

FIFTY-FOURTH DAY

Friday, April 19, 2024

The House of Representatives of the Thirty-Second Legislature of the State of Hawai'i, Regular Session of 2024, convened at 11:34 a.m., with Vice Speaker Ilagan presiding.

The Roll was called showing all members present with the exception of Representatives Cochran, Garcia, and Ward, who were excused.

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

GOVERNOR'S MESSAGES

The following messages from the Governor (Gov. Msg. Nos. 1105 through 1107) were received and announced by the Clerk and were placed on file:

Gov. Msg. No. 1105, informing the House that on April 18, 2024, the following bill was signed into law:

H.B. No. 1541, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SUICIDE PREVENTION AND AWARENESS MONTH." (ACT 005)

Gov. Msg. No. 1106, informing the House that on April 18, 2024, the following bill was signed into law:

H.B. No. 1880, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE ELECTORAL COLLEGE." (ACT 006)

Gov. Msg. No. 1107, informing the House that on April 18, 2024, the following bill was signed into law:

H.B. No. 1915, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE UNIFORM PROBATE CODE." (ACT 007)

SENATE COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications from the Senate (Sen. Com. Nos. 692 through 700) were received and announced by the Clerk:

Sen. Com. No. 692, transmitting H.C.R. No. 4, HD 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE CURRENT MEMBERS OF THE NORTHWEST WILDLAND FIRE PROTECTION AGREEMENT TO AMEND THE AGREEMENT TO ALLOW HAWAII TO JOIN AS A MEMBER," which was adopted by the Senate on April 18, 2024.

Sen. Com. No. 693, transmitting H.C.R. No. 75, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, INCLUDING THE NAVY, ARMY, AND AIR FORCE, TO INCREASE ON-BASE HOUSING AVAILABILITY FOR ACTIVE DUTY PERSONNEL AND THEIR DEPENDENTS ASSIGNED TO MILITARY INSTALLATIONS IN THE STATE," which was adopted by the Senate on April 18, 2024.

Sen. Com. No. 694, dated April 18, 2024, informing the House that the President has appointed as conferees on the part of the Senate for the consideration of amendments proposed by the House to the following Senate Bills:

S.B. No. 2119, San Buenaventura, Chair; Keohokalole, Co-Chair; HD 1 Awa

S.B. No. 2245, San Buenaventura, Chair; Rhoads, Co-Chair; SD 1, HD 2 Shimabukuro

S.B. No. 2285, San Buenaventura, Chair; Moriwaki, Co-Chair; SD 2, HD 3 Awa

S.B. No. 2289, San Buenaventura, Chair; DeCoite, Co-Chair; SD 2, HD 2 Awa

S.B. No. 2305, Wakai, Chair; Shimabukuro/Aquino, Co-Chairs; SD 2, HD 2 Elefante

S.B. No. 2475, Kidani, Chair; Aquino/Kim/Rhoads, Co-Chairs; SD 2, HD 2 Hashimoto

S.B. No. 2503, San Buenaventura, Chair; SD 2, HD 2 McKelvey/Keohokalole/Moriwaki, Co-Chairs; Awa

S.B. No. 2529, San Buenaventura, Chair; Rhoads, Co-Chair; SD 1, HD 1 Awa

S.B. No. 2556, Rhoads, Chair; Moriwaki, Co-Chair; SD 2, HD 3 Awa

S.B. No. 2557, Rhoads, Chair; SD 1, HD 1 Elefante, Fevella

S.B. No. 2693, Wakai, Chair; Rhoads, Co-Chair; SD 2, HD 1 Elefante

S.B. No. 2727, Keohokalole, Chair; Wakai/Fukunaga, Co-Chairs; SD 2, HD 2 Awa

S.B. No. 2861, Keohokalole, Chair; McKelvey, Co-Chair; SD 1, HD 1 Awa

S.B. No. 2885, San Buenaventura, Chair; Moriwaki, Co-Chair; SD 2, HD 2 Awa

S.B. No. 3002, Lee, Chair; Inouye, Co-Chair; SD 1, HD 2 San Buenaventura

S.B. No. 3037, Elefante, Chair; SD 1, HD 1 Gabbard, Awa

S.B. No. 3123, Shimabukuro, Chair; SD 2, HD 1 San Buenaventura/Rhoads, Co-Chairs; Fevella

