

EIGHTEENTH DAY

Wednesday, February 12, 2025

The House of Representatives of the Thirty-Third Legislature of the State of Hawai'i, Regular Session of 2025, convened at 12:05 p.m., with Vice Speaker Ichiyama presiding.

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

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

INTRODUCTIONS

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

Representative Matayoshi introduced Okinawan education officials: Frances Nakachi Kuba, Bob Shiroma, Jon Itomura, David Arakawa, Hajime Miyagi, Naoki Oshiro, Tomoaki Yamada, Shiori, Shimabukuro, Shimon Anzo, Audrey Anela Brown, Yunosuke Ishikawa, Alina Ito, Yui Kawazoe, Chisa Nakama, Sora Okumura, Mei Oshiro, Maika Davis Reimer, Hiori Shimabukuro, Honoka Shimoji, Riana Toma, Saneaki Tsuha, Kanoha Uechi, Mia Watchorn, Taiyasha Jazmya Weathers, Nam Yamaguchi, and Anji Yamashiro.

Representative Ilagan introduced supporters of Dr. Agbayani from the Department of Education, University of Hawai'i, Patsy Mink PAC, Legal Aid Clinic, Hawai'i Coalition for Civil Rights, Ethnic Education Hawai'i, Pamantasan, Filcom CARES, Filipino Chamber of Commerce, Local 5, Worker Center, and others.

Representative Miyake introduced his staff: Kathi-Lyn Kahana, Michael Hughes, and Wayne-Kawika Kahana.

Representative Garcia introduced Art and Peggy Hannemann.

Representative La Chica introduced former Senator Bennette Misalucha, State Workforce Development Council; and from the Filipino Chamber of Commerce: Constancio Paranal and Melody Calisay.

Representative Evslin introduced Mike Dahilig from Kaua'i.

ORDER OF THE DAY

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS (FLOOR PRESENTATIONS)

The following resolution (H.R. No. 13) was announced by the Clerk and the following action taken:

H.R. No. 13, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING DR. AMEFIL "AMY" AGBAYANI FOR HER UNPARALLELED DEDICATION TO IMMIGRANT RIGHTS, ADVOCACY FOR THE FILIPINO COMMUNITY, AND CONTRIBUTIONS TO SHAPING A MORE INCLUSIVE AND EQUITABLE SOCIETY," was offered by Representative Ilagan.

Representative Ilagan moved that H.R. No. 13 be adopted, seconded by Representative Lamosao.

Representative Ilagan honored Dr. Agbayani as a noteworthy advocate, leader, and voice for immigrant communities, recognized her work fighting for inclusion and equal opportunities for all, shared how she is an inspiration for generations of activists, scholars and leaders, thanked her for her many contributions and for devoting her life to fighting for diversity, social justice, equity, and the rights of immigrants, and congratulated and introduced honoree who was seated on the Floor of the House:

Dr. Amefil "Amy" Agbayani, Emeritus Assistant Vice Chancellor for Student Diversity, University of Hawai'i at Mānoa.

Representative Lamosao celebrated the remarkable contributions of Dr. Agbayani; recognized her unwavering dedication that has shaped opportunities for Asian American, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander

communities across our nation; noted how as the founding chair of the Hawai'i Civil Rights Commission she worked tirelessly to advance immigration justice; commended her legacy and impact on the lives of generations to come; and thanked Tita Amy for her leadership, courage, and unwavering commitment to justice.

Representative Hussey thanked Dr. Agbayani for her tireless work; and appreciated her role as someone who exemplifies the idea of solidarity.

The following additional honorees and supporters of Dr. Agbayani were also seated on the Floor of the House:

Liza Ryan Gill, Executive Director, Hawai'i Coalition for Immigrant Rights;
Bettina Mok, Executive Director, The Legal Clinic;
Agnes Malate, Co-Chair, FilComCARES; and
MameJoy Ulep, Director, Pamantasan, University of Hawai'i.

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and H.R. No. 13 was adopted, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

At 12:23 p.m., the Chair declared a recess to allow the members to meet and congratulate the honorees.

At 12:38 p.m., the Chair declared a recess subject to the call of the Chair.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Representative Marten, for the Committee on Human Services & Homelessness, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 433) recommending that H.B. No. 212, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 212, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HOMELESSNESS," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Kahaloe, for the Committee on Agriculture & Food Systems, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 434) recommending that H.B. No. 1450, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representative Todd moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 1450, HD 1 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

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

Representative Garcia rose and asked that the Clerk record a no vote 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. 1450, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL CLIMATE RESILIENCY," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Garcia and Pierick voting no, and with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Kahaloe, for the Committee on Agriculture & Food Systems, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 435) recommending that H.B. No. 1393, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1393, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL STATISTICS," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Tam, for the Committee on Tourism, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 436) recommending that H.B. No. 1006, HD 1 be referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1006, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE AGRIBUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION," was referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Garrett, for the Committee on Higher Education, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 437) recommending that H.B. No. 1345, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representative Todd moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 1345, HD 1 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

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

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

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

"Thank you, Madam Speaker. I'd like to rise in support with reservations. I agree this is a great idea, and I would like to see it even expanded into other areas besides education. But thank you for the introduction."

Representative Pierick rose and asked that the Clerk record a no vote 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. 1345, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TEACHER EDUCATION," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representative Shimizu voting aye with reservations, with Representatives Garcia, Muraoka, and Pierick voting no, and with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Garrett, for the Committee on Higher Education, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 438) recommending that H.B. No. 643, HD 1, as amended in HD 2, be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 643, HD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE COCONUT RHINOCEROS BEETLE PROGRAM," was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Garrett, for the Committee on Higher Education, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 439) recommending that H.B. No. 442, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representative Todd moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 442, HD 1 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Pierick rose and asked that the Clerk record a no vote 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. 442, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representative Pierick voting no, and with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Garrett, for the Committee on Higher Education, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 440) recommending that H.B. No.

548, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representative Todd moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 548, HD 1 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

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

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

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

Representative Reyes Oda 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. 548, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE ACQUISITION OF THE SAINT FRANCIS SCHOOL CAMPUS FOR THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII AT MANOA," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representative Reyes Oda voting aye with reservations, with Representatives Garcia, Muraoka, and Pierick voting no, and with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Ilagan, for the Committee on Economic Development & Technology, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 441) recommending that H.B. No. 1176, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representative Todd moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 1176, HD 1 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Garcia 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. 1176, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representative Garcia voting aye with reservations, and with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Ilagan, for the Committee on Economic Development & Technology, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 442) recommending that H.B. No. 1370, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1370, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Ilagan, for the Committee on Economic Development & Technology, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 443) recommending that H.B. No. 1372, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1372, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LIQUOR LICENSES," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representatives Takayama and Marten, for the Committee on Health and the Committee on Human Services & Homelessness, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 444) recommending that H.B. No. 237, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 237, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PEER SUPPORT PROGRAMS," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Takayama, for the Committee on Health, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 445) recommending that H.B. No. 872, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 872, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Takayama, for the Committee on Health, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 446) recommending that H.B. No. 1092, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1092, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MEDICAID THIRD PARTY LIABILITY," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Takayama, for the Committee on Health, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 447) recommending that H.B. No. 1120, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1120, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO NUISANCES," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Takayama, for the Committee on Health, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 448) recommending that H.B. No. 1282, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1282, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CERTIFIED CAREGIVERS," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Takayama, for the Committee on Health, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 449) recommending that H.B. No. 1109, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs.

Representative Todd moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 1109, HD 1 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

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

Representative Alcos 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. 1109, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR

AN ACT RELATING TO MANUFACTURED HEMP PRODUCTS," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, with Representative Matsumoto voting aye with reservations, with Representatives Alcos and Garcia voting no, and with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Takayama, for the Committee on Health, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 450) recommending that H.B. No. 1389, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representative Todd moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 1389, HD 1 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Garcia 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. 1389, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FERAL ANIMALS," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representative Garcia voting aye with reservations, and with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Takayama, for the Committee on Health, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 451) recommending that H.B. No. 866, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representative Todd moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 866, HD 1 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

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

"Thank you, in opposition. This bill basically stockpiles abortion pills for our state. We don't need to do that. We should be championing life. It's in our state motto."

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

Representative Muraoka 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 a no vote for her, and the Chair "so ordered."

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

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

Representative Alcos rose and asked that the Clerk record a no vote 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. 866, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH CARE," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representative Reyes Oda voting aye with reservations, with Representatives Alcos, Garcia, Matsumoto, Muraoka, Pierick, and Shimizu voting no, and with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Belatti, for the Committee on Public Safety, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 452) recommending that H.B. No. 1062, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1062, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII NATIONAL GUARD," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Belatti, for the Committee on Public Safety, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 453) recommending that H.B. No. 674, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 674, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII NATIONAL GUARD," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Belatti, for the Committee on Public Safety, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 454) recommending that H.B. No. 628, HD 1 be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 628, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION," was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Belatti, for the Committee on Public Safety, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 455) recommending that H.B. No. 1058, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1058, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO VETERANS CEMETERIES," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Belatti, for the Committee on Public Safety, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 456) recommending that H.B. No. 503, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 503, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII FIRST RESPONDERS MEMORIAL," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Belatti, for the Committee on Public Safety, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 457) recommending that H.B. No. 1158, HD 1 be referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1158, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FIREFIGHTING AT COMMERCIAL HARBORS," was referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Belatti, for the Committee on Public Safety, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 458) recommending that H.B. No. 1159, HD 1 be referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs.

Representative Todd moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 1159, HD 1 be referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

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

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

"Thank you, Madam Speaker. I rise in opposition with comments, please. My concern is based on the negative concerns and testimonies from three groups. One is the Hawai'i Harbors Users Group, the Hawai'i Longline Association, and also Captain Andy's Sailing. And the comments that were presented were compelling enough for me to be in opposition. I can

understand the intent being well-meaning, but the comments that were shared is of concern because these users are going to be very affected by it. So, I think I would suggest if this bill would be deferred and conversation and communication with the community to engage them and come up with solutions that would put everybody on the same page, I think that would be preferred. Thank you, Madam Speaker."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1159, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COMMERCIAL HARBORS," was referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, with Representatives Garcia and Shimizu voting no, and with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representatives Belatti and Kila, for the Committee on Public Safety and the Committee on Transportation, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 459) recommending that H.B. No. 657, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representative Todd moved that the report of the Committees be adopted, and that H.B. No. 657, HD 1 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

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

"Thank you, Madam Speaker. I just want to declare a potential conflict of interest. I am a disabled veteran, and this would impact me potentially. But my understanding of the bill, I don't think it will."

At 12:45 p.m., the Chair declared a recess subject to the call of the Chair.

The House of Representatives reconvened at 12:46 p.m.

The Chair addressed Representative Olds, stating:

"Representative Olds, thank you for your request. The Chair will rule that you have no conflict, and that ruling will stand for the remainder of session."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committees was adopted and H.B. No. 657, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DISABLED VETERANS," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Woodson, for the Committee on Education, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 460) recommending that H.B. No. 838, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 838, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TEACHERS," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Woodson, for the Committee on Education, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 461) recommending that H.B. No. 1499, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1499, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Woodson, for the Committee on Education, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 462) recommending that H.B. No. 961, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 961, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO

EDUCATION," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Woodson, for the Committee on Education, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 463) recommending that H.B. No. 962, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 962, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Woodson, for the Committee on Education, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 464) recommending that H.B. No. 730, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 730, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Woodson, for the Committee on Education, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 465) recommending that H.B. No. 754, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 754, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COMMUNITY SCHOOLS," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Woodson, for the Committee on Education, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 466) recommending that H.B. No. 1069, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1069, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Woodson, for the Committee on Education, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 467) recommending that H.B. No. 636, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 636, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Woodson, for the Committee on Education, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 468) recommending that H.B. No. 987, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 987, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PROCUREMENT," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Woodson, for the Committee on Education, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 469) recommending that H.B. No. 902, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representative Todd moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 902, HD 1 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

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

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

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

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

"Thank you, Madam Speaker. I rise in support with reservations and comments, please. Although I understand the good intention of this bill, it's my belief that Hawaiian Electric should be the one that foots the bill for this endeavor and not state taxpayers. Thank you."

