

FOURTEENTH DAY

Wednesday, February 9, 2022

The House of Representatives of the Thirty-First Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2022, convened at 12:13 p.m., with Speaker Saiki presiding.

The invocation was delivered by Representative Linda Ichiyama, after which the Roll was called showing all members present, with Representatives Har, D. Kobayashi, LoPresti, Matayoshi, Perruso, and Wildberger participating remotely via videoconference, and with the exception of Representative McDermott, who was excused.

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

ORDER OF THE DAY

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Representative Woodson, for the Committee on Education, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 105-22) recommending that H.B. No. 2129, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Labor & Tourism.

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2129, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FOR TEACHERS," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Labor & Tourism, with Representatives Luke and McDermott being excused.

Representative Tarnas, for the Committee on Water & Land, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 106-22) recommending that H.B. No. 1653, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs.

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1653, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AQUATIC RESOURCES," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, with Representatives Luke and McDermott being excused.

Representative Gates, for the Committee on Culture, Arts, & International Affairs, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 107-22) recommending that H.B. No. 2475, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs.

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2475, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO STATE HOLIDAYS," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, with Representatives Luke and McDermott being excused.

Representative Aquino, for the Committee on Transportation, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 108-22) recommending that H.B. No. 1953, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1953, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CONCESSIONS," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, with Representatives Luke and McDermott being excused.

Representative Aquino, for the Committee on Transportation, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 109-22) recommending that H.B. No. 1619, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and

H.B. No. 1619, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PEER-TO-PEER CAR-SHARING INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, with Representatives Luke and McDermott being excused.

Representative Quinlan, for the Committee on Economic Development, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 110-22) recommending that H.B. No. 1516 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1516, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO REGULATION," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, with Representatives Luke and McDermott being excused.

Representative Quinlan, for the Committee on Economic Development, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 111-22) recommending that H.B. No. 1592 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

Representative Belatti moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 1592 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

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

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

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

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1592, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AN INTERSTATE COMPACT TO PHASE OUT CORPORATE WELFARE," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, with Representative Matsumoto voting aye with reservations, with Representatives Okimoto and Ward voting no, and with Representatives Luke and McDermott being excused.

Representative Quinlan, for the Committee on Economic Development, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 112-22) recommending that H.B. No. 1407 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

Representative Belatti moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 1407 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Clark rose in opposition to the measure and asked that her written remarks be inserted in the Journal, and the Chair "so ordered."

Representative Clark's written remarks are as follows:

"Queen's Health System testified against this bill, HB 1407, because it would face an annual increase in expense of \$3 million should this bill be enacted. This would directly and negatively affect Molokai General Hospital, the only hospital on the island of Molokai, which is a part of my district."

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

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

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

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1407, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE GENERAL EXCISE TAX," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, with Representatives Kapela, Okimoto, and Ward voting aye with reservations, with Representative Clark voting no, and with Representatives Luke and McDermott being excused.

Representative Quinlan, for the Committee on Economic Development, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 113-22) recommending that H.B. No. 1960 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

Representative Belatti moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 1960 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

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

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Request a ruling on a potential conflict. I work for a non-profit," and the Chair ruled, "no conflict," and that the ruling would extend through *sine die*.

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1960, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, with Representatives Luke and McDermott being excused.

Representative Quinlan, for the Committee on Economic Development, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 114-22) recommending that H.B. No. 1828, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs.

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1828, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE TAXATION BOARD OF REVIEW," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, with Representatives Luke and McDermott being excused.

Representative Quinlan, for the Committee on Economic Development, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 115-22) recommending that H.B. No. 2437 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Health, Human Services, & Homelessness.

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2437, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Health, Human Services, & Homelessness, with Representatives Luke and McDermott being excused.

Representative Quinlan, for the Committee on Economic Development, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 116-22) recommending that H.B. No. 2219 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

Representative Belatti moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 2219 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, 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."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2219, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO A BANK OF THE STATE OF HAWAII," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, with Representative Okimoto voting with reservations, and with Representatives Luke and McDermott being excused.

Representative Quinlan, for the Committee on Economic Development, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 117-22) recommending that H.B. No. 1962, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs and the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

Representative Belatti moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 1962, HD 1 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs and the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

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

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

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. In strong support. Yesterday I gave a speech that was written 40 years ago about the plight of the Hawaiians and the hope that they had in the creation upon OHA. I've had a lot of people come up to me and tell me it was a great speech, thank you, everybody. But one that really got to me said, it was a great speech, but it was really sad that to see the hope they had 40 years ago, and nothing happened. Nothing happened.

"So, here we are 40 years later. One of the lines in the speech is that the dream of salvation is founded upon the belief that the Hawaiian will one day control his own destiny. Last year, they wanted to pass a bill to possibly do some casino to fund DHHL. We didn't pass it. It was approved by the commission this year, this study is approved by the commission, the Hawaiian Homes Commission, and I just hope that we can put it back into our own hands. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

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

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

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

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

"Mr. Speaker, no vote, brief comment. Mr. Speaker, this is a good shot across the bow which says, hey, we need money. We're DHHL, we don't have enough money, as the previous speaker from downtown said. We had hopes and then the funding would go and hopefully the \$600 million that's on its way will not be interrupted or diverted or detoured.

"But Mr. Speaker, gambling is not the way to fund the Hawaiian Homes Commission. This is not the right way, but it's kind of like, hey, we'll take anything we can get. But this is not the legitimate way for this body to treat the people who are the host culture, the ones who have waited 100 years for housing, the ones who have actually been very patient, very gentle. But to say we've got to put in gambling to do that, the quick fix is the wrong way to go. We have got to more genuinely look them straight in the eye and say, look, you deserve this, we're going to fund you legitimately. We're not going to do it on a crap shoot, we're not going to do it on the game of chance, which this is.

"So, with that, Mr. Speaker, good intention but it's a shot across the bow saying, hey, we need money. And I totally agree with that. But in terms of the methodology of it, I totally disagree. Thank you."

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

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

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise in support. Mr. Speaker, I agree, gaming can be dangerous. We have issues with gambling. People have lost their houses, families. I get that, I get that. This bill is for a study. And whether you're for gambling or not, the simple fact remains, people in Hawaii take 300,000 visits a year to Las Vegas, Nevada. People of Hawaii spend approximately \$1 billion in Las Vegas, Nevada, every year.

"Again, I'm not saying gambling is bad or good, but it is legal in 48 other states. I don't know where this will go, but I think a study will probably look

at the pros and cons and tell us maybe gambling is not good for Hawaii. But I'd like to see that study done so at least we know. For those reasons, I support this measure. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

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

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

"No vote and a brief comment. Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I appreciate what this is trying to do for the Native Hawaiian community. But we already know what the studies have shown, and that is that gambling is one of the leading causes of bankruptcy amongst families right now. And I get that many people will fly to Las Vegas to gamble, but at least they have a round trip ticket to come back so they can build back some of the funds that they lost and for their family. And for those reasons, I'm still going to be a no vote."

Representative Holt rose to respond, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Second time. At the base of this, I understand it's about gambling, but I'll read it one more time. The dream of salvation is founded on the belief that the Hawaiian will one day control his own destiny. His own destiny. Mr. Speaker, I thank you for putting forth the \$600 million for DHHL, but this is their plan. This is how they want to fund the housing. So, we're saying that we're just going to tell them what to do? That whenever we feel like we're going to fund them, we're going to give them money? So, why do we have a department, then? We should just get rid of the department. The commission should just go away."

"Forty years, Mr. Speaker. I know this is not OHA. DHHL has been around for 100 years, 100 years, people dying on the list. Anybody else go to the gaming conference this year? I did because I went to go find about all the ails of gambling. No, they don't exist. Las Vegas doesn't want Hawaii to gamble. No, that's not the truth. I went, I talked to these guys."

"We're just going to sit here and talk about bankruptcy. What about all the bankrupt Hawaiians? What are we doing to help them? We're making like gambling doesn't exist. HPD has testified that there's 70 to 100 game rooms on Oahu at any given time. What are we doing about that? Do we have any gambling mitigation in place? Hawaiians are going into bankruptcy. Everybody's going into bankruptcy. What is our solutions, Mr. Speaker? Yesterday we've got, trying not to transfer lands to DHHL. We always have excuses not to do it. What is our excuse to do it? When are we going to help? Thank you."

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

"Mr. Speaker, I rise in support. When we say that a lot of folks from Hawaii like to go to Las Vegas, it's very true. But they're also moving there. Why? Because they don't have homes. Many of those families, hundreds, if not thousands, locals, Native Hawaiians are alike. And I believe that while gambling may not be a golden ticket, it might not be a perfect answer, it's something that the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands is requesting that we study. I think that's really worthy of studying, investing in the money to do that."