S.B. No. 3126, San Buenaventura, Chair; Wakai/DeCoite, Co-Chairs SD 1, HD 1

S.B. No. 3142, San Buenaventura, Chair; Lee/Rhoads, Co-Chairs SD 2, HD 1

S.B. No. 3279, San Buenaventura, Chair; Moriwaki, Co-Chair; SD 1, HD 2 Awa

S.B. No. 3290, San Buenaventura, Chair; Kanuha, Co-Chair; SD 2, HD 1 Awa

Sen. Com. No. 695, dated April 18, 2024, informing the House that the President has appointed as conferees on the part of the Senate for the consideration of amendments proposed by the Senate to the following House Bills:

H.B. No. 1884, Rhoads, Chair; HD 1, SD 1 Gabbard, Awa

H.B. No. 2070, McKelvey, Chair; Keohokalole, Co-Chair; HD 1, SD 2 Fevella

H.B. No. 2083, Gabbard, Chair; Wakai, Co-Chair; HD 3, SD 1 Rhoads

Sen. Com. No. 696, dated April 18, 2024, informing the House that the Senate has reconsidered its action in disagreeing to the amendments proposed by the House to the following Senate Bill and has moved to agree to the amendments, and that said bill has this day passed Final Reading:

S.B. No. 2958, HD 1

Sen. Com. No. 697, dated April 18, 2024, informing the House that the President has appointed as conferees on the part of the Senate for the consideration of amendments proposed by the Senate to the following House Bills:

H.B. No. 1760, Dela Cruz, Chair; HD 1, SD 1 Hashimoto, Fevella

H.B. No. 1827, Aquino, Chair; Kidani, Co-Chair;
HD 2, SD 1 Fevella

H.B. No. 2377, Moriwaki, Chair;
HD 1, SD 1 Wakai, Fevella

H.B. No. 2404, Dela Cruz, Chair;
HD 1, SD 1 Moriwaki, Fevella

H.B. No. 2430, Kidani, Chair;
HD 2, SD 1 Kim, Fevella

H.B. No. 2484, Kanuha, Chair;
HD 1, SD 1 Hashimoto, Fevella

Sen. Com. No. 698, dated April 18, 2024, informing the House that the President has appointed as conferees on the part of the Senate for the consideration of amendments proposed by the House to the following Senate Bills:

S.B. No. 582, Dela Cruz, Chair;
SD 2, HD 1 Hashimoto, Fevella

S.B. No. 2725, Moriwaki, Chair;
HD 1 Wakai, Fevella

S.B. No. 3034, Rhoads, Chair;
HD 1 Elefante, Awa

S.B. No. 3176, Kim, Chair; Rhoads, Co-Chair;
SD 1, HD 1 Fevella

Sen. Com. No. 699, dated April 18, 2024, informing the House that the President has appointed as conferees on the part of the Senate for the consideration of amendments proposed by the Senate to the following House Bills:

H.B. No. 500, Kidani, Chair; Kim, Co-Chair;
HD 1, SD 1 Fevella

H.B. No. 2365, Inouye, Chair; Kanuha, Co-Chair;
HD 1, SD 1 Elefante, Fevella

H.B. No. 2690, Inouye, Chair; Gabbard/Wakai/Rhoads, Co-Chairs
HD 2, SD 1

H.B. No. 2774, Gabbard, Chair; Kidani/Kanua, Co-Chairs;
HD 2, SD 1 Rhoads, Richards

H.B. No. 2471, Inouye, Chair; Rhoads/Aquino, Co-Chairs;
HD 2, SD 2 Elefante, Fevella

Sen. Com. No. 700, dated April 18, 2024, informing the House that the President has appointed as conferees on the part of the Senate for the consideration of amendments proposed by the House to the following Senate Bill:

S.B. No. 1258, Inouye, Chair; Shimabukuro, Co-Chair;
SD 2, HD 1 Elefante, Fevella

INTRODUCTIONS

The following introductions were made to the members of the House:

Representative Amato introduced Paulene Ariyano, chair, Protection & Advocacy for Individuals with Mental Illness Advisory Board; and Kaulu Luuwai and students from Ke Kula Kaiapuni 'o Lahaina.