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

Representative Reyes Oda 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. 902, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Matsumoto, Reyes Oda, and Shimizu voting aye with reservations, with Representatives Garcia, Muraoka, and Pierick voting no, and with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Garrett, for the Committee on Higher Education, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 470) recommending that H.B. No. 441, HD 1, as amended in HD 2, be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 441, HD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CIGARETTE TAXES," was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Garrett, for the Committee on Higher Education, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 471) recommending that H.B. No. 1085, HD 1, as amended in HD 2, be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1085, HD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION," was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Sayama, for the Committee on Labor, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 472) recommending that H.B. No. 430, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 430, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO INTERNSHIPS," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Sayama, for the Committee on Labor, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 473) recommending that H.B. No. 827, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

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

No. 827, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION MEDICAL BENEFITS," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Sayama, for the Committee on Labor, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 474) recommending that H.B. No. 423, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 423, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Sayama, for the Committee on Labor, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 475) recommending that H.B. No. 162, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 162, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COLLECTIVE BARGAINING," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Sayama, for the Committee on Labor, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 476) recommending that H.B. No. 202, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 202, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE ADEQUATE RESERVE FUND," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Sayama, for the Committee on Labor, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 477) recommending that H.B. No. 165, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 165, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII LABOR RELATIONS BOARD," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Sayama, for the Committee on Labor, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 478) recommending that H.B. No. 164, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 164, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO INDEBTEDNESS TO THE STATE," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Sayama, for the Committee on Labor, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 479) recommending that H.B. No. 847, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 847, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HAWAII RETIREMENT SAVINGS ACT," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Sayama, for the Committee on Labor, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 480) recommending that H.B. No. 163, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 163, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO REIMBURSEMENT OF PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Sayama, for the Committee on Labor, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 481) recommending that H.B. No. 159, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 159, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO QUALIFIED COMMUNITY REHABILITATION PROGRAMS," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Sayama, for the Committee on Labor, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 482) recommending that H.B. No. 555, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representative Todd moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 555, HD 1 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

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

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

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

"Thank you, Madam Speaker. I rise in opposition. Although I understand that this is something that would be good for workers, I think it infringes on private enterprise to conduct their business according to what they think is best for their company. So, I think this is not really necessary. So, thank you, Madam Speaker."

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

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

Representative Muraoka 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. 555, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Matsumoto and Reyes Oda voting aye with reservations, with Representatives Garcia, Kong, Muraoka, Pierick, and Shimizu voting no, and with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Evslin, for the Committee on Housing, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 483) recommending that H.B. No. 417, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 417, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE RENTAL HOUSING REVOLVING FUND," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Evslin, for the Committee on Housing, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 484) recommending that H.B. No. 373, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 373, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HOUSING," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Evslin, for the Committee on Housing, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 485) recommending that H.B. No. 1009, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1009, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE DWELLING UNIT REVOLVING FUND," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Evslin, for the Committee on Housing, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 486) recommending that H.B. No. 529, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 529, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO STATE FINANCES," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Evslin, for the Committee on Housing, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 487) recommending that H.B. No. 833, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 833, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COMMUNITY LAND TRUSTS," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Evslin, for the Committee on Housing, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 488) recommending that H.B. No. 1432, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1432, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HOUSING," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Evslin, for the Committee on Housing, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 489) recommending that H.B. No. 1428, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representative Todd moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 1428, HD 1 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Pierick rose and asked that the Clerk record a no vote 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. 1428, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HOUSING," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representative Pierick voting no, and with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Evslin, for the Committee on Housing, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 490) recommending that H.B. No. 432, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representative Todd moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 432, HD 1 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Pierick rose and asked that the Clerk record a no vote 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. 432, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE RENTAL HOUSING REVOLVING FUND," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representative Pierick voting no, and with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Evslin, for the Committee on Housing, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 491) recommending that H.B. No. 374, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representative Todd moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 374, HD 1 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Pierick rose and asked that the Clerk record a no vote 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. 374, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HOUSING," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representative Pierick voting no, and with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Evslin, for the Committee on Housing, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 492) recommending that H.B. No. 1411, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs.

Representative Todd moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 1411, HD 1 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Pierick rose and asked that the Clerk record a no vote 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. 1411, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HOUSING PREFERENCE," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, with Representative Pierick voting no, and with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Ilagan, for the Committee on Economic Development & Technology, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 493) recommending that H.B. No. 1405, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1405, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PERMITS," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Ilagan, for the Committee on Economic Development & Technology, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 494) recommending that H.B. No. 1406, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representative Todd moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 1406, HD 1 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Pierick rose and asked that the Clerk record a no vote 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. 1406, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO GOVERNMENT PROCEDURES," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representative Pierick voting no, and with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Ilagan, for the Committee on Economic Development & Technology, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 495) recommending that H.B. No. 1407, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1407, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND TOURISM," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Ilagan, for the Committee on Economic Development & Technology, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 496) recommending that H.B. No. 454, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representative Todd moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 454, HD 1 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Pierick rose and asked that the Clerk record a no vote 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. 454, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representative Pierick voting no, and with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Ilagan, for the Committee on Economic Development & Technology, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 497) recommending that H.B. No. 457, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs.