"Like the previous speakers have mentioned, it's no secret that gambling is prevalent in Hawaii. I think it's going to happen anyway. We might as well regulate it safely, responsibly, in a way that mitigates the social negatives that come with gambling and try to take all the advantages of gambling and dedicate that to a worthy cause to create homes for our local families, our Native Hawaiian families who've been waiting for years, generations, really. So, with that, I stand in support. Thank you."

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

"Mr. Speaker, in support. Thank you very much. I voted many times against gambling bills on this very floor. But what this bill asks for specifically, in bold print, study the feasibility of revenue generation from limited casino gaming, and address the potential public health and safety concerns arising from limited casino gaming. That's what it says in the bill. So, I don't think we can make bad decisions with too much information. And for those reasons, I support this bill. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

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

"Strong support. I think the Vice Chair of Economic Development hit the nail on the head. This is an issue of self-determination, the commission voted on it, the commission wants it, and that is why I support it. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

Representative Kapela rose to respond, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Still in opposition. Hawaii is home to over 2,500 unique and individual sex trafficking survivors. These are women and children who are victimized and trafficked here on our shores. And bringing in gambling will only make that number rise. If we care about women and children, then we need to ensure that gambling doesn't happen on our shores. And if we truly care about the future of Native Hawaiians, then we should be focusing on economic and social justice initiatives, not gambling with their futures."

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

"Thank you, in support. I just wanted to note that there are some legitimate concerns regarding the future of gaming within our state, which is why we should study those potential concerns and potential negative health outcomes, which is exactly what the study intends to do."

"I also did find it pretty ironic last year that many of the folks who came out to testify against the legalization of some sort of limited casino gaming are many of the same folks who support the legalization of marijuana. I think that there is a very distinct parallel between the two in that marijuana is already being consumed in Hawaii, but we're not stepping up as a regulator to capture that revenue, there are negative health outcomes but those health outcomes already exist. I feel like gaming is very similar in that anyone who wants to gamble within Hawaii is already gambling in Hawaii. The difference is, we are not stepping up as the regulator, we're relying on institutes like VICE to try and control these operations, but they're happening in all of our communities as is. Anyone who wants to gamble on an app can do so already with no consequences, but we are not capturing any of that tax revenue, we are not stepping up as a regulator, we are not collecting data."

"So, I believe a study like this, which again is just a study, and which could potentially discuss, out in the open, all of the potential negative outcomes and all of the positive outcomes, makes a lot of sense, in the same way that I think studying the impact of legalizing and regulating marijuana makes a lot of sense. That's all I have. Thank you."

Representative Ward rose to respond, stating:

"Second time in opposition. Mr. Speaker, for a few of us who have been here for a little while, particularly the old, the longest serving is underneath the clock to the left or at least to my left, he knows and I know that we've heard, we've been here, done this, the same old, same old. Study it, we're going to do it, we travel there, we do it. So, nothing is new, even though the need for revenue of DHHL is very real."

"But do we want to make the poorest community in Hawaii poorer? That's what this is going to do, 80% of all the people who gamble lose. So, if we only got the people and the dens for gambling, whether there be wherever they are on Oahu, let those guys carry on. And for those who say, well, we're foregoing revenue, if you look at the other states who did this, Mr. Speaker, they back out the appropriation from their departments and they fill it with gambling. Then when gambling goes down, they say, well look, we don't have any money."

"My point is, DHHL is going to lose money if this bill passes and gambling is legalized, because the states that have relied upon education say, oh, this is great for the *keiki*. As soon as the gambling revenue went down, they didn't replace it with actually executive budget. So, this is a lose-lose proposition. And again, for those who have been here for a while, this is kind of the same old, same old that we've gone through, and it's no different. What we've got to do is legitimately fund DHHL. That's what the whole argument is about. This is kind of like another way of getting our attention. As I said earlier, it's a shot across the bow. Pay attention to the Hawaiians. Keep our promise. Put the \$600 million that was in there steady as you go and every year, increase it. But gambling is a quick fix, it is the wrong way to go. Thank you."

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

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. With reservations and brief comments. Thank you, sir. I see this as not just a study. I've been around the block enough times to know that when a department says they want to do something and then they ask you for money to do a study, it's basically they're asking for a budget to create an argument for why they should be allowed to do what they already want to do or what they said they want to do. And I'm not interested in giving half a million-dollar budget to create a study that tells us the foregone conclusion of what they want the answer to be. So, I have little trust that that would actually happen. So, for now, I'm at reservations, but in the future, I can't see supporting this. Thank you."

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

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

"With reservations, Mr. Speaker, brief comment. I generally am against gambling and legalized gambling in Hawaii. I really consider it something of a regressive tax on the middle- and lower-income individuals living here. And whilst casino gambling, if we do legalize it in a limited capacity, it'll still go underground for the people who don't meet whatever qualifications we put in.

"So generally, again, I'm still against legalized gambling. I'm voting with reservations because this is just a study. But as the Representative from Ewa pointed out, studies typically go a certain way, they're almost like expert witnesses in law, they're going to go a certain way if the department wants it to go a certain way. I'm certainly going to keep an open mind as I read the study, but with reservations for now. Thank you."

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

"In support, Mr. Speaker. We love to use Hawaiian phrases to look across the ocean or travel or to search for knowledge. We love to use our Hawaiian words. We love to use our old *'ōlelo noeau* to generally support our arguments. But when it comes to Hawaiians actually looking for knowledge, you're going to use that against us.

"I remind everyone, this is a study. My community does not agree with gambling. But this is a study, this is an opportunity for information, and this is an opportunity for the Hawaiian people to self-determine their future. So, let's stop saying what is right or what is wrong for Hawaiians and let's let Hawaiians speak for themselves, because I'm getting tired of other people telling our people what is right. So, let's remember that. This is a study seeking knowledge. We always want other people to seek knowledge. *Mahalo.*"

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

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

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. In support, brief comments. I appreciate the passion from many of our members. At this time, Mr. Speaker, may I please incorporate the words of the Representative from Lihue, the Vice Chair of Economic Development, and the Representative from Kailua into the Journal as if they were my own. Thank you," and the Chair "so ordered." (By reference only.)

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1962, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO GAMBLING," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs and the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, with Representatives Gates, LoPresti, Marten, Matayoshi, McKelvey, Okimoto, and Tarnas voting aye with reservations, with Representatives Eli, Kapela, Perruso, Tam, and Ward voting no, and with Representatives Luke and McDermott being excused.

Representative Quinlan, for the Committee on Economic Development, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 118-22) recommending that

H.B. No. 2177, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

Representative Belatti moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 2177, HD 1 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

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

"This is requiring if you're young or old, that you are to file your taxes electronically. Mr. Speaker, I have reservations as my position. Some people in any district that we represent, number one, may not have a computer, and number two, may not be very savvy to be able to file by technology. I can see why our former colleague, who's now the head of taxation, would want to do this, because it makes their job much, much easier, and they can flag different difficulties, *et cetera*. But I think this is a little bit too much, too quick, unless they phase it in or have it, if you're a particular age you don't have to do it, I don't know. There's a better way to do it, and I'm not sure how many places in the rest of the country that they would require electronic filing. I know the IRS is nearing that, but whether the state should be doing that to me is very questionable. For those reasons, Mr. Speaker, reservations."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2177, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO STATE TAX ADMINISTRATION," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, with Representative Ward voting aye with reservations, and with Representatives Luke and McDermott being excused.

Representative Quinlan, for the Committee on Economic Development, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 119-22) recommending that H.B. No. 2178, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

Representative Belatti moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 2178, HD 1 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, 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."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2178, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TAX EXPENDITURE ACCOUNTABILITY," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, with Representative Okimoto voting aye with reservations, and with Representatives Luke and McDermott being excused.

Representative Quinlan, for the Committee on Economic Development, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 120-22) recommending that H.B. No. 2227, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2227, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE "MADE IN HAWAII" PROGRAM," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, with Representatives Luke and McDermott being excused.

Representative Ohno, for the Committee on Corrections, Military, & Veterans, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 121-22) recommending that H.B. No. 1650, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Health, Human Services, & Homelessness.

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1650, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO OFFENDER REENTRY," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Health, Human Services, & Homelessness, with Representatives Luke and McDermott being excused.

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1423, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO VIOLATIONS OF CAMPAIGN FINANCE LAW," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, with Representatives Luke and McDermott being excused.

Representative McKelvey, for the Committee on Government Reform, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 135-22) recommending that H.B. No. 1424, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs.

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1424, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CANDIDATE COMMITTEE AND NONCANDIDATE COMMITTEE ORGANIZATIONAL REPORTS," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, with Representatives Luke and McDermott being excused.