Representative Belatti introduced students from Stevenson Middle School: Aiden Anglia-Arts, Elyana Belatti, Makananikelokomaika'i Campbell-Rodenhurst, Faith Carvalho, Caelyn Cheng, Mailia Cheung, Kyler Chun, Shayne Duong, Noah Hardin, Kyra Kamaouha, Sherrean Kanai, Tautala Kata, Kanade Komoriya, Freddy Konet, Miya Loo, Evan Maneja, Alfred Mariconda, Aristah Mataele, Rahani Millare, Nikhil Morgan, Jace Nakano, Pierre Nelmda, Cherie Nguyen, Longon Nguyen, Gavin Onodera, Aidan Pacis, Helpful Petewon, Eli Zorel Roales, Jeremiah Silander, Aran Sinnaduray, Jake Sohlith, Kanoa Sugai, Blair Suh, Kauaola Tabura, Tautua Taffiti, Kiesha Nicole Tagalicud, Mikayla Timonth, Karl Tortona, Hailey Valdez, Alyssa Wada, ZiHeng Wang, Lilian Yim, and Kayley Yu; teachers: Dr. Andrea-Bernadette Pratt, Alisha Horikami, Kylee Nakamura, and Naomi Oshiro; and Keahi Renaud.

Representative Nishimoto introduced Elyana "Peanut" Belatti, daughter of Representative Belatti.

At 11:40 a.m., the Chair declared a recess subject to the call of the Chair.

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

ORDER OF THE DAY

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

H.C.R. No. 226:

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.C.R. No. 226, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING AND COMMENDING THE NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF STATE LEGISLATURES ON THE UPCOMING OCCASION OF ITS FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY IN 2025," was adopted, with Representatives Cochran, Hashem, and Garcia being excused.

H.R. No. 212:

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.R. No. 212, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING AND COMMENDING THE NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF STATE LEGISLATURES ON THE UPCOMING OCCASION OF ITS FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY IN 2025," was adopted, with Representatives Cochran, Hashem, and Garcia being excused.

LATE INTRODUCTIONS

The following late introduction was made to the members of the House:

Representative Tam introduced members of the Hawai'i State Commission for LGBTQ+ Affairs: Dr. Sandy Harjo-Livingston, Dr. Kathleen O'Dell, and Michael Golojuch Jr.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Representative Perruso, for the Committee on Higher Education & Technology, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1926-24) recommending that S.C.R. No. 128, SD 1 be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 128, SD 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO ESTABLISH A PER- AND POLYFLUOROALKYL SUBSTANCES TESTING GRANT PROGRAM IN COLLABORATION WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII," was adopted, with Representatives Cochran, Garcia, and Quinlan being excused.

Representative Tarnas, for the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1927-24) recommending that S.C.R. No. 27, SD 1, as amended in HD 1, be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 27, SD 1, HD 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING THE UNITED STATES NAVY TO ERADICATE OCTOCORAL AND OTHER INVASIVE SPECIES FROM THE WATERS OF PEARL HARBOR," was adopted, with Representatives Cochran, Garcia, and Quinlan being excused.

Representative Tarnas, for the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1928-24) recommending that S.C.R. No. 213, SD 1 be adopted.

Representative Nakamura moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that S.C.R. No. 213, SD 1 be adopted, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

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

"In opposition. I'd like to thank the introducers of this measure. They have a good heart and a good intention behind it. Albeit the same, the negative

part about this resolution is that it discourages the Judicial branch applying fines to minors, believing that it doesn't effectively deter their actions. I disagree with this. When I was raised, my parents fined me for when I misbehaved and I'm grateful for that. I believe that fines are an effective way to deter children's behaviors and get them in the right direction."

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

"In support, Mr. Speaker. The data from across the world and the United States suggests that fines do not deter criminal behavior from minors, in fact it's just the opposite, it encourages minors to not want to work with authority figures. There are much better ways to deal with minors in the justice system. When the Judiciary testified, they said that they largely have discouraged using fines. They needed this to do better assessment after a resolution that was passed last year. In support."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 213, SD 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE OFFICE OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR OF THE COURTS TO COLLECT, COMPILE, AND SHARE DATA ON THE ASSESSMENT OF FEES, COURT COSTS, FINES, AND RESTITUTION IN CASES AGAINST MINORS," was adopted, with Representative Pierick voting no, and with Representatives Cochran, Garcia, and Quinlan being excused.

Representative Nakashima, for the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1929-24) recommending that S.C.R. No. 23, SD 1 be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 23, SD 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO AMEND THE HAWAII ADMINISTRATIVE RULES TO AUTHORIZE LICENSED DIETITIANS TO PRESCRIBE MODIFIED DIETS AND PLAN THERAPEUTIC DIETS," was adopted, with Representatives Cochran, Garcia, and Quinlan being excused.

