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## FIFTY-FIRST DAY

Friday, April 24, 2026

The House of Representatives of the Thirty-Third Legislature of the State of Hawai'i, Regular Session of 2026, convened at 12:04 p.m., with Vice Speaker Ichiyama presiding.

The Roll was called showing all members present with the exception of Representatives Kong and Sayama.

By unanimous consent, reading and approval of the Journal of the House of Representatives of the Forty-Ninth and Fiftieth Days was deferred.

## GOVERNOR'S MESSAGES

The following message from the Governor (Gov. Msg. No. 1104) was received and announced by the Clerk and was placed on file:

Gov. Msg. No. 1104, informing the House that on April 23, 2026, the following bill was signed into law:

S.B. No. 2256, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO BROTHER JOSEPH DUTTON DAY." (ACT 004)

## SENATE COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications from the Senate (Sen. Com. Nos. 726 through 742) were received and announced by the Clerk:

Sen. Com. No. 726, transmitting H.C.R. No. 19, HD 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION DESIGNATING THE MONTH OF MARCH AS MARCH4WATER MONTH IN HAWAII," which was adopted by the Senate on April 23, 2026.

Sen. Com. No. 727, transmitting H.C.R. No. 36, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A SISTER-STATE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE STATE OF HAWAII, UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, AND THE PREFECTURE OF OKAYAMA, JAPAN," which was adopted by the Senate on April 23, 2026.

Sen. Com. No. 728, transmitting H.C.R. No. 61, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO WORK WITH ITS PARTNERS TO INCREASE INVESTMENT IN POLICIES, INCENTIVES, WORKFORCE, AND NURSERY CAPACITY TO REFOREST HAWAII'S PUBLIC AND PRIVATE LANDS," which was adopted by the Senate on April 23, 2026.

Sen. Com. No. 729, transmitting H.C.R. No. 83, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE USE OF THE DWELLING UNIT REVOLVING FUND TO FUND PREDEVELOPMENT COSTS FOR ANY GOVERNMENT AFFORDABLE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT PROJECT THROUGH INTERIM LOANS TO EXPEDITE THE DELIVERY OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING TO HAWAII'S RESIDENTS," which was adopted by the Senate on April 23, 2026.

Sen. Com. No. 730, transmitting H.C.R. No. 106, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION ENDORSING WAIKIKI AS A WORLD SURFING RESERVE," which was adopted by the Senate on April 23, 2026.

Sen. Com. No. 731, transmitting H.C.R. No. 110, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII BOARD OF REGENTS TO REVIEW AND REFINE THE OPERATIONAL MISSIONS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII'S FOUR-YEAR INSTITUTIONS TO ENSURE THAT EACH CAMPUS FULFILLS A DISTINCT AND COMPLEMENTARY ROLE IN SERVING STUDENTS AND THE STATE," which was adopted by the Senate on April 23, 2026.

Sen. Com. No. 732, transmitting H.C.R. No. 111, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII TO REVIEW AND CLARIFY THE ROLES, RESPONSIBILITIES, AND FUNCTIONS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII SYSTEM IN RELATION TO THE

RESPONSIBILITIES OF INDIVIDUAL CAMPUSES," which was adopted by the Senate on April 23, 2026.

Sen. Com. No. 733, transmitting H.C.R. No. 118, HD 1, SD 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO STRENGTHEN MENSTRUAL HEALTH EDUCATION INITIATIVES AND TO ADOPT A COMPREHENSIVE MENSTRUAL CYCLE CURRICULUM," which was adopted by the Senate on April 23, 2026.

Sen. Com. No. 734, transmitting H.C.R. No. 122, SD 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII TO CONSIDER OFFERING OLELO HAWAII MICRO-CREDENTIALS FOCUSING ON OLELO NIIHAU," which was adopted by the Senate on April 23, 2026.

Sen. Com. No. 735, transmitting H.C.R. No. 162, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN ARTS DATA AND MAPPING TASK FORCE TO CONDUCT A STATEWIDE SURVEY OF ENTITIES ENGAGED IN ARTS AND ARTS EDUCATION AND DEVELOP A COMPREHENSIVE STATEWIDE DATABASE AND GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEM MAP OF ARTS ENTITIES AND PROGRAMS," which was adopted by the Senate on April 23, 2026.

Sen. Com. No. 736, dated April 24, 2026, informing the House that the President has made the following changes to the Senate Conferee assignments for the following bill:

S.B. No. 847, Senate Conferees Changed:  
SD 2, HD 2 Senator San Buenaventura added as Chair.  
Senator Fevella discharged as Conferee.  
Senator Kanuha discharged as Chair; added as Member.

Sen. Com. No. 737, dated April 23, 2026, informing the House that the President has appointed as conferees on the part of the Senate, for the consideration of amendments proposed by the Senate to the following House Bills:

H.B. No. 463, Keohokalole, Chair; Rhoads/Wakai, Co-Chairs;  
HD 3, SD 2 McKelvey  
H.B. No. 1546, McKelvey, Chair; Wakai, Co-Chair;  
HD 1, SD 2 Awa  
H.B. No. 1969, Keohokalole, Chair; Wakai, Co-Chair;  
HD 2, SD 1 San Buenaventura  
H.B. No. 2475, Richards, Chair; Lamosao, Co-Chair;  
HD 1, SD 1 DeCorte

Sen. Com. No. 738, dated April 23, 2026, informing the House that the President has appointed as conferees on the part of the Senate, for the consideration of amendments proposed by the Senate to the following House Bills:

H.B. No. 963, San Buenaventura, Chair; Rhoads, Co-Chair;  
HD 2, SD 2 McKelvey  
H.B. No. 1334, San Buenaventura, Chair;  
HD 3, SD 2 Rhoads/Keohokalole, Co-Chairs  
H.B. No. 1707, Gabbard, Chair; Kanuha, Co-Chair;  
HD 1, SD 2 Richards, DeCoite  
H.B. No. 2361, Lee, C., Chair; Moriwaki, Co-Chair;  
HD 1, SD 1 Keohokalole  
H.B. No. 2576, San Buenaventura, Chair; Rhoads, Co-Chair;  
HD 2, SD 2 McKelvey

Sen. Com. No. 739, dated April 23, 2026, informing the House that the President has appointed as conferees on the part of the Senate, for the consideration of amendments proposed by the House to the following Senate Bills:

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S.B. No. 148, SD 2, HD 3	Keohokalole, Chair; DeCoite/Wakai/Rhoads, Co-Chairs; McKelvey, Awa
S.B. No. 874, SD 2, HD 2	Gabbard, Chair; Keohokalole, Co-Chair; Richards, Awa
S.B. No. 2471, SD 2, HD 2	Keohokalole, Chair; Rhoads, Co-Chair; Fukunaga, McKelvey, Awa
S.B. No. 2816, SD 1, HD 1	DeCoite, Chair; Kim/Hashimoto, Co-Chairs
S.B. No. 3069, SD 1, HD 1	Elefante, Chair; McKelvey/Hashimoto, Co-Chairs; Lamosao
S.B. No. 3103, SD 2, HD 1	San Buenaventura, Chair; McKelvey/Kanuha, Co-Chairs
S.B. No. 3320, SD 1, HD 1	DeCoite, Chair; Gabbard/Wakai, Co-Chairs
S.B. No. 3324, SD 1, HD 1	San Buenaventura, Chair; Moriwaki, Co-Chair; Fevella

Sen. Com. No. 740, dated April 23, 2026, informing the House that the President has appointed as conferees on the part of the Senate, for the consideration of amendments proposed by the House to the following Senate Bills:

S.B. No. 1166, SD 2, HD 2	Keohokalole, Chair; Inouye/Rhoads, Co-Chairs
S.B. No. 2433, SD 1, HD 2	Fukunaga, Chair; Wakai, Co-Chair; Awa
S.B. No. 2487, SD 1, HD 1	Keohokalole, Chair; Wakai/Inouye, Co-Chairs; McKelvey, Awa
S.B. No. 2623, SD 2, HD 1	Lamosao, Chair; Fukunaga, Awa
S.B. No. 2876, HD 1	Lamosao, Chair; Keohokalole, Co-Chair; Awa
S.B. No. 2961, SD 1, HD 1	Keohokalole, Chair; Wakai, Co-Chair; Awa
S.B. No. 3199, SD 1, HD 1	McKelvey, Chair; Moriwaki, Co-Chair; Fevella

Sen. Com. No. 741, dated April 23, 2026, informing the House that the President has appointed as conferees on the part of the Senate, for the consideration of amendments proposed by the Senate to the following House Bills:

H.B. No. 1898, HD 2, SD 1	San Buenaventura, Chair; McKelvey/Rhoads/Moriwaki, Co-Chairs; Fevella
H.B. No. 2498, HD 2, SD 1	Fukunaga, Chair; Lee, C., Co-Chair; Inouye

Sen. Com. No. 742, dated April 23, 2026, informing the House that the President has appointed as conferees on the part of the Senate, for the consideration of amendments proposed by the House to the following Senate Bills:

S.B. No. 2169, SD 1, HD 1	DeCoite, Chair; Gabbard, Co-Chair; Fevella
S.B. No. 2543, SD 2, HD 2	McKelvey, Chair; Wakai/Elefante, Co-Chairs; Awa
S.B. No. 3025, SD 2, HD 3	McKelvey, Chair; Lee, C., Co-Chair; Fevella
S.B. No. 3040, SD 1, HD 1	Fukunaga, Chair; Lee, C., Co-Chair; Hashimoto
S.B. No. 3203, HD 1	McKelvey, Chair; Kanuha, Co-Chair; Fevella
S.B. No. 3253, SD 2, HD 1	Lee, C., Chair; Gabbard/Richards, Co-Chairs

## INTRODUCTIONS

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

Representative Evslin introduced students from Island School: Nathaniel Knickel, Finnegan Scarbo, Levi Hovland, Taylor Agustin, Siena Rogoff, Sophie Cornell, Hana Hoshino, Raiatea Skabo, Anaualeikupuna Vaughan, Vivian Ledesma, Lilikoi Ruck, Kailee Joseph, Kenzie Dunford, Mya Freitas, Mianna Holder, Patrick Wang, Xavier Gordines, Logan Ing, Dylan Lucy, and Naia Lucy; their teachers: Patrick Gegen and Jamie Nause; and parent chaperone, Kathryn Ledesma.

At 12:07 p.m., the Chair declared a recess subject to the call of the Chair.

The House of Representatives reconvened at 12:14 p.m.

Representative Tam introduced his constituent, Gregory Misakian.

## ORDER OF THE DAY

### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Representative Matayoshi, for the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2243-26) recommending that S.C.R. No. 96, SD 1 be adopted.

On motion by Representative Kahaloe, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 96, SD 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION TO PROVIDE A REPORT TO THE LEGISLATURE ON THE PROGRESS OF THE HAWAII ELECTRIC RELIABILITY ADMINISTRATOR," was adopted, with Representative Kapela being excused.

Representative Matayoshi, for the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2244-26) recommending that S.C.R. No. 164, SD 1 be adopted.

On motion by Representative Kahaloe, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 164, SD 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION PRIORITIZING EFFORTS TO PROTECT HAWAII'S CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE FROM FOREIGN INFLUENCE," was adopted, with Representative Kapela being excused.

Representative Matayoshi, for the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2245-26) recommending that S.C.R. No. 172, SD 1, HD 1 be adopted.

Representative Kahaloe moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that S.C.R. No. 172, SD 1, HD 1 be adopted, 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 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."

