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THIRTIETH DAY

Wednesday, March 12, 2025

The House of Representatives of the Thirty-Third Legislature of the State of Hawai'i, Regular Session of 2025, convened at 12:08 p.m., with Speaker Nakamura presiding.

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

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

GOVERNOR'S MESSAGES

The following messages from the Governor (Gov. Msg. Nos. 5 and 6) were received and announced by the Clerk and were placed on file:

Gov. Msg. No. 5, dated March 11, 2025, requesting the immediate passage of H.B. No. 1153, HD 1, Relating to Funding Adjustments for State Programs, with proposed amendments inserting emergency appropriation provisions for the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation.

Gov. Msg. No. 6, dated March 11, 2025, requesting the consideration of the following special purpose revenue bond bill: H.B. No. 341, HD 1, SD 1.

INTRODUCTIONS

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

REMARKS DELIVERED:

Rep. Tarnas Rep. Quinlan Rep. Todd Rep. Perruso Rep. Takenouchi

ORDER OF THE DAY

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS (FLOOR PRESENTATIONS)

The following resolution (H.R. No. 205) was announced by the Clerk and the following action taken:

H.R. No. 205, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING AND HONORING OUTSTANDING EDUCATORS JANYCE OMURA, JESSICA DOS SANTOS, DENISE MAZURIK, 'ĪMAIKALANI WINCHESTER, AND RICHARD ORNELLAS DURING CIVIC LEARNING WEEK FOR THEIR WORK IN PROMOTING AND ADVANCING CIVIC EDUCATION IN THE STATE," was offered by Representative Perruso.

Representative Perruso moved that H.R. No. 205 be adopted, seconded by Representative Woodson.

Representative Perruso recognized outstanding educators recently recognized by the Hawaii State Commission to Protect and Advance Civic Education, shared how the PACE Commission underscores how democracy requires the active participation of informed citizens, and that foundation is laid in our classrooms by dedicated educators; highlighted the accomplishments and contributions of the 2025 PACE Outstanding Educators; and congratulated and introduced honorees who were seated on the Floor of the House:

Denise Mazurik, Waiākea Intermediate School; Jessica dos Santos, Hawai'i Technology Academy; and Imaikalani Winchester, Hālau Kū Mana, who was unable to attend.

Representative Poepoe shared how the honorees have worked to broaden students' horizons and cultivate critical leadership skills; recognized their commitment to creating opportunities for students excel; and congratulated and introduced honorees who were seated on the Floor of the House:

Richard Ornellas, Moloka'i High School; and Janyce Omura, Maui High School.

Representative Perruso also recognized and thanked guests of the honorees who were seated in the gallery.

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and H.R. No. 205 was adopted, with Representatives Alcos, Cochran, Holt, Ichiyama, and Ward being excused.

At 12:20 p.m., the Chair declared a recess to allow the members to meet and congratulate the honorees.

The House of Representatives reconvened at 12:31 p.m.

SUSPENSION OF RULES

On motion by Representative Morikawa, seconded by Representative Garcia and carried, the rules were suspended for the purpose of considering certain House Bills for Third Reading by consent calendar. (Representatives Alcos, Cochran, Hashem, Holt, Lowen, Sayama, and Ward were excused.)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1171) recommending that H.B. No. 400, as amended in HD 1, pass Third Reading.

On motion by Representative Todd, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 400, HD I, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE JUDICIARY," passed Third Reading by a vote of 46 ayes, with Representatives Alcos, Cochran, Holt, Sayama, and Ward being excused.

At 12:33 p.m., the Chair noted that the following bill passed Third Reading:

H.B. No. 400, HD 1

THIRD READING

H.B. No. 300, HD 1:

Representative Todd moved that H.B. No. 300, HD 1 pass Third Reading. seconded by Representative Morikawa.

REMARKS DELIVERED: Rep. Yamashita

Rep. Tarnas Rep. Yamashita Rep. Takenouchi Rep. Morikawa Rep. Lamosao Rep. Grandinetti Rep. Hussey

Rep. Keohokapu-Lee Loy

Rep. Kusch Rep. Lee Rep. Miyake Rep. Templo Rep. Kitagawa Rep. Iwamoto Rep. Garcia Rep. Souza Rep. Matsumoto Rep. Pierick Rep. Muraoka Rep. Reyes Oda Rep. Pierick Rep. Shimizu Rep. Yamashita

TO BE INSERTED:

Rep. Matsumoto Rep. Yamashita

(Submit by Monday, March 17)

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and H.B. No. 300, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET," passed Third Reading by a vote of 47 ayes, with Representatives Garcia, Iwamoto, Matsumoto, Muraoka, Pierick, and Shimizu voting aye with reservations, and with Representatives Alcos, Cochran, Holt, and Ward being excused.

At 1:16 p.m., the Chair noted that the following bill passed Third Reading:

H.B. No. 300, HD 1

ADJOURNMENT

At 1:16 p.m., on motion by Representative Morikawa, seconded by Representative Garcia and carried, the House of Representatives adjourned until noon tomorrow, Thursday, March 13, 2025. (Representatives Alcos, Cochran, Holt, and Ward were excused.)