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## FIFTY-THIRD DAY

Tuesday, April 28, 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 Speaker Nakamura presiding.

The Roll was called showing all members present.

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

## SENATE COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications from the Senate (Sen. Com. Nos. 765 through 783) were received and announced by the Clerk:

Sen. Com. No. 765, transmitting H.C.R. No. 31, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING 2026 AS THE INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF RANGELANDS AND PASTORALISTS IN HAWAII," which was adopted by the Senate on April 27, 2026.

Sen. Com. No. 766, transmitting H.C.R. No. 32, SD 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE GOVERNOR'S SENIOR ADVISOR FOR MENTAL HEALTH AND THE JUSTICE SYSTEM TO FORMULATE A PLAN TO CREATE PLACES OF SHELTER FOR PERSONS UNDER CIVIL COMMITMENT AND FOR PERSONS WHO HAVE BEEN RECENