Hashem, Ilagan, Kapela, LoPresti, Lowen, McKelvey, Morikawa, Nakashima, Quinlan, Tam, and Wildberger.
- 1528 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COMPOSTING." Introduced by: Representatives Perruso, Clark, Hashem, Kapela, Lowen, McKelvey, Morikawa, Nakashima, Onishi, Tam, Wildberger, Woodson, Branco, and Quinlan.
- 1529 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FARMER EQUITY." Introduced by: Representatives Perruso, Branco, Cullen, Ganaden, Hashem, Ilagan, Kapela, Kitagawa, Lowen, Morikawa, Nakashima, Onishi, Tam, Tarnas, and Wildberger.
- 1530 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PESTICIDES." Introduced by: Representatives Perruso, Cullen, Ganaden, Kapela, LoPresti, Lowen, McKelvey, Quinlan, Takumi, Tam, and Wildberger.
- 1531 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COLLECTIVE BARGAINING." Introduced by: Representatives Perruso, Ganaden, Ichiyama, Ilagan, Kapela, Lowen, Takumi, Tam, Tarnas, Tokioka, Wildberger, and LoPresti.
- 1532 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE STADIUM AUTHORITY."

Introduced by: Representatives Ward and Ilagan.

1533 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO STATE PURCHASES." Introduced by: Representatives Ward, Ilagan, and Nakashima.

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS

The following resolution (H.R. No. 1) and concurrent resolutions (H.C.R. Nos. 1 and 2) were announced by the Clerk and the following action taken:

H.R. No. 1, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION RELATING TO THE ASSIGNMENTS COMMITTEE OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE THIRTY-FIRST LEGISLATURE," resolving that Linda Clark shall be Vice Chair of the Higher Education & Technology Committee and a member of the Education Committee, Housing Committee, and Transportation Committee, and that except as amended by this Resolution, all appointments and committee memberships of the House of Representatives as set forth in H.R. No. 4 and H.R. No. 163 adopted by the House of Representatives of the Thirty-first Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2021, shall remain in full force and effect, was offered by Representative Belatti.

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.R. No. 1 was adopted.

H.C.R. No. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION RELATING TO RECESS DAYS FOR THE REGULAR SESSION OF 2022," resolving that the dates of the mandatory recess for the Regular Session of 2022 are hereby determined to be the 24th, 25th, and 28th days of February and 1st and 2nd days of March, on which dates the Regular Session of 2022 shall be recessed; and the dates of the recesses other than the dates of the mandatory recess for the Regular Session of 2022 are hereby determined to be the 25th and 27th days of January, the 7th and 9th days of March, the 11th, 13th, and 27th days of April, and the 2nd and 4th days of May, on which dates the Regular Session of 2022 shall be recessed, was jointly offered by Representatives Saiki and Mizuno.

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Okimoto and carried, H.C.R. No. 1 was adopted.

H.C.R. No. 2, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE GOVERNOR TO ADDRESS THE LEGISLATURE CONCERNING THE AFFAIRS OF THE STATE," resolving that the Governor of Hawaii is requested to address the Legislature pursuant to article V, section 5 of the Hawaii State Constitution at 10:00 a.m. on Monday, January 24, 2022; and that the Governor is requested to deliver the address to the Legislature remotely from the Executive Chambers, was jointly offered by Representatives Saiki and Mizuno.

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Okimoto and carried, H.C.R. No. 2 was adopted.

At this time, the Speaker delivered his address, stating:

"Members, the Chair has some brief remarks. The title of this speech is Justice. Justice. So, I wanted to just start off by saying that over the past two years, Hawaii has worked together to overcome great challenges. It is a reflection of the public's resilience and sense of community. But it is also a reflection of your work here in the Legislature and in your neighborhoods.

"I know that the past seven months have not been easy for you and your constituents. Just when we thought the pandemic was over, the surge overcame all of us. I know that you have worked in your communities to vaccinate and test thousands and thousands of people.

"On September 17, 1959, one month after statehood, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. visited Hawaii and spoke here in the House of Representatives. He spoke of his work in other states and recognized Hawaii as a noble example in the area of racial harmony and racial justice. It has been 62 years since that speech. And as you know, Dr. King's teachings extended beyond race and included economic and environmental justice. It is time to reassess Dr. King's observation about Hawaii and to articulate what we can do to advance his call for justice.