Representative Nakashima, for the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1930-24) recommending that S.C.R. No. 34 be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 34, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE HAWAII MEDICAL ASSOCIATION AND HAWAII PSYCHIATRIC MEDICAL ASSOCIATION TO CONVENE A ROUNDTABLE TO ESTABLISH MEDICAL PROTOCOLS TO ENSURE THAT AN INDIVIDUAL'S THYROID FUNCTION IS TESTED BEFORE PSYCHOTROPIC MEDICATIONS FOR MENTAL ILLNESS ARE PRESCRIBED," was adopted, with Representatives Cochran, Garcia, and Quinlan being excused.

Representative Nakashima, for the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1931-24) recommending that S.C.R. No. 97, SD 1, HD 1 be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 97, SD 1, HD 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE HAWAII STATE ENERGY OFFICE TO CONVENE A RENEWABLE LIQUID FUELS WORKING GROUP TO STUDY LOCAL PRODUCTION, DEVELOPMENT, AND INCENTIVES FOR RENEWABLE LIQUID FUELS," was adopted, with Representatives Cochran, Garcia, and Quinlan being excused.

Representative Nakashima, for the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1932-24) recommending that S.C.R. No. 115 be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 115, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING DEVELOPERS TO INCORPORATE NET ZERO WATER BUILDING STRATEGIES WHEN CONSTRUCTING AND

RENOVATING HOUSING PROJECTS IN THE STATE," was adopted, with Representatives Cochran, Garcia, and Quinlan being excused.

Representative Nakashima, for the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1933-24) recommending that S.C.R. No. 183, SD 1 be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 183, SD 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL TO INVESTIGATE AND ENFORCE APPLICABLE LAWS AGAINST LANDLORDS WHO ARE ENDING RENTAL AGREEMENTS TO HOUSE FEMA-ELIGIBLE HOUSEHOLDS THROUGH THE DIRECT LEASE PROGRAM OR THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM," was adopted, with Representatives Cochran, Garcia, and Quinlan being excused.

FINAL READING

At this time, the Chair stated:

"Members, there will be three motions. One to agree to the Senate amendments, one to suspend the rules for final reading by consent, and one to pass the House Bills on final reading."

Representative Nakamura moved to agree to the amendments made by the Senate to the following House Bills, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried: (Representatives Cochran, Garcia, and Quinlan were excused.)

H.B. No. 159, HD 1, (SD 1)
 H.B. No. 470, HD 2, (SD 2)
 H.B. No. 1529, HD 2, (SD 2)
 H.B. No. 1554, HD 1, (SD 1)
 H.B. No. 1642, HD 1, (SD 1)
 H.B. No. 1889, HD 1, (SD 2)
 H.B. No. 1923, HD 1, (SD 2)
 H.B. No. 1936, HD 2, (SD 2)
 H.B. No. 2337, HD 1, (SD 2)
 H.B. No. 2343, HD 1, (SD 1)
 H.B. No. 2395, HD 1, (SD 2)
 H.B. No. 2396, HD 1, (SD 2)
 H.B. No. 2400, HD 2, (SD 2)
 H.B. No. 2426, HD 2, (SD 2)
 H.B. No. 2463, HD 2, (SD 2)
 H.B. No. 2485, HD 1, (SD 2)
 H.B. No. 2486, HD 1, (SD 1)
 H.B. No. 2488, HD 1, (SD 1)
 H.B. No. 2489, HD 1, (SD 2)
 H.B. No. 2491, HD 2, (SD 1)
 H.B. No. 2492, HD 2, (SD 1)
 H.B. No. 2493, HD 2, (SD 1)
 H.B. No. 2577, HD 1, (SD 1)
 H.B. No. 2626, HD 1, (SD 1)
 H.B. No. 2657, HD 1, (SD 1)

SUSPENSION OF RULES

On motion by Representative Morikawa, seconded by Representative Pierick and carried, the rules were suspended for the purpose of considering certain House Bills for Final Reading by consent calendar. (Representatives Cochran, Garcia, and Quinlan were excused.)

FINAL READING

H.B. No. 159, HD 1, SD 1:

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 159, HD 1, SD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LIQUOR LICENSES," passed Final Reading by a vote of 49 ayes, with Representatives Cochran and Garcia being excused.

H.B. No. 470, HD 2, SD 2:

Representative Nakamura moved that H.B. No. 470, HD 2, SD 2 pass Final Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

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

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I stand in strong support of House Bill 470, SD 2, with brief remarks. I promise this will be brief, Mr. Speaker. This is a really important bill as it addresses a very important gap group within our homeless population.