Representative Muraoka 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 S.C.R. No. 172, SD 1, HD 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION TO CONDUCT A COMPREHENSIVE ANALYSIS ON THE BEST PATHS TO MAXIMIZE COST REDUCTION AND MINIMIZE FINANCIAL RISK TO HAWAII RESIDENTS WHILE MEETING STATE GOALS," was adopted, with Representative Alcos voting aye with reservations, with Representatives Garcia, Muraoka, and Pierick voting no, and with Representative Kapela being excused.

Representative Matayoshi, for the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2246-26) recommending that S.C.R. No. 166, SD 1, as amended in HD 1, be adopted.

On motion by Representative Kahaloa, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 166, SD 1, HD 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION TO MAKE CERTAIN JUDGMENTS, CONSIDERATIONS, AND DECISIONS WHEN MAKING ANY DETERMINATION RELATING TO A GENERATIONAL ENERGY COMMITMENT FOR THE STATE," was adopted, with Representative Kapela being excused.

Representative Takayama, for the Committee on Health, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2247-26) recommending that S.C.R. No. 182 be adopted.

Representative Kahaloa moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that S.C.R. No. 182 be adopted, 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 an aye vote with reservations for him, and the Chair "so ordered."

Representative Iwamoto 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 S.C.R. No. 182, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE GOVERNOR AND THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO ENGAGE WITH THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE AND OTHER FEDERAL AND MILITARY PARTNERS TO EXPLORE ESTABLISHING A MILITARY-CIVILIAN TRAUMA PARTNERSHIP TO STRENGTHEN THE HAWAII TRAUMA SYSTEM," was adopted, with Representatives Garcia, Iwamoto, and Pierick voting aye with reservations, and with Representative Kapela being excused.

Representative Takayama, for the Committee on Health, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2248-26) recommending that S.C.R. No. 7 be adopted.

Representative Kahaloa moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that S.C.R. No. 7 be adopted, 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 Cochran rose and asked that the Clerk record a no vote for her, and the Chair "so ordered."

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

"In opposition. Thank you, Madam Speaker. As I read this resolution, I'm kind of curious because my understanding is this is already the law of the land. And that there is, from testimony I've been aware of, there's no evidence of any refusal or problems with this. So, I believe this is not really a necessary resolution. And in this state, we do have freedom, my body, my choice. And I understand people have difficult decisions, which we can all respect. And if there's a choice, I will always choose life. Thank you, Madam Speaker."

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

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

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

"Thank you, Madam Speaker. In strong support. This measure is absolutely necessary for our state. EMTALA stands for the Emergency Medical Treatment and Active Labor Act, a federal law passed in 1986. It requires hospitals that receive Medicare funding to provide emergency screening and stabilizing treatment to anyone who comes to the emergency room regardless of their ability to pay. For decades, EMTALA has been understood to require abortion care when it is medically necessary to stabilize a pregnant patient experiencing an emergency, such as an ectopic pregnancy or severe complications.

"In recent years, however, with the current administration, federal guidance around EMTALA has shifted. In 2022, the federal government explicitly reaffirmed that emergency abortion care is required under EMTALA, which is particularly important for states that have passed abortion bans, meaning states cannot turn away emergency care and must provide stabilizing treatment which can include abortion.

"However, in the past year, under the current administration, federal guidance was rescinded, not changing the law itself, but creating confusion for hospitals and providers about how the law is enforced. That uncertainty has had real consequences. In California, for example, a patient experiencing a life-threatening miscarriage was denied timely care at a religiously affiliated hospital, leading to legal action by the state attorney general. Here in Hawaii, our own attorney general joined several attorneys general across the country in formally reaffirming that EMTALA remains in full effect. And with the passage of this resolution, it also reaffirms that our health care, hospitals, and providers affirm the same.