"In January 2020, we were prepared to enact a proposal that would have increased the minimum wage and provided more tax relief to working families. This proposal followed a report conducted by the Aloha United Way that found that 47% of Hawaii's families were financially distressed and simply could not make it here. But six weeks later, the legislative session was suspended when the state was shut down and we were forced to defer action on our ambitious agenda.

"Since that time, I stated publicly that the House would revisit a wage proposal when conditions improved. Well, conditions have improved, and it is now time for us to act. Through the work of Representatives Onishi and Sayama, the House will advance legislation to increase the hourly minimum wage to \$18, increase the food tax credit, and make the earned income tax credit refundable and permanent. This package will give a family an additional \$33,600 in income.

"But we know that wages alone will not lift working families. Families cannot afford housing and need help. And regrettably, the demographic group that has been hardest hit and most priced out of housing is Native Hawaiians. We will appropriate \$600 million to enable beneficiaries of the Hawaiian Home Lands trust to acquire their own homes. Through Representative Holt and Representative Eli, who is the only Hawaiian Home Lands beneficiary in the House, the Hawaii Affairs Caucus will play a leading role on this historic piece of legislation. Members, it is time to give the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands the resources it needs to fulfill its fiduciary duty.

"Cultural justice requires the restoration of cultural practices. The House will expand community-based efforts to restore fish ponds and lo'i, repatriate cultural artifacts, teach financial literacy, and provide cultural training to the military. Related to this is the issue of tourism management. We need to take action now before our visitor count again reaches 10 million people. We need to better incorporate culture into tourism because by doing so, this will also protect our natural resources. We will do this by relying on initiatives and organizations that can assist the Hawaii Tourism Authority.

"Last year, the House created a working group to propose a new governance structure for Mauna Kea. Through the work of Representatives Nakashima, Tarnas, Cullen, and Eli, and 11 community members, the House will advance a proposal that will create a management structure that will care for Mauna Kea above the 6,500-foot elevation line through an integrated, culturally, and environmentally conscious approach.

"When it comes to the environment, just two words exemplify the need for environmental justice: Red Hill. In December, the House called for the defueling and decommissioning of Red Hill. We will reiterate that call for action. The House will not allow the military to put the aquifer that supplies water to all of Oahu's residents at risk. Representatives Yamane, Lowen, Tarnas, Ohno, Ichiyama, Johanson, Ganaden, and Matsumoto began work a few weeks ago to monitor state and military progress on Red Hill. We will continue that work through the formation of a special committee on Red Hill. Its emphasis will be the containment, remediation, and prevention of contamination. And we will continue to insist that the federal government must be responsible for Red Hill costs. State taxpayers should not be asked to pay for this cleanup.

"So, members, this year, the House is proposing unprecedented legislation that, taken together, will help over 100,000 households, provide homes, and restore cultural practices that ordinary people have fought for and even died for throughout their lives. As I've said before, the House of Representatives is a leader on policy. We must continue to be that force for needed change. Like Dr. King, we cannot hesitate to institute reform so that we can achieve justice. Thank you very much and have a productive session."

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

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Mr. Speaker, Majority Leader Belatti, friends, colleagues, and members of the public who are watching online, good morning and *aloha*. This is the first time I've had the privilege of standing before you and addressing you on Opening Day as the representative from District 36 and now as the minority leader.

"My staff knows all too well how difficult these speeches can be for me. The difficulty comes when I reflect on the last four years and how much I want to include in these moments. I remember how different my first session was and how hopeful I was. I had so much to say back then, and now there is too much to say. Over the last two years, the challenges have been extraordinary, but so have our communities and our people.

"First and foremost, I want to say thank you, thank you to our people and to their unwavering spirit. They have fought to lead Hawaii's comeback and recovery from the pandemic. They have made great sacrifices to keep their children educated and in school, change their business models to fit a post-COVID world, and tolerated and adapted to ever-changing mandates and regulations.

"Today, the Legislature opens to a state that needs our leadership more than ever to fight as hard as they have to ensure our future for our children. I am confident that this body is ready for the challenges. And this is why, during one of the most economic downturns in Hawaii history, our Finance Committee moved at an incredible pace to pave the way for our economic recovery, ensure crucial funding during interim, all while still crafting a balanced budget that reflects the values that this state believes in.

"While Finance was doing their diligence with the state budget, our committees on Water & Land and Energy & Environmental Protection make crucial strides towards protecting the critical resources that our state is so beloved for. I mentioned this not to boast of great victories, but because we convene today, not under the shadow of a prolonged period hardship, but under the light of resilience and responsibility, a shared responsibility each of us has to make. That the tragedies we have all gone through are hard life lessons that must be applied to solutions and not just headlines.