"In 2023, three unsheltered youths died while living on the streets of O'ahu. One of the three homeless youths who died was Acacia Lynzey Kaiu-Brown, a young woman of Nānākuli, Hawai'i, who died on the streets of Kailua on July 25, 2023. She was born here in Honolulu. Like Acacia, almost one in four homeless youth reported that their reason for becoming homeless is physical abuse or parental substance abuse. More than half of unhoused youths who want to access shelter and services are told it is not available.

"We know from the Department of Education, there are 3,542 students in unstable housing in the last two years. In 2021, this body passed Act 23, which allowed for unaccompanied minors to consent to a no cost emergency shelter and related services. But this act sunset on June 30th, 2023, nearly a month before Acacia Kaiu-Brown died on the streets of Kailua. That act ensured that young people experiencing homelessness had safe and secure shelter where they could be stabilized, heal, and access resources, including much needed mental health treatment, suicide prevention, and drug counseling.

"Mr. Speaker, this bill today will allow those vulnerable unhoused minors to once again have pathways to end their homelessness by allowing vetted community providers to provide a safe and low barrier alternative to licensed child caring institutions.

"Mr. Speaker, I would like to thank the introducer of this bill, the representative from Waikīkī, and the Human Services chair for working so diligently on making sure this bill got over the finish line. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

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

"Mr. Speaker, with reservations, brief comment. Mr. Speaker, these kids need help. They need a safe haven like this. Unfortunately, too many are out there. And I want to cite the hope that we have that this bill does not have to be used so often. As the governor stood there in the State of the State and said, the goal of the homeless czar, our former Representative Mizuno, is to cut homelessness by 50% in the next three years. That is a great goal if it's accomplishable. Some things, in like the tragedy of Acacia, should not happen again. But for immediate purposes, this is a necessary step. Thank you, sir."

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

"In oppose. Mr. Speaker, I like this bill that is helping out the homeless or the kids that is in need, especially the ones that are getting abused. I think that is a really important bill that we pass. But what about if I had a kid that their cell phone got taken away and they want to run away. And you go to the shelter, I have no idea where that kid is. I have 30 days not knowing where my kid is going, just because you take away their cell phone.

"Nowadays we take away their cell phone is more worse than licks. The kid's crying because they cannot communicate with their friends or cannot go on Instagram or TikTok or whatever social media it is. And they run away from your home. And yet, as a parent, we don't know where they going. We cannot find out because if the kid does not let the shelter know who their parent or what their parent is, I wouldn't be able to sleep at night. I wouldn't be able to know where my kid is going. I mean, I would search day and night to try to find that kid.

"Now, if there's some kind of word in the language that we can change this bill or that they have to call your parent, or the kids would have to let you know where your parent is or what's going on, I would understand, maybe, we have that kind of thought. But then I understand where the kid can get hurt or would get on the opposite side of it. But as a parent, imagine now a lot of kids run away from home just because of, you feel like you cannot even call your boyfriend or girlfriend and you're breaking up that relationship. But that's life skills that they start going out, and a lot of teens

run away because of that. How do we protect parent's rights at that point? That's the reason why I oppose this bill. Thank you."

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

"In support. I just wanted to clarify that, among the many services that these shelter provides, the first is assistance in reunification with the family if they deem it appropriate. If the child is being abused by their family, then that would not be appropriate, but in most other situations it is, and they try to help with that and also do family counseling. Thank you."

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

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. In support. I would just like to have the words of the Health chair and the words of the Human Services chair inserted into the Journal as if they were my own, except for the part where she was thanking the introducer, of course. But I just also want to say that, let's say that your child does run away. I think that any parent would rather have their child being sheltered than on the street, where they are subjected to illness and possible death. Thank you."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and H.B. No. 470, HD 2, SD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MINORS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 47 ayes to 2 noes, with Representative Ward voting aye with reservations, with Representatives Alcos and Pierick voting no, and with Representatives Cochran and Garcia being excused.

H.B. No. 1529, HD 2, SD 2:

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 1529, HD 2, SD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO BURIAL COUNCILS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 49 ayes, with Representatives Cochran and Garcia being excused.

H.B. No. 1554, HD 1, SD 1:

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 1554, HD 1, SD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AQUATIC RESOURCES," passed Final Reading by a vote of 49 ayes, with Representatives Cochran and Garcia being excused.

