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TWENTY-THIRD DAY

Wednesday, February 21, 2024

The House of Representatives of the Thirty-Second Legislature of the State of Hawai'i, Regular Session of 2024, convened at 12:01 p.m., with Vice Speaker Ilagan presiding.

The invocation was delivered by Representative Darius K. Kila, after which the Roll was called showing all members present with the exception of Representatives Amato, Cochran, Gates, Kapela, Nakashima, Perruso, and Woodson, who were excused.

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

SENATE COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications from the Senate (Sen. Com. No. 11 through 17) were received and announced by the Clerk:

Sen. Com. No. 11, transmitting H.B. No. 470, HD 2, SD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MINORS," which passed Third Reading in the Senate on February 20, 2024.

Sen. Com. No. 12, transmitting S.B. No. 2240, SD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS," which passed Third Reading in the Senate on February 20, 2024.

Sen. Com. No. 13, transmitting S.B. No. 2381, SD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC FINANCING FOR CANDIDATES TO ELECTED OFFICE," which passed Third Reading in the Senate on February 20, 2024.

Sen. Com. No. 14, transmitting S.B. No. 2385, SD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE VI, SECTION 3 OF THE HAWAII CONSTITUTION TO PLACE PROCEDURAL RESTRICTIONS ON THE TIMING OF JUDICIAL APPOINTMENTS AND CONFIRMATIONS," which passed Third Reading in the Senate on February 20, 2024.

Sen. Com. No. 15, transmitting S.B. No. 2652, SD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE BUDGET," which passed Third Reading in the Senate on February 20, 2024.

Sen. Com. No. 16, transmitting S.B. No. 2927, SD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE VI, SECTION 3 OF THE HAWAII CONSTITUTION TO MAKE THE SENATE CONFIRMATION PROCESS FOR JUDICIAL APPOINTMENTS MORE UNIFORM," which passed Third Reading in the Senate on February 20, 2024.

Sen. Com. No. 17, transmitting S.B. No. 3289, SD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION," which passed Third Reading in the Senate on February 20, 2024.

On motion by Representative Morikawa, seconded by Representative Garcia and carried, the following Senate Bills passed First Reading by title and further action was deferred: (Representatives Amato, Cochran, Gates, Kapela, Nakashima, Perruso, and Woodson were excused.)

S.B. No. 2240, SD 2
S.B. No. 2381, SD 2
S.B. No. 2385, SD 1
S.B. No. 2652, SD 1
S.B. No. 2927, SD 1
S.B. No. 3289, SD 1

Representative Nakamura moved to disagree to the amendments made by the Senate to the following House Bill, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried: (Representatives Amato, Cochran, Gates, Kapela, Nakashima, Perruso, and Woodson were excused.)

H.B. No. 470, HD 2, (SD 2)

INTRODUCTIONS

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

REMARKS DELIVERED: Rep. Tam
Rep. Evslin
Rep. Tarnas
Rep. Kila
Rep. Matsumoto

At 12:10 p.m., the Chair declared a recess subject to the call of the Chair.

The House of Representatives reconvened at 12:21 p.m.

ORDER OF THE DAY

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Representative Perruso, for the Committee on Higher Education & Technology, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 622-24) recommending that S.B. No. 1511, SD 2, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 1511, SD 2, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE RESEARCH CORPORATION OF THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Amato, Cochran, Gates, Kapela, Perruso, and Woodson being excused.

Representative Tarnas, for the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 623-24) recommending that H.B. No. 1915 pass Second Reading and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1915, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE UNIFORM PROBATE CODE," passed Second Reading and was placed on the calendar for Third Reading, with Representatives Amato, Cochran, Gates, Kapela, Perruso, and Woodson being excused.

Representatives Evslin, Ichiyama and , for the Committee on Housing and the Committee on Water & Land and the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 624-24) recommending that H.B. No. 2090, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committees was adopted and H.B. No. 2090, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HOUSING," passed Second Reading and was placed on the calendar for Third Reading, with Representatives Amato, Cochran, Gates, Kapela, Perruso, and Woodson being excused.