"This resolution affirms Hawaii's longstanding practice of complying with EMTALA, supports hospitals and providers who are doing the right thing, and provides clarity that emergency care decisions should be guided by medical judgment and patient safety. *Mahalo* to the Healthcare Association of Hawaii, as well as to all the chairs for working with us on getting this resolution passed. *Mahalo*."

Representative Grandinetti rose in support of the measure and asked that the remarks of the previous speaker be entered into the Journal as her own, and the Chair "so ordered." (By reference only.)

Representative Shimizu rose to respond, stating:

"Second time, still in opposition. I appreciate the words of the previous testifier. And I agree, hospitals should follow the law. Thank you."

Representative Garcia rose in opposition to the measure and asked that the remarks of the representative of Moanalua be entered into the Journal as his own, and the Chair "so ordered." (By reference only.)

Representative Souza rose in support of the measure and asked that the remarks of the vice chair of Education be entered into the Journal as her own, and the Chair "so ordered." (By reference only.)

Representative Hussey rose in support of the measure and asked that the remarks of the vice chair of Education be entered into the Journal as his own, and the Chair "so ordered." (By reference only.)

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 7, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION AFFIRMING AND SUPPORTING THE REQUIREMENT THAT HOSPITALS PROVIDE LIFE-SAVING EMERGENCY CARE TO PREGNANT PEOPLE, INCLUDING REPRODUCTIVE AND ABORTION SERVICES, WHEN SUCH CARE IS MEDICALLY NECESSARY TO STABILIZE A PATIENT UNDER THE EMERGENCY MEDICAL TREATMENT AND ACTIVE LABOR ACT," was adopted, with Representatives Alcos, Cochran, Garcia, Gedeon, Matsumoto, Muraoka, Pierick, and Shimizu voting no, and with Representative Kapela being excused.

Representative Takayama, for the Committee on Health, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2249-26) recommending that S.C.R. No. 59, SD 1 be adopted.

Representative Kahaloa moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that S.C.R. No. 59, SD 1 be adopted, 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 S.C.R. No. 59, SD 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE GOVERNOR TO ESTABLISH PROCEDURES TO AUTHORIZE CERTAIN HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS TO ENGAGE IN THE PRACTICE OF THEIR RESPECTIVE PROFESSIONS IN THE STATE WITHOUT A HAWAII-ISSUED LICENSE DURING A STATE OF EMERGENCY," was adopted, with Representatives Alcos and Garcia voting aye with reservations, and with Representative Kapela being excused.

Representative Tarnas, for the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2250-26) recommending that S.C.R. No. 58, SD 1, HD 1 be referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs [sic].

Representative Kahaloa moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that S.C.R. No. 58, SD 1, HD 1 be adopted, 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 an aye vote with reservations 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."

Representative Cochran 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 Gedeon rose and asked that the Clerk record an aye vote with reservations 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."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 58, SD 1, HD 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE DIVISION OF BOATING AND OCEAN RECREATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO DEVELOP A PROGRESSIVE ENFORCEMENT FRAMEWORK FOR PARKING VIOLATIONS IN PARKING LOTS UNDER ITS JURISDICTION; ENSURE PROPER USE OF PARKING AREAS BY INTENDED USERS; AND IMPROVE THE PREVALENCE AND CLARITY OF SIGNAGE REGARDING PARKING REGULATIONS, FEES, AND PENALTIES," was adopted, with Representatives Amato, Cochran, Gedeon, and Pierick voting aye with reservations, with Representatives Alcos, Garcia, and Matsumoto voting no, and with Representative Kapela being excused.

Representative Tarnas, for the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2251-26) recommending that S.C.R. No. 60, SD 1 be adopted.

Representative Kahaloa moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that S.C.R. No. 60, SD 1 be adopted, 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 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 S.C.R. No. 60, SD 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION TO PROVIDE AN UPDATE ON THE FINDINGS OF THE PROOF OF CONCEPT STUDY TITLED BREAKING CYCLES: ALTERNATIVE MODELS FOR REHABILITATION AND RESTORATIVE JUSTICE ON O'AHU," was adopted, with Representatives Garcia and Pierick voting aye with reservations, and with Representative Kapela being excused.