H.B. No. 1642, HD 1, SD 1:

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 1642, HD 1, SD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO GENERAL EMPLOYEE ORIENTATION," passed Final Reading by a vote of 49 ayes, with Representatives Cochran and Garcia being excused.

H.B. No. 1889, HD 1, SD 2:

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 1889, HD 1, SD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION MEDICAL BENEFITS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 49 ayes, with Representatives Cochran and Garcia being excused.

H.B. No. 1923, HD 1, SD 2:

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 1923, HD 1, SD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CAMPS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 49 ayes, with Representatives Cochran and Garcia being excused.

H.B. No. 1936, HD 2, SD 2:

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 1936, HD 2, SD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HARBOR SAFETY," passed Final Reading by a vote of 47 ayes to 2 noes, with Representatives Pierick and Poepeo voting no, and with Representatives Cochran and Garcia being excused.

H.B. No. 2337, HD 1, SD 2:

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 2337, HD 1, SD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR

AN ACT RELATING TO PESTICIDES," passed Final Reading by a vote of 49 ayes, with Representatives Cochran and Garcia being excused.

H.B. No. 2343, HD 1, SD 1:

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 2343, HD 1, SD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ENFORCEMENT OF ORDERS OF WAGE PAYMENT," passed Final Reading by a vote of 49 ayes, with Representatives Cochran and Garcia being excused.

H.B. No. 2395, HD 1, SD 2:

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 2395, HD 1, SD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII NATIONAL GUARD," passed Final Reading by a vote of 49 ayes, with Representatives Cochran and Garcia being excused.

H.B. No. 2396, HD 1, SD 2:

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 2396, HD 1, SD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII NATIONAL GUARD," passed Final Reading by a vote of 49 ayes, with Representatives Cochran and Garcia being excused.

H.B. No. 2400, HD 2, SD 2:

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 2400, HD 2, SD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION," passed Final Reading by a vote of 49 ayes, with Representatives Cochran and Garcia being excused.

H.B. No. 2426, HD 2, SD 2:

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 2426, HD 2, SD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO RELATIVE RESOURCE CAREGIVERS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 49 ayes, with Representatives Cochran and Garcia being excused.

H.B. No. 2463, HD 2, SD 2:

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 2463, HD 2, SD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE WAGE AND HOUR LAW," passed Final Reading by a vote of 48 ayes to 1 no, with Representative Pierick voting no, and with Representatives Cochran and Garcia being excused.

H.B. No. 2485, HD 1, SD 2:

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 2485, HD 1, SD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO STATE TAX ADMINISTRATION," passed Final Reading by a vote of 49 ayes, with Representatives Cochran and Garcia being excused.

H.B. No. 2486, HD 1, SD 1:

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 2486, HD 1, SD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TAX ENFORCEMENT," passed Final Reading by a vote of 49 ayes, with Representatives Cochran and Garcia being excused.

H.B. No. 2488, HD 1, SD 1:

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 2488, HD 1, SD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE TAXATION BOARD OF REVIEW," passed Final Reading by a vote of 49 ayes, with Representatives Cochran and Garcia being excused.

H.B. No. 2489, HD 1, SD 2:

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 2489, HD 1, SD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR

AN ACT RELATING TO TAX ADMINISTRATION," passed Final Reading by a vote of 49 ayes, with Representatives Cochran and Garcia being excused.

H.B. No. 2491, HD 2, SD 1:

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 2491, HD 2, SD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COMMERCIAL DRIVER'S LICENSES," passed Final Reading by a vote of 49 ayes, with Representatives Cochran and Garcia being excused.

H.B. No. 2492, HD 2, SD 1:

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 2492, HD 2, SD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COMMERCIAL DRIVER'S LICENSES," passed Final Reading by a vote of 49 ayes, with Representatives Cochran and Garcia being excused.

H.B. No. 2493, HD 2, SD 1:

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 2493, HD 2, SD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COMMERCIAL DRIVER'S LICENSES," passed Final Reading by a vote of 49 ayes, with Representatives Cochran and Garcia being excused.

H.B. No. 2577, HD 1, SD 1:

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 2577, HD 1, SD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION," passed Final Reading by a vote of 49 ayes, with Representatives Cochran and Garcia being excused.

H.B. No. 2626, HD 1, SD 1:

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 2626, HD 1, SD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FISHPONDS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 49 ayes, with Representatives Cochran and Garcia being excused.