"On January 9th, 1790, long before these beautiful islands became a state, George Washington penned a letter to writer and historian Catharine Macaulay that included the sentence, 'The establishment of our new Government seemed to be the last great experiment, for promoting human happiness, by reasonable compact, in civil Society.'

"Through that great experiment, there are many who believe that the experiment has failed. They couldn't be more wrong. They let perfection, or rather their idea of perfection, be the enemy of good. This state isn't perfect, and it will never be. And that is the beauty of it. It can be ever changing, it can adapt and overcome.

"We carry that mantle today in these halls that are constructed to represent that belief of a more perfect union, because the pursuit of happiness is both noble and necessary. Our constituents sent us so we could prove those words right, even in the face of seemingly insurmountable challenges and unfathomable loss.

"Although our state, like the entire country, feels more divided than ever, I have never seen our islands, our people, as united in their vision for their future. We have so much more in common than what divides us, and we feel that the most when we are at home. Whether home is a rental apartment in town, a family ranch nestled in the green rolling hills of Waimea, *nani o Waimea* \bar{e} , or a house that exists in a price range you can afford. Every Hawaiian wants and deserves many of the same things. A safe, reliable place to lay your head to rest. A stable income that allows you to provide for yourself and your family. A life free from violence and discrimination. The sad reality is that far too many Hawaiians have been left behind, and ultimately we are here to change that, to do our part in making sure every person is able to achieve the life and future they envisioned for themselves and their families, to help protect their pursuit of happiness. Therefore, I am really excited for Speaker Saiki's announcement today.

"It has been somewhat cliché for the minority leader to declare on opening day that this upcoming session will be the most consequential in history. That declaration has never felt more appropriate. As we begin the 2022 Legislative Session, with the public left outside government transparency, this has never been more important as we begin to shape Hawaii's future.

"The public's absence in these halls cannot go understated. We are opposed, nay, we must make transformational changes to drastically increase the supply of affordable housing, to expand our workforce, to invest in responsible development, and to stabilize our behavioral health system that has been struggling to help our most vulnerable, and to finally get ahold on the mental health epidemic that plagues our homeless population.

"We will be talking about how to best invest in our most important asset, our children, to make sure they have the education, training, and support that their futures need. We must support small businesses, grow our state's economy, and make sure that our recovery continues to lift up all Hawaii. How can we possibly do that without our people?

"One of the most important lessons I have learned as a legislator is to make the most of every opportunity because a second chance is never guaranteed, and tomorrow is never promised. Each of us will eventually walk out of this chamber for a final time, and once we've said goodbye, our legacy won't be measured by the titles we collect or the size of our office. Our legacy will be measured by all the ways that our people will feel from the choices we make for years to come and the ways they experience what we do with this opportunity to be public servants.

"It is the Hawaiian 'ohana that was able to pull themselves from the brink of homelessness and keep a roof over their heads because we choose to invest in affordable housing. It is the small business owner who keeps their doors open and their employees on the payroll because we created problems that help them weather tough times. It is the young men and women who start to put future as a priority that they can achieve because we work together today to ensure that they have opportunities our parents wanted for us. It is the combat veteran who comes home from deployment and is able to enjoy the freedoms they fought to protect because we fought for them in the Capitol. It is the girl who grew up next to cane fields and blue oceans who ensures that anything is possible and that she will never be Hawaii's last.

"Our legacy will be measured not by whether or not we resolved all our problems in 60 days, but by how we use 60 days to relentlessly pursue a more perfect union.

"This session, especially as the demands of legislating puts us to the test, we cannot lose sight of the fact that Hawaii's future gets brighter when we confront our challenges with the relentless optimism that better is possible, but better will only be possible if we can be honest with ourselves, to admit shortcomings, and to fix the mistakes we've made. We have to choose if we are going to do this in our best interest or the best interest of the people. Let's make that choice together.

"Before I close, and for you all from my soapbox, I want to close by expressing my gratitude. We would not be here today if it were not for the first responders, the doctors, nurses, law enforcement, EMS professionals, and so many more who have made it their mission to help keep Hawaii safe and healthy. We are indebted to them for their service.

"I want to publicly thank my two girls, Rebekah and Emma, for their love and support. I am also grateful for my parents, my friends and loved ones, and to District 36. Thank you for putting your trust in me to represent our community. Majority Leader Belatti and Speaker Saiki, thank you for your collaboration and your commitment to service. I look forward to continuing our work together in leadership. Friends, colleagues, I am with you, let's get to work. *Mahalo*."