Representative Tarnas, for the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2252-26) recommending that S.C.R. No. 89, SD 1 be adopted.

Representative Kahaloa moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that S.C.R. No. 89, SD 1 be adopted, 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 S.C.R. No. 89, SD 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE HAWAII CORRECTIONAL SYSTEM OVERSIGHT COMMISSION TO ESTABLISH AN ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO DEVELOP RECOMMENDATIONS ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF ALTERNATIVE MODELS FOR REHABILITATION AND RESTORATIVE JUSTICE ON O'AHU," was adopted, with Representatives Garcia and Pierick voting no, and with Representative Kapela being excused.

Representative Tarnas, for the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2253-26) recommending that S.C.R. No. 184 be adopted.

Representative Kahaloa moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that S.C.R. No. 184 be adopted, 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 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 Shimizu rose to speak in opposition to the measure, stating:

"In opposition. Thank you, Madam Speaker. On the surface, this is a good and reasonable resolution. My opposition to this is definitely a complicated issue, as a non-techie person speaking. I believe that if this is something that we are to pursue, instead of tasking the Hawaii Civil Rights Commission to look into this very complex issue, that we should rely on subject matter experts and consultants instead. Thank you, Madam Speaker."

Representative Cochran rose and asked that the Clerk record a no vote 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 S.C.R. No. 184, entitled: "SENATE

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE HAWAII CIVIL RIGHTS COMMISSION TO EXAMINE THE APPLICABILITY OF EXISTING STATE ANTI-DISCRIMINATION LAWS TO ALGORITHMIC AND AUTOMATED DECISION SYSTEMS," was adopted, with Representatives Alcos, Cochran, Garcia, Muraoka, Pierick, and Shimizu voting no, and with Representative Kapela being excused.

Representative Tarnas, for the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2254-26) recommending that S.C.R. No. 11 be adopted.

Representative Kahaloa moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that S.C.R. No. 11 be adopted, 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 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 opposition to the measure, stating:

"In opposition. Thank you, Madam Speaker. Again, this is, my understanding, is already the law of the land. And I think we should be focusing on issues that concern specifically the State of Hawaii. Thank you, Madam Speaker."

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

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

"Thank you, Madam Speaker. In support. I take great offense to say that this is only focused on people that are outside of the state when we have relatives and family members that are consistently facing discrimination across the country when they apply for employment, housing, and public accommodations. This affects all of us. If we aren't able to stand up for one set of group of individuals, then we're going to let down every single group of individuals. So, for those reasons, I rise in strong support that this is much needed."

Representative Gedeon rose in opposition to the measure and asked that the remarks of the representative from Moanalua be entered into the Journal as his own, and the Chair "so ordered." (By reference only.)

Representative Shimizu rose to respond, stating:

"Thank you, Madam Speaker. Any apologies, no offense intended. Thank you."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 11, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO PASS LEGISLATION TO AMEND THE CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1964 TO PROHIBIT DISCRIMINATION ON THE BASIS OF SEX, SEXUAL ORIENTATION, AND GENDER IDENTITY IN EMPLOYMENT, HOUSING, PUBLIC ACCOMMODATIONS, EDUCATION, FEDERALLY FUNDED PROGRAMS, CREDIT, AND JURY SERVICE," was adopted, with Representatives Alcos, Garcia, Gedeon, Matsumoto, Muraoka, Pierick, and Shimizu voting no, and with Representative Kapela being excused.

#### FINAL READING

At this time, the Chair stated:

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

Representative Kahaloa moved to agree to the amendments made by the Senate to the following House Bills, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried: (Representative Kapela was excused).

H.B. No. 2296, HD 1, (SD 2)

H.B. No. 2315, HD 1, (SD 1)

H.B. No. 2343, HD 1, (SD 1)

#### 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 Final Reading by consent calendar. (Representative Kapela was excused.)