H.B. No. 2657, HD 1, SD 1:

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 2657, HD 1, SD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ABUSIVE LITIGATION," passed Final Reading by a vote of 47 ayes to 2 noes, with Representatives Ganaden and Souza voting no, and with Representatives Cochran and Garcia being excused.

At 12:31 p.m., the Chair noted that the following bills passed Final Reading:

H.B. No. 159, HD 1, SD 1
 H.B. No. 470, HD 2, SD 2
 H.B. No. 1529, HD 2, SD 2
 H.B. No. 1554, HD 1, SD 1
 H.B. No. 1642, HD 1, SD 1
 H.B. No. 1889, HD 1, SD 2
 H.B. No. 1923, HD 1, SD 2
 H.B. No. 1936, HD 2, SD 2
 H.B. No. 2337, HD 1, SD 2
 H.B. No. 2343, HD 1, SD 1
 H.B. No. 2395, HD 1, SD 2
 H.B. No. 2396, HD 1, SD 2
 H.B. No. 2400, HD 2, SD 2
 H.B. No. 2426, HD 2, SD 2
 H.B. No. 2463, HD 2, SD 2
 H.B. No. 2485, HD 1, SD 2
 H.B. No. 2486, HD 1, SD 1
 H.B. No. 2488, HD 1, SD 1
 H.B. No. 2489, HD 1, SD 2
 H.B. No. 2491, HD 2, SD 1
 H.B. No. 2492, HD 2, SD 1
 H.B. No. 2493, HD 2, SD 1
 H.B. No. 2577, HD 1, SD 1

H.B. No. 2626, HD 1, SD 1
 H.B. No. 2657, HD 1, SD 1

SUSPENSION OF RULES

At this time, the Chair stated:

"Members, please turn to your digital action sheets. We will be taking up two motions. One to suspend the rules to reconsider our previous action in disagreeing to the Senate amendments, and one to reconsider our previous action and give notice of the intent to agree."

On motion by Representative Nakamura, 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 Cochran, Garcia, and Lowen were excused.)

RECONSIDERATION OF ACTION TAKEN

Representative Nakamura moved that the House reconsider its action previously taken in disagreeing to the amendments made by the Senate, and give notice of intent to agree to such amendments for the following House Bills, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried: (Representatives Cochran, Garcia, and Lowen were excused.)

H.B. No. 1578, HD 2, (SD 1)
 H.B. No. 1974, HD 1, (SD 1)
 H.B. No. 2216, HD 2, (SD 2)
 H.B. No. 2393, HD 1, (SD 1)

At this time, the Chair stated:

"Members, these measures will appear on Monday's Order of the Day for agree and final reading."

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Representative Ichiyama: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. On behalf of myself and the representative from Līhu'e, we would just like to invite everyone, members and staff, to our film screening of two short films about the Kaua'i Forest Bird Recovery Project. Please come down and join us. We will also have members of the Kaua'i Forest Bird Recovery Project with us to answer questions as well as play a trivia game with prizes. It's at 2:00 p.m. in the Auditorium this afternoon. Thank you."

At this time, the Chair stated:

"The Chair would like to remind committee chairs that today is the second crossover filing deadline for amended Senate concurrent resolutions. Please file your committee reports and drafts with the Chief Clerk's Office by 6:00 p.m. this evening. Again, that's 6:00 p.m. this evening."

COMMITTEE REASSIGNMENTS

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

<u>H.B. Nos.</u>	<u>Re-referred to:</u>
2278, HD2, SD3	Committee on Agriculture & Food Systems, then to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, then to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs
2690, HD2, SD1	Jointly to the Committee on Water & Land and the Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection, then to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, then to the Committee on Finance

ADJOURNMENT

At 12:34 p.m., on motion by Representative Morikawa, seconded by Representative Pierick and carried, the House of Representatives adjourned until 11:30 a.m. April 22, 2024. (Representatives Cochran, Garcia, and Lowen were excused.)