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

"Thank you Mr. Speaker, Mr. Vice Speaker, House Minority Leader Okimoto, to all the members of the House of Representatives, and our hardworking staff for this opportunity to address you, and more importantly, to address the people of Hawaii on this auspicious moment. To all of you who are viewing this from your work computer, from home, from school, on your mobile devices, thank you for tuning in to be a part of this day, even though we are not able to welcome you here in person.

"It is hard to believe that we are heading into the third year of this global pandemic. It has disrupted lives, workplaces, and homes. Economic disruption, uncertainty, and pivoting has become the norm.

"One of the biggest highlights and takeaways for me about this pandemic has been how you, the people of Hawaii, have come together as communities across our state to help each other navigate through this storm. I'm going to do something that I shouldn't do, I'm going to mention some agencies, and I know I will have left out some organizations. But as we planned for this moment a month and a half ago, I imagined this room filled with representatives from the community, from places like the Hawaii Community Foundation, Aloha United Way, Council for Native Hawaiian Advancement, Hope Services Hawaii, Catholic Charities Hawaii, Maui Economic Opportunity, Kauai Economic Opportunity, Hawaii Food Bank, all of these rooms filled with people and communities that have helped us weather through this storm.

"We know that navigating this time has not been easy. We are not naive in thinking that this pandemic has treated people equally. We understand and know that inequities that existed previously have only been exacerbated. Today, our Speaker has laid out an ambitious agenda to address these inequities, these inequalities, and to march towards justice.

"We, the Hawaii House of Representatives, are committed to tackling these long standing issues, to reinvest in our communities, to ensure that we have the infrastructure, the social service programs, the schools and the teachers that will build the capacity of our people, our greatest asset. We are here to recommit to our hardworking families and individuals who make our government, businesses, and communities run.

"I'd like to share a little something with you. We have a lot of organizations that bring us ideas and thoughts and agendas and their priorities. But I want to point out one group, Aina Aloha Economic Futures, you can find it at ainaalohafutures.com. This group did a presentation to the Speaker's COVID committee over a year ago. They gathered thousands of people before this day, before this opening day, and they said, these are the things we need to do. We need to achieve circular economies that prioritize environmental and climate resilience. We need to encourage the development of regenerative business opportunities, including working with all tourism and communities to develop regenerative tourism. We need to address and empower historically marginalized and disempowered populations to advance economic equity. "We join today with the thousands who have already come together to commit to these things. We will take the next 60 legislative days. There will be ups and downs. There will be discussions, there will be caucuses, there will be hearing and testimonies. And we welcome, we welcome all of you to come and participate. And we will revisit the reopening of our State Capitol. We will revisit the reopening of the people's House. Because it is in person, it is together, and now it is virtually how we can commit to each other. Mr. Speaker, to the House of Representatives, thank you for this opportunity and I look forward to the work of the next 60 days. *Aloha*."

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Representative Ward: "Mr. Speaker, my announcement today is to mark this day as a historical day in the history of the people of Hawaii. I'm not referring to 1959, when Martin Luther King was noted, but from 1920 when the Hawaiian Homes Commission was founded. And Mr. Speaker, what came out today, I think is going to be a new day for the people of Hawaii, particularly the Hawaiian community that's on the waitlist that is now 28,000 people strong. Thank you for what you're doing. And I urge all of my colleagues to get behind, to keep the word to the Hawaiian community, which after 100 years has been lacking.

"So, thank you, Mr. Speaker. *Mahalo*. This is a day that's going to go down in history as marking a turning point for 100 years of neglect to facing it straight on. Genuinely, thank you. And for the Chair of Finance, thank you. And for all of us, this is a day that we could really fulfill a promise that we've given, but we've broken, and now we're going to turn the tide. So, *mahalo nui loa*."

Representative Kong: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. As many know, my office manager, Crystal Kionia, is a Tongan. And it just so happens now my legislative aide, Yehenara Soukop, is also Tongan. In fact, she's the reigning Miss Tonga of Hawaii. And it just so happens, these leis, these beautiful leis that adom my neck, are also Tongan. So, I ask this body to truly remember Tonga and their people in your hearts and especially in your prayers as we await to hear news from that beautiful, lovely island nation. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

ADJOURNMENT

At 10:42 a.m., on motion by Representative Morikawa, seconded by Representative Matsumoto and carried, the House of Representatives adjourned until noon tomorrow, Thursday, January 20, 2022.