Representative Todd moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 457, HD 1 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

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

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

Representative Pierick 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 a no vote for her, and the Chair "so ordered."

Representative Alcos rose and asked that the Clerk record a no vote 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. 457, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CIVIL RIGHTS PROTECTIONS," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, with Representatives Alcos, Garcia, Matsumoto, Muraoka, and Pierick voting no, and with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Ilagan, for the Committee on Economic Development & Technology, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 498) recommending that H.B. No. 476, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representative Todd moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 476, HD 1 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

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

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

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

"Thank you, Madam Speaker. I rise in opposition with comments, please. I think people are struggling and this would be very hurtful to them. So, thank you, Madam Speaker."

Representative Kong 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 a no vote for her, and the Chair "so ordered."

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

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

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

Representative Amato 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. 476, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CAPITAL GAINS TAX," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representative Amato voting aye with reservations, with Representatives Alcos, Garcia, Kong, Matsumoto, Muraoka, Pierick, Reyes Oda, and Shimizu voting no, and with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Ilagan, for the Committee on Economic Development & Technology, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 499) recommending that H.B. No. 577, HD 1, as amended in HD 2, be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 577, HD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION," was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Ilagan, for the Committee on Economic Development & Technology, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 500) recommending that H.B. No. 949, HD 1, as amended in HD 2, be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 949, HD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE LOW-INCOME HOUSING TAX CREDIT," was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Ilagan, for the Committee on Economic Development & Technology, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 501) recommending that H.B. No. 303, HD 1, as amended in HD 2, be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 303, HD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTHCARE PRECEPTORS," was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Lowen, for the Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 502) recommending that H.B. No. 242, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representative Todd moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 242, HD 1 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Garcia rose and asked that the Clerk record a no vote 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. 242, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTRIC VEHICLE BATTERIES," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representative Garcia voting no, and with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Lowen, for the Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 503) recommending that H.B. No. 344, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representative Todd moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 344, HD 1 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

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

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

"Thank you, Madam Speaker. I rise in support with reservations and a comment, please. Although I think this is a good idea in a provision, I think 25% is way too much. Thank you, Madam Speaker."

Representative Pierick rose and asked that the Clerk record a no vote 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. 344, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING INFRASTRUCTURE," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representative Shimizu voting aye with reservations, with Representatives Garcia and Pierick voting no, and with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Lowen, for the Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 504) recommending that H.B. No. 733, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs.

Representative Todd moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 733, HD 1 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

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

Representative Pierick rose and asked that the Clerk record a no vote 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. 733, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTRIC VEHICLE PARKING," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, with Representatives Garcia and Pierick voting no, and with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Lowen, for the Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 505) recommending that H.B. No. 1017, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1017, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE GREENHOUSE GAS SEQUESTRATION TASK FORCE," passed Second

Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Lowen, for the Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 506) recommending that H.B. No. 1022, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1022, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ENERGY INDUSTRY INFORMATION REPORTING," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Kila, for the Committee on Transportation, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 507) recommending that H.B. No. 1164, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1164, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HIGHWAY REVENUE BONDS," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Kila, for the Committee on Transportation, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 508) recommending that H.B. No. 537, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs.

Representative Todd moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 537, HD 1 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Garcia rose and asked that the Clerk record a no vote 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. 537, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TWO-WHEELED MOTORIZED VEHICLES," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, with Representative Garcia voting no, and with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Kapela, for the Committee on Culture & Arts, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 509) recommending that H.B. No. 1025, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1025, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE CENTER FOR CULTURAL AND TECHNICAL INTERCHANGE BETWEEN EAST AND WEST, INC.," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representatives Takayama and Marten, for the Committee on Health and the Committee on Human Services & Homelessness, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 510) recommending that H.B. No. 1462, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committees was adopted and H.B. No. 1462, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CRISIS SERVICES," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representatives Takayama and Marten, for the Committee on Health and the Committee on Human Services & Homelessness, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 511) recommending that H.B. No. 700, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representative Todd moved that the report of the Committees be adopted, and that H.B. No. 700, HD 1 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

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

"With reservations, thank you. I think it's a good idea to have this bill basically mandate our state to do certain health requirements. But if we focus in on the word 'mandate' or just the concept of us telling the state how to do health care, I think the private sector is better off at conducting those things. So, it's a good intent, but maybe we shouldn't tell them how to do it."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committees was adopted and H.B. No. 700, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COGNITIVE ASSESSMENTS," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representative Pierick voting aye with reservations, and with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Takayama, for the Committee on Health, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 512) recommending that H.B. No. 1004, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1004, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH CARE," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Takayama, for the Committee on Health, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 513) recommending that H.B. No. 1379, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1379, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Takayama, for the Committee on Health, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 514) recommending that H.B. No. 1112, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1112, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO VIRAL HEPATITIS," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Takayama, for the Committee on Health, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 515) recommending that H.B. No. 951, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

Representative Todd moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 951, HD 1 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

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

Representative Alcos 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. 951, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PRESCRIPTION DRUGS," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection &

Commerce, with Representatives Alcos and Garcia voting aye with reservations, and with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Takayama, for the Committee on Health, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 516) recommending that H.B. No. 1115, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representative Todd moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 1115, HD 1 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

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

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

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

Representative Kong 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 a no vote for her, and the Chair "so ordered."

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

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

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

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

"I rise in support. I just wanted to clarify that this bill is about universal purchasing, so enabling our state to ensure supply at a reasonable and fair price for our healthcare providers, many of whom are small businesses, and our consumers who may wish to have that product."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1115, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO UNIVERSAL IMMUNIZATION FUNDING PROGRAM," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Reyes Oda and Shimizu voting aye with reservations, with Representatives Alcos, Garcia, Kong, Matsumoto, Muraoka, and Pierick voting no, and with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Marten, for the Committee on Human Services & Homelessness, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 517) recommending that H.B. No. 1100, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representative Todd moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 1100, HD 1 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

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

Representative Pierick rose and asked that the Clerk record a no vote 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. 1100, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ACT 253, SESSION LAWS OF HAWAII 2023," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representative Garcia voting aye with reservations, with Representative Pierick voting no, and with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Marten, for the Committee on Human Services & Homelessness, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 518)

recommending that H.B. No. 384, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs.