Representative McKelvey, for the Committee on Government Reform, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 136-22) recommending that H.B. No. 1568, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1568, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURE," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, with Representatives Luke and McDermott being excused.

Representative McKelvey, for the Committee on Government Reform, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 137-22) recommending that H.B. No. 1794, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Health, Human Services, & Homelessness.

Representative Belatti moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 1794, HD 1 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Health, Human Services, & Homelessness, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

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

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1794, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO OPIOIDS," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Health, Human Services, & Homelessness, with Representative Kapela voting aye with reservations, and with Representatives Luke and McDermott being excused.

Representative McKelvey, for the Committee on Government Reform, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 138-22) recommending that H.B. No. 1830, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1830, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO STATE SELF-INSURANCE AGAINST PROPERTY AND CASUALTY RISKS," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, with Representatives Luke and McDermott being excused.

Representative McKelvey, for the Committee on Government Reform, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 139-22) recommending that H.B. No. 1881, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs.

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1881, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CAMPAIGN FINANCE," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, with Representatives Luke and McDermott being excused.

Representative McKelvey, for the Committee on Government Reform, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 140-22) recommending that H.B. No. 1974, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1974, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PROCUREMENT," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, with Representatives Luke and McDermott being excused.

Representative Ichiyama, for the Committee on Pandemic & Disaster Preparedness, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 141-22) recommending that H.B. No. 1586, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Education.

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1586, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DISASTER RESPONSE," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Education, with Representatives Luke and McDermott being excused.

Representative Ichiyama, for the Committee on Pandemic & Disaster Preparedness, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 142-22) recommending that H.B. No. 1976, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1976, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HURRICANE PREPAREDNESS," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, with Representatives Luke and McDermott being excused.

Representative Ichiyama, for the Committee on Pandemic & Disaster Preparedness, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 143-22) recommending that H.B. No. 2302, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Higher Education & Technology.

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2302, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII SEA GRANT COLLEGE PROGRAM," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Higher Education & Technology, with Representatives Luke and McDermott being excused.

Representative Ichiyama, for the Committee on Pandemic & Disaster Preparedness, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 144-22) recommending that H.B. No. 2394, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Health, Human Services, & Homelessness.

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2394, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MEDICAID PATIENT CARE," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Health, Human Services, & Homelessness, with Representatives Luke and McDermott being excused.

Representative Ichiyama, for the Committee on Pandemic & Disaster Preparedness, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 145-22) recommending that H.B. No. 2501, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Labor & Tourism.

Representative Belatti moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 2501, HD 1 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Labor & Tourism, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

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

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

"In support with a brief comment. This bill should not be seen as a substitute to comprehensive paid sick leave. There are still 200,000 workers in the State of Hawaii that lack access to paid sick leave, and we need to change this. Thank you."

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

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2501, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PANDEMIC LEAVE," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Labor & Tourism, with Representative Matsumoto voting aye with reservations, with Representative Okimoto voting no, and with Representatives Luke and McDermott being excused.

Representative Lowen, for the Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 146-22) recommending that H.B. No. 2088, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2088, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FINANCING," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, with Representatives Luke and McDermott being excused.

THIRD READING

At this time, the Chair stated:

"This is a third reading measure, let's defer this one legislative day. So, we'll defer H.B. No. 2500 one legislative day."

H.B. No. 2500, HD 1:

By unanimous consent, action was deferred one legislative day.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Representative Marten: "Thank you. I just wanted to point out that there is some *keiki* art posted as you come into the building from the basement parking, and that is from some Arbor Day poster contests where the kids are expressing why they love trees and what the benefits are. And as we go through the session, there are numerous bills that are related to trees, and I hope that they inspire you. *Aloha*."

At this time, the Chair stated:

"Just a reminder to members of today's triple referral filing deadline. For any bills moving from their first committees to their second committees in a triple referral, you must file the committee reports with the Chief Clerk's Office by 6:00 p.m. this evening and please allow yourselves and your staff sufficient time to meet the 6:00 p.m. deadline."

COMMITTEE REASSIGNMENTS

The following measure was re-referred to committee by the Speaker:

H.B.

No.

Re-referred to:

2470 Committee on Economic Development, then to the Committee on Finance

ADJOURNMENT

At 12:42 p.m., on motion by Representative Morikawa, seconded by Representative Matsumoto and carried, the House of Representatives adjourned until noon tomorrow, Thursday, February 10, 2022. (Representatives Luke and McDermott were excused.)