HOUSE COMMUNICATIONS

House Communication dated April 19, 2024, 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 Speaker has this day appointed as conferees on the part of the House for the consideration of amendments proposed by the Senate to the following House Bills:

- H.B. No. 2090, HD 1, SD 2 Evslin/Ichiyama/Tarnas, Co-Chrs.; Aiu, Miyake, Takayama, Matsumoto
- H.B. No. 2278, HD 2, SD 3 Gates/Nakashima/Kahaloa, Co-Chrs.; Miyake, Nishimoto, Pierick
- H.B. No. 2361, HD 1, SD 1 Poepoe/Tarnas/Kila, Co-Chrs.; Garrett, Ichiyama, Souza
- H.B. No. 2453, HD 1, SD 2 Ichiyama/Lowen/Poepoe, Co-Chrs.; M. Mizuno, Ward
- H.B. No. 2685, HD 2, SD 1 Lowen/Nakashima/Kitagawa, Co-Chrs.; Tam, Ward
- H.B. No. 2690, HD 2, SD 1 Ichiyama/Lowen/Tarnas/Poepoe, Co-Chrs.; Aiu, Kila, Ward

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- S.B. No. 2085, SD 2, HD 1 Ichiyama/Matayoshi/Poepoe, Co-Chrs.; Kila, M. Mizuno, Souza
- S.B. No. 2337, SD 2, HD 2 Evslin/Aiu, Co-Chrs.; Morikawa, Onishi, Matsumoto
- S.B. No. 2504, SD 2, HD 1 Lowen/Perruso/Yamashita, Co-Chrs.; Garrett, Lamosao, Ward
- S.B. No. 2537, SD 2, HD 1 Lowen/Cochran, Co-Chrs.; Garrett, Kila, Ward
- S.B. No. 2575, HD 1 Lowen/Ichiyama/Poepoe, Co-Chrs.; Cochran, Ward
- S.B. No. 2727, SD 2, HD 2 Sayama/Kitagawa, Co-Chrs.; Morikawa, Tam, Pierick
- S.B. No. 2922, SD 2, HD 3 Ichiyama/Lowen/Sayama/Tarnas/Yamashita, Co-Chrs.; Kila, Miyake, Ward
- S.B. No. 2991, SD 2, HD 2 Matayoshi/Garrett, Co-Chrs.; Martinez, Sayama, Alcos
- S.B. No. 3021, SD 2, HD 1 Lowen/Todd/Sayama/Kila, Co-Chrs.; Matsumoto
- S.B. No. 3068, SD 1, HD 1 Yamashita, Chr.; Cochran, Kahaloa, Kila, Kitagawa, Miyake, Poepoe, Ward
- S.B. No. 3153, SD 2, HD 1 Ichiyama/Poepoe, Co-Chrs.; Kahaloa, Morikawa, Souza
- S.B. No. 3207, SD 2, HD 1 Woodson/Morikawa, Co-Chrs.; La Chica, M. Mizuno
- S.B. No. 3234, SD 1, HD 2 Sayama/Yamashita, Co-Chrs.; Morikawa, Tam, Pierick

House Communication dated April 19, 2024, 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 April 11, 2024, and gives its notice of intent to agree to the following House Bills:

- H.B. No. 1578, HD 2, SD 1
- H.B. No. 1974, HD 1, SD 1
- H.B. No. 2216, HD 2, SD 2

H.B. No. 2393, HD 1, SD 1

House Communication dated April 19, 2024, 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. 159, HD 1, SD 1
 H.B. No. 470, HD 2, SD 2
 H.B. No. 1529, HD 2, SD 2
 H.B. No. 1554, HD 1, SD 1
 H.B. No. 1642, HD 1, SD 1
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 H.B. No. 2463, HD 2, SD 2
 H.B. No. 2485, HD 1, SD 2
 H.B. No. 2486, HD 1, SD 1
 H.B. No. 2488, HD 1, SD 1
 H.B. No. 2489, HD 1, SD 2
 H.B. No. 2491, HD 2, SD 1
 H.B. No. 2492, HD 2, SD 1
 H.B. No. 2493, HD 2, SD 1
 H.B. No. 2577, HD 1, SD 1
 H.B. No. 2626, HD 1, SD 1
 H.B. No. 2657, HD 1, SD 1

OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

A copy of the following Senate Communication to the Governor was received by the Clerk:

"April 19, 2024

The Honorable Josh Green
 Governor of the State of Hawai'i
 State Capitol
 Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Dear Governor Green:

In accordance with the provisions of Article XVII, Section 3 of the Hawai'i State Constitution, written notice is hereby given of the final form of the following bill, a copy of which is attached hereto:

S.B. No. 2927, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1

PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE VI, SECTION 3 OF THE HAWAII CONSTITUTION TO MAKE THE SENATE CONFIRMATION PROCESS FOR JUDICIAL APPOINTMENTS MORE UNIFORM.

Respectfully,
 /s/ Carol Taniguchi
 CAROL TANIGUCHI
 Clerk of the Senate

Enclosures

cc: Brian Takeshita, Clerk of the House"