Representative Todd moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 384, HD 1 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

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

"Thank you, Madam Speaker. I rise in support with comments, please. I want to thank the introducer for this important bill and thank my fellow colleagues for moving this forward and passing this legislation. Thank you."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 384, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SEXUAL OFFENSES AGAINST MINORS," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Marten, for the Committee on Human Services & Homelessness, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 519) recommending that H.B. No. 703, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 703, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO KUPUNA HOUSING," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Marten, for the Committee on Human Services & Homelessness, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 520) recommending that H.B. No. 689, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs.

Representative Todd moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 689, HD 1 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

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

"Thank you, Madam Speaker. Again, I want to just rise in support with comments, please. Again, acknowledging this great bill and appreciate the introducer for introducing this important protection for our most in need. So, thank you."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 689, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SEXUAL EXPLOITATION," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Marten, for the Committee on Human Services & Homelessness, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 521) recommending that H.B. No. 1283, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1283, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FAMILY," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Marten, for the Committee on Human Services & Homelessness, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 522) recommending that H.B. No. 963, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 963, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMES AGAINST ELDERLY," passed Second Reading and was referred to the

Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Marten, for the Committee on Human Services & Homelessness, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 523) recommending that H.B. No. 244, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 244, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Marten, for the Committee on Human Services & Homelessness, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 524) recommending that H.B. No. 613, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representative Todd moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 613, HD 1 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

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

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

Representative Pierick 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."

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

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

"Thank you, Madam Speaker. I rise in support with reservations and a comment, please. I feel that this provision is very good. My concern is to make sure parental rights are protected with good communication between the child and the parent. Thank you."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 613, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HOMELESS YOUTH," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Matsumoto and Shimizu voting aye with reservations, with Representatives Alcos, Garcia, Muraoka, and Pierick voting no, and with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Matayoshi, for the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 525) recommending that H.B. No. 480, HD 1 be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 480, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION," was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Matayoshi, for the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 526) recommending that H.B. No. 139, HD 1, as amended in HD 2, be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representative Todd moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 139, HD 2 be referred to the Committee on Finance, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

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

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

"Thank you, with reservations, brief comment. Same reservations with other insurance mandates that I've mentioned previously on other bills. Thank you, Madam Speaker."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 139, HD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE," was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Belatti and Garcia voting aye with reservations, and with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Matayoshi, for the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 527) recommending that H.B. No. 47, HD 1, as amended in HD 2, be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 47, HD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AQUACULTURE," was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Matayoshi, for the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 528) recommending that H.B. No. 470, HD 1, as amended in HD 2, be referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs.

Representative Todd moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 470, HD 2 be referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

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

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

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

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

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

Representative Alcos rose and asked that the Clerk record a no vote 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. 470, HD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO NOISE," was referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, with Representatives Reyes Oda and Shimizu voting aye with reservations, with Representatives Alcos, Garcia, Kong, and Muraoka voting no, and with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Matayoshi, for the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 529) recommending that H.B. No. 72, HD 1, as amended in HD 2, be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 72, HD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PHARMACY," was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Matayoshi, for the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 530) recommending that H.B. No. 1054, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1054, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ADMINISTRATIVE LICENSURE ACTIONS AGAINST SEX OFFENDERS," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Takayama, for the Committee on Health, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 531) recommending that H.B. No. 715, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 715, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO VITAL STATISTICS," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

Representative Takayama, for the Committee on Health, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 532) recommending that H.B. No. 1118, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs.

Representative Todd moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 1118, HD 1 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Kong 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 a no vote for her, and the Chair "so ordered."

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

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

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

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

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

"In opposition. Madam Speaker, I rise in strong opposition to House Bill 1118, a bill that seeks to remove the religious exemption to vaccinations within the DOE. This bill is a direct assault on the First Amendment of our parents and families within our state. The First Amendment is clear, the government shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion or prohibiting the free exercise thereof. This bill would do exactly that, prohibit the free exercise of religion by families who hold sincere convictions regarding vaccinations.

"This is about more than just policy. It's about our fundamental rights. This bill tells parents across Hawai'i, we don't care what your beliefs are. We, the state, know what's best for you. It's a bold assertion by the government that it can dictate the choices of families that they make with their children. And that is simply unacceptable.

"Let's look at the larger picture. In California, about 10 years ago, their Senate passed a bill similar to this one, which removed non-medical exemptions to vaccinations for children attending schools. The impact was immediate and undeniable. School enrollment in their public school system dropped dramatically as families were forced to choose between their deeply held beliefs or their children's education. Again, forcing families to choose between their personal convictions and beliefs and their children's education. That's the reality when the government takes away the freedom of conscience and the right to choose.

"It has been mentioned that this bill is needed due to the drop in certain vaccine rates here in Hawai'i, with the rate of herd immunity below 95%,

just under it, for certain vaccines. Officials claims that this poses a public health risk to our population. But I ask the question, why isn't the Health Department focusing on educating the public about the importance of vaccinations? If the Health Department truly wants to encourage public participation and involvement, it's called informed consent, not force, not coercion. We must empower our families with knowledge, allowing them to make their own decisions based on an understanding and respect for their personal values, rather than pushing them into compliance through mandates.

"Many years ago, a wise man once said, 'those who would give up essential liberty to purchase a little temporary safety, deserve neither liberty nor safety.' That man is on your \$100 bill.