Representatives Evslin, Ichiyama, and Tarnas, for the Committee on Housing and the Committee on Water & Land and the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 625-24) recommending that H.B. No. 1630, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

Representative Nakamura moved that the report of the Committees be adopted, and that H.B. No. 1630, HD 1 pass Second Reading and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

REMARKS DELIVERED: Rep. Ward
Rep. Marten
Rep. Quinlan
Rep. Kong
Rep. Takenouchi
Rep. Poepoe
Rep. Garrett
Rep. Hussey-Burdick
Rep. Chun
Rep. Alcos

Rep. Lamosao
 Rep. Nishimoto
 Rep. Matayoshi
 Rep. Sayama
 Rep. Kobayashi
 Rep. Quinlan
 Rep. Kobayashi
 Rep. Evslin
 Rep. Tarnas
 Rep. Evslin
 Rep. Kila
 Rep. Ward
 Rep. Marten
 Rep. Kobayashi
 Rep. Todd
 Rep. Matayoshi
 Rep. Kitagawa
 Rep. Matsumoto
 Rep. Ganaden
 Rep. Garcia
 Rep. Tam
 Rep. Souza
 Rep. Ward

TO BE INSERTED: Rep. Ward
(Submit by Monday, February 26)

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committees was adopted and H.B. No. 1630, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO URBAN DEVELOPMENT," passed Second Reading and was placed on the calendar for Third Reading, with Representatives Alcos, Chun, Kong, Lamosao, Matayoshi, Poepoe, and Sayama voting aye with reservations, with Representatives Garcia, Garrett, Hussey-Burdick, Kobayashi, Marten, Nishimoto, Takenouchi, and Ward voting no, and with Representatives Amato, Cochran, Gates, Kapela, Perruso, and Woodson being excused.

SUSPENSION OF RULES

On motion by Representative Morikawa, seconded by Representative Garcia and carried, the rules were suspended for the purpose of considering certain House Bills for Third Reading by consent calendar. (Representatives Amato, Cochran, Gates, Ichiyama, Kapela, Perruso, and Woodson were excused.)

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Representative Perruso, for the Committee on Higher Education & Technology, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 626-24) recommending that H.B. No. 1588, HD 1 pass Third Reading.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1588, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE LABOR EDUCATION ADVISORY COUNCIL," passed Third Reading by a vote of 45 ayes, with Representatives Amato, Cochran, Gates, Ichiyama, Kapela, Perruso, and Woodson being excused.

Representative Tarnas, for the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 627-24) recommending that H.B. No. 1650, HD 1 pass Third Reading.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, 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 THE BOARD OF EDUCATION," passed Third Reading by a vote of 45 ayes, with Representatives Amato, Cochran, Gates, Ichiyama, Kapela, Perruso, and Woodson being excused.

Representative Tarnas, for the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 628-24) recommending that H.B. No. 1642, HD 1 pass Third Reading.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B.

No. 1642, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO GENERAL EMPLOYEE ORIENTATION," passed Third Reading by a vote of 45 ayes, with Representatives Amato, Cochran, Gates, Ichiyama, Kapela, Perruso, and Woodson being excused.

Representative Tarnas, for the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 629-24) recommending that H.B. No. 2343, HD 1 pass Third Reading.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2343, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ENFORCEMENT OF ORDERS OF WAGE PAYMENT," passed Third Reading by a vote of 45 ayes, with Representatives Amato, Cochran, Gates, Ichiyama, Kapela, Perruso, and Woodson being excused.

At 12:56 p.m., the Chair noted that the following bills passed Third Reading:

H.B. No. 1588, HD 1
 H.B. No. 1650, HD 1
 H.B. No. 1642, HD 1
 H.B. No. 2343, HD 1

ANNOUNCEMENTS

REMARKS DELIVERED: Rep. Aiu
 Rep. Ward
 Rep. Lamosao

ADJOURNMENT

At 1:00 p.m., on motion by Representative Morikawa, seconded by Representative Garcia and carried, the House of Representatives adjourned until noon Thursday, February 29, 2024. (Representatives Amato, Cochran, Gates, Ichiyama, Kapela, Perruso, and Woodson were excused.)

HOUSE COMMUNICATIONS

House Communication dated February 21, 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 disagreed to the amendments made by the Senate to the following measure:

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