#### FINAL READING

##### H.B. No. 2296, HD 1, SD 2:

Representative Kahaloa moved that H.B. No. 2296, HD 1, SD 2 pass Final Reading, 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."

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

On motion by Representative Quinlan, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 2296, HD 1, SD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SCHOOL MEALS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes, with Representative Alcos, Garcia, and Gedeon voting aye with reservations, and with Representative Kapela being excused.

##### H.B. No. 2315, HD 1, SD 1:

On motion by Representative Quinlan, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 2315, HD 1, SD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO STATE EMPLOYEE BENEFITS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes, with Representative Kapela being excused.

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

On motion by Representative Quinlan, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 2343, HD 1, SD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO VETERANS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes, with Representative Kapela being excused.

At 12:26 p.m., the Chair noted that the following bills passed Final Reading:

H.B. No. 2296, HD 1, SD 2

H.B. No. 2315, HD 1, SD 1

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

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

At this time, the Chair stated:

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

#### ADJOURNMENT

At 12:27 p.m., on motion by Representative Morikawa, seconded by Representative Garcia and carried, the House of Representatives adjourned until noon Monday, April 27, 2026. (Representative Kapela was excused.)

#### HOUSE COMMUNICATIONS

House Communication dated April 24, 2026, from Brian L. Takeshita, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, to the Honorable President and

members of the Senate, informing the Senate that the Speaker has this day appointed as conferees on the part of the House for the consideration of amendments proposed by the Senate to the following House Bills:

- H.B. No. 472, Tarnas/Kitagawa, Co-Chrs.;  
HD 1, SD 2 Lee, Garcia
- H.B. No. 1166, Kila/Takenouchi, Co-Chrs.;  
HD 1, SD 1 Muraoka
- H.B. No. 1334, Chun/Keohokapu-Lee Loy/Tarnas, Co-Chrs.;  
HD 3, SD 2 Miyake, Matsumoto

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- S.B. No. 1166, Matayoshi/Tarnas/Yamashita, Co-Chrs.;  
SD 2, HD 2 Pierick
- S.B. No. 2060, Evslin/Miyake, Co-Chrs.;  
SD 2, HD 1 Pierick
- S.B. No. 2667, Kila/Poepoe, Co-Chrs.;  
SD 1, HD 2 Muraoka
- S.B. No. 2688, Tarnas/Kusch, Co-Chrs.;  
SD 1, HD 1 Poepoe, Shimizu
- S.B. No. 2697, Kila/Poepoe, Co-Chrs.;  
SD 1, HD 2 Muraoka
- S.B. No. 3199, Takayama/Keohokapu-Lee Loy, Co-Chrs.;  
SD 1, HD 1 Alcos
- S.B. No. 3203, Takayama/Keohokapu-Lee Loy, Co-Chrs.;  
HD 1 Alcos
- S.B. No. 3262, Woodson/Tarnas, Co-Chrs.;  
SD 1, HD 1 La Chica, Olds, Muraoka

House Communication dated April 24, 2026, from Brian L. Takeshita, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, to the Honorable President and members of the Senate, informing the Senate that the House has made the following changes to the conferees on the following measures:

- H.B. No. 1519, House Conferees Added:  
HD 1, SD 3 Representative Garcia added as Conferee.
- H.B. No. 2339, House Conferees Discharged:  
HD 1, SD 1 Representative Amato discharged as Conferee.
- S.B. No. 2530, House Conferees Added:  
SD 2, HD 1 Representative Garcia added as Conferee.

House Communication dated April 24, 2026, from Brian L. Takeshita, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, to the Honorable President and members of the Senate, informing the Senate that the House has this day agreed to the amendments made by the Senate and passed the following House Bills on Final Reading:

- H.B. No. 2296, HD 1, SD 2  
H.B. No. 2315, HD 1, SD 1  
H.B. No. 2343, HD 1, SD 1