"Madam Speaker, we are being asked today to sacrifice our essential liberties, our right to religious freedom, and to make decisions for our own families, all for the promise of safety. But in doing so, we undermine the very freedoms that make us who we are as a state and as a nation.

"This isn't just about vaccinations. It's about our fundamental rights as a free people in a free nation. It's about the liberty of conscience. The ability to make decisions based on our personal beliefs should never be taken away by the government.

"So, today on this floor, are we willing to stand up for the rights of families? Are we willing to protect the liberty of conscience? Or will we give in to an overreach that compromises our freedoms. This bill was introduced by request of the governor. That says a lot. I urge this body to reject House Bill 1118. Let's protect the rights of Hawai'i's families and stand firm in defense of our God-given liberties. *Mahalo.*"

Representative Alcos rose to respond, stating:

"Second time, Speaker. I would like to adopt the words of District 42 as my own, and I also have a comment. This bill, as the governor put it out, I feel that it's more focusing about COVID. Forcing our kids to get the COVID shot. I know this talks about many different type of drugs. But COVID is a new drug that we still know, wondering what's the side effect. And thinking the measles, all the other drugs, is about 100 years old, at least 50 years shown what's the history that it can do to our families and our kids. But taking all these new drugs and new shots, we not even sure what's going to happen in the future that the COVID shot that I had to take. I didn't want to take the COVID shot, but because my wife was in the hospital and for me to stand on her bedside, it was forced me to take that shot. But now you having the churches to be forced in that direction, having the schools to be forced in that direction as well. I think it's against our Constitution and I think our state, our government is overreaching. And for that reason, I'm really opposed to that. Thank you."

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

"Thank you, Madam Speaker. I rise in opposition to House Bill 1118, HD 1. This bill is about removing non-medical exemptions for immunization requirements. But an argument in opposition is not just about religious freedom, but moreover, it is about bodily autonomy and parental autonomy. This bill not only tinkers on a slippery slope as it imposes further barriers on personal freedoms, but it will serve as Pandora's box in infringing on constitutional rights despite the compelling government interest that this bill promotes. Thank you."

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

Representative Perruso's written remarks are as follows:

"Thoughtful public health policy requires community engagement.

"As a firm supporter of strong public health measures and preventative care, I have deep reservations about HB 1118, which seeks to repeal the religious exemption for vaccinations in our public schools. While I recognize the intent behind the bill—to increase vaccination rates and protect public health—good policy must be grounded in education, trust, and community buy-in. I do not support this measure.

"Since 2020, we have had the opportunity to foster meaningful conversations about public health, yet neither the Department of Education

(DOE) nor the Department of Health (DOH) has engaged in these discussions with our school communities. As the representative for 13 schools in my district, I can attest that no concerted effort has been made to educate families, build trust, or ensure that school communities are well-informed about the necessity of strong immunization practices.

"Instead of taking the time to build this foundation, HB 1118 seeks to impose a top-down mandate without adequate public engagement. This approach risks widespread resistance, increased student withdrawals, and costly legal battles—none of which serve the long-term goal of improving public health outcomes. Successful public health policy requires more than enforcement; it requires education, transparency, and collaboration with the communities it impacts.

"I urge my colleagues and state agencies to prioritize proactive engagement with school communities before resorting to sweeping mandates. Without this groundwork, we risk undermining the very goals we seek to achieve."

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

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

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

"Madam Speaker, in support. Madam Speaker, there are several reasons why supporting the bill before us is the right thing to do. Among them, the percentage of our schoolchildren who are vaccinated against dangerous diseases has fallen below what is considered a safe level. The safe rate is 95% vaccination. As of last year, the rate of vaccinated kindergartners here in Hawai'i was about 86%. That's the third lowest in the nation. Thirty-six of our schools report that more than half of their students are missing all of their required vaccinations.

"One reason for all of this is the large number of students who are claiming religious exemptions from their required vaccinations. And by the way, COVID is not among the required vaccinations under our state law. More than 5% of our student population claim a religious exemption. That's double from just a few years ago, and it's accelerating at a rapid rate.

"This is concerning because for a large number of students, almost 300, they cannot be vaccinated for medical reasons. This puts them at risk for crippling, even deadly diseases. Not to mention being also at risk the thousands of students who are choosing not to be vaccinated on religious grounds. And yes, we are seeing a rise, here in Hawai'i, in diseases such as chickenpox, whooping cough, and mumps. All of them preventable by vaccination.

"There are those who object to this measure as unconstitutional. I would point out that Connecticut enacted this very same law in 2021. It was upheld in courts, including the U.S. Supreme Court.

"If parents have a religious exemption for a child, that child will continue to keep that religious exemption for as long as he or she remains in school. If you object to this bill because your child suffers an adverse reaction to any vaccination, that child can apply for a medical exemption, which will remain under this measure.

"Finally, I want to make a special point of commending Governor Green, who has, as we all know, traveled to Washington, D.C., to support vaccinations. By introducing this bill here today, he is emphasizing the importance of vaccinations here in Hawai'i, too. For all those reasons, Madam Speaker, I ask my colleagues to do the right thing and support this measure. Thank you."

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

"Thank you, Madam Speaker. In support. I would like to have the words of the previous speaker as if they were my own," and the Chair "so ordered." (By reference only.)

Representative Morikawa continued, stating:

"And I'd also like to add, my generation understands the importance of vaccinations. When we were born, we were automatically given the drops

in the eyes and whatever shots were required. It wasn't a choice because our parents and grandparents had gone through the many diseases that wreaked havoc in Hawai'i. When we step on nails or get cut by rusty items, we were given the tetanus shot because we were afraid of lockjaw.

"I understand the hesitancy of requiring vaccinations, but we must use the facts and science to make our decisions. COVID showed us what can happen when a vaccine is not available. I will admit that I'm afraid of shots. But I also admit that vaccinations save lives.

"My greatest fear today is that we are losing herd immunity. Because vaccination rates are declining, whooping cough, mumps, Hepatitis A, chickenpox are cases that have appeared in Hawai'i from the last 10 years. Therefore, we must act on this legislation, even though advocates beg us not to do so. Thank you, Madam Speaker."

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

"I rise in strong support and I'd like to have the words of the Health chair adopted as if they were my own," and the Chair "so ordered." (By reference only.)

Representative Marten continued, stating:

"And I just wanted to add to that that having worked in third world countries in health care, there are places where people are still witnessing these childhood diseases. And as our representative from Kaua'i was describing, it is an active memory and active appreciation of the harm.

"These vaccines are, to be honest, one of the greatest miracles of Western medicine. They have dramatically expanded our life expectancy. They have saved parents from incredible harm and suffering when they watch their children die or become permanently harmed. And that is something that bizarrely, we are bringing back into our society today. And while we are not suggesting that parents can't make that choice, though it might be one they will regret if their child ends up dying of a vaccine-preventable disease, what we are saying is we'd like to protect children who can't mount their own immune response, who are not able to get the benefit of the vaccine for whatever reason and allow them to attend our schools. Thank you."

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

"Thank you, Madam Speaker. I rise in support. I would like to have the words from the Health chair inserted into the Journal as if they were my own. And I would just want to add that the federal administration has begun to pull funds and stall research into medicine. It has pulled out of the World Health Organization and wiped critical health information from the Centers for Disease Control. So, my support for this is because if we are going to go down this route, the federal administration is going to go down this path, disease will mutate and vaccines will be obsolete. And that will put our kids and our adults that are vaccinated at serious risk. Thank you, Madam Speaker," and the Chair "so ordered." (By reference only.)

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

"Thank you, Madam Speaker. In support with reservations, brief comment. My reservations lie with how this bill will be implemented, the legal challenges it will face, and the delay that we will actually face in actually vaccinating and immunizing children should we choose this route. Thank you, Madam Speaker."

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

"Thank you, Madam Speaker. Strong, strong opposition. I'd just like to say, as a parent of six children, I don't think any rule or any law, any legislation, and any government should tell me how to treat my child, what to do for my child. I think that should be between myself as a parent—"

Representative Tam rose to a point of order, stating:

"Speaker, point of order. I think that the speaker should be addressing the rostrum."

Representative Muraoka continued, stating:

"I apologize. So, as I was saying, as a parent, I think that decision should be strongly between myself and my family doctor. Thank you."

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

"In opposition, thank you. I'm very much against this bill. I used to serve in the Air Force Chaplain Corps, and I would support airmen and guardians and their family members getting a religious exemption from immunizations or other things in the US Air Force. I used to serve in the hospice with Bristol as a chaplain, where I would help people accommodate their religious exemptions.

"This Department of Education should not be exempt from our First Amendment right to pursue our faith as sincerely held as we have it. A previous Supreme Court, not a case, but just in general, the Supreme Court was referenced. I could share similar information on the opposing side saying, no, there's Supreme Court cases that are saying that this bill, if became law, would become challenged and they wouldn't be supported. Thank you."

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

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

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

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

"Thank you, Madam Speaker. With reservations. I'd like to request that the words of the representative from Makakilo be introduced into the Journal as if they were my own," and the Chair "so ordered." (By reference only.)

Representative Hussey continued, stating:

"In addition, I'd like to mention that I think actually, surprise, surprise, I actually think that the minority floor leader makes a good point, which is that education is incredibly important. However, I do disagree respectfully with my colleague in that I don't believe that this bill does violate the First Amendment.

"And I should say that as a parent of three children, I think that vaccines are really important, simply because we take the vaccines and we have the vaccines administered to our children because it's what provides health for the greater good. It's really about public health and not just our personal choices. So, thanks for the opportunity to speak. Thank you."

Representative Garcia rose to respond, stating:

"Second time, in opposition still. Madam Speaker, I don't think any of us on our side of the aisle today is saying that vaccines don't work. This argument isn't about vaccines or whether or not they're important. Of course they're important. Of course they save lives. Of course they're a world miracle that we have vaccines today. But it boils down to someone's individual belief. This country was founded from people fleeing religious persecution, and they wanted to be in a land where no matter what they believed in, the government could not tell them, you're wrong, we're right. This bill does exactly that.

"The issue shouldn't be whether or not vaccines are safe. About 95% are already vaccinated. Our schools already require vaccinations. This is just for certain families, parents, who feel that this is a violation of their religious faith, very small minority. And as a free country, as a free state, we should make every accommodation to accommodate those religious beliefs.

"For all those reasons and for our firm belief that this is not constitutional, I make a motion that we recommit House Bill 1118 back to the Health Committee."

At this time, Representative Garcia moved to recommit H.B. No. 1118, HD 1 to the Committee on Health, seconded by Representative Pierick.

At 1:17 p.m., the Chair declared a recess subject to the call of the Chair.

The House of Representatives reconvened at 1:19 p.m.

At this time, the Chair stated:

"Members, there will be limited debate on the merits of the motion to recommit. Is there any discussion?"

Representative Pierick rose to speak in support of the motion to recommit, stating:

"In support of the motion to recommit. Thank you. I believe a majority, if not many of our constituents, in at least my district and in our state, would not like this bill to become law. So, in furthering their perspectives and desires, I believe that we should make this bill—"

Representative Souza rose to a point of order, stating:

"Point of order, Madam Speaker. We're not arguing on the substantive merits of the bill, but the procedural merits. His argument is substantive in nature."

The Chair addressed Representative Pierick, stating:

"Thank you. Representative Pierick, please confine your debate to the motion to recommit."

Representative Pierick continued, stating:

"Thank you. So, with everything said, I believe we should vote yes on recommitting this bill."

At this time, Representative Garcia moved for a roll call vote, seconded by Representative Alcos.

At this time, the Chair stated:

"So noted. We will take that up at the appropriate time, after discussion."

Representative Perruso rose to speak in opposition to the motion to recommit, stating:

"Madam Speaker, I oppose the recommitment. Although I voted no on this measure, I do think the public conversation should continue as long as the process carries us. I voted no for very different reasons than many of the other members voted no. And I do think this is an important public conversation. I won't go into the reasons that I voted no, but I think the process is important and I'm opposed to the recommitment."

Representative Souza rose to speak in opposition to the motion to recommit, stating:

"Thank you, Madam Speaker. I'm in opposition to the recommitment as well. And I want to also make that very clear to the public watching the floor proceeding today, that this is not a substantive debate that we're having right now, this is a procedural debate as to the recommitment. I also voted no for my own reasons that I stated previously on this measure. But I think recommitting this bill, again, is essentially killing this bill. And I think as Republicans and being on this side of the aisle, we should want transparency, we should want the conversation to continue, and we should not be a part of the problem—"

Representative Garcia rose to a point of order, stating:

"Point of order, Madam Speaker. The comments that was made about being Republican is not pertaining to the recommitment. Thank you."

The Chair addressed Representative Souza, stating:

"Representative Souza, please confine your remarks to the merits of the recommitment."

Representative Souza continued, stating:

"Sure, but I am a Republican, so I am speaking on behalf of myself. And so, I basically want to express the fact that we should not be a part of the problem. We should want the process to unfold no matter what we think about the substantive merits of the bill. And we should allow the procedural process to take place and do things in the light. And that would entail the

bill not being recommitment and to proceed further on to the next committee and to continue on in the legislative process. Thank you."

Representative Belatti rose to speak in opposition to the motion to recommit, stating:

"Thank you. I also stand in opposition to recommitment. I would like to support the words of my colleague and co-convenor of the Good Government Caucus. I think for transparency's sake, we should oppose this recommitment. Thank you, Madam Speaker."

Representative Iwamoto rose to speak in opposition to the motion to recommit, stating:

"Thank you, Madam Speaker. I rise in opposition to the motion to recommit. And may the words of representative from Wahiaiwā be counted as my own," and the Chair "so ordered." (By reference only.)

At this time, the Chair stated:

"Members, a roll call vote has been requested. All those in favor of a roll call vote, please signify such by raising your hands. Mr. Clerk, is there a sufficient number of votes?"

The Clerk then stated:

"Madam Speaker, there is an insufficient number of votes."

The request for roll call was put to vote by the Chair and upon a show of hands, the request was denied.

The Chair then stated:

"Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Okay, members, we are going to take a voice vote on the motion to recommit. Vote aye if you are in favor of the recommitment, vote no if you are opposed to the recommitment. All those in favor say aye. The motion to recommit has failed."

The motion to recommit H.B. No. 1118, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO NON-MEDICAL EXEMPTIONS TO IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS," to the Committee on Health was put to a vote by the Chair and upon a voice vote, failed to carry, with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

(Main Motion)

Representative Pierick rose, stating:

"I make a motion for a roll call vote, not for the recommitment, but a roll call vote for the bill itself."

At 1:24 p.m., the Chair declared a recess subject to the call of the Chair.

The House of Representatives reconvened at 1:25 p.m.

The Chair addressed Representative Pierick, stating:

"Representative Pierick, the Chair will rule your motion out of order. We are back to the main motion, any further discussion on Standing Committee Report 532?"

Representative Pierick rose to a point of order, stating:

"Just a point of order, if I may add, I don't believe it's out of order. As we've discussed a moment ago, we agreed that we're not going to make a voice vote because we're both agreeing that we're not going to do that for all hundred-plus bills. That's not necessarily out of order."

Vice Speaker Ichiyama: "Noted. Thank you, Representative Pierick."

Representative Iwamoto rose, stating:

"Thank you, Madam Speaker. Which rule are you citing to declare that out of order?"

Vice Speaker Ichiyama: "It is our House Rules for bills passing second reading."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1118, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO NON-MEDICAL EXEMPTIONS TO IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, with Representatives Belatti, Chun, Hussey, Lamosao, Olds, and Poepoe voting aye with reservations, with Representatives Alcos, Garcia, Kila, Kong, Matsumoto, Muraoka, Perruso, Pierick, Reyes Oda, Shimizu, and Souza voting no, and with Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS

By unanimous consent, the following concurrent resolution (H.C.R. No. 13) was referred to Printing and further action was deferred:

H.C.R. No. 13, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE AUDITOR TO CONDUCT A SOCIAL AND FINANCIAL ASSESSMENT OF PROPOSED MANDATORY HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR TRADITIONAL NATIVE HAWAIIAN HEALING AND CULTURAL PRACTICES OFFERED THROUGH FEDERALLY QUALIFIED HEALTH CENTERS OR NATIVE HAWAIIAN HEALTH CARE SYSTEMS," was jointly offered by Representatives Marten, Belatti, Garcia, Ichiyama, Kila, Lee, Olds, Pierick, Souza, and Takayama.

LATE INTRODUCTIONS

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

Representative Takayama introduced Dr. Kenneth Fink, director, State Department of Health.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Representative Garcia: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. Just one quick announcement as a good thing happened today, a former member of this body was just confirmed and is now a member of the presidential cabinet. So, congratulations to former House member Tulsi Gabbard."

Representative Matayoshi, for the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, requested a waiver of the 48-hour advanced notice requirement for the purpose of hearing the following measure Thursday, February 13, 2025, at 2:00 p.m. in Conference Room 329, and the Chair "so ordered."

H.B. No. 750, HD 1, Relating to the Environment.

COMMITTEE REASSIGNMENTS

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

H.B.

No. Re-referred to:

792, Committee on Legislative Management, then to the Committee on
HD1 Finance

ADJOURNMENT

At 1:28 p.m., on motion by Representative Morikawa, seconded by Representative Garcia and carried, the House of Representatives adjourned until noon tomorrow, Thursday, February 13, 2025. (Representatives Cochran, Sayama, and Ward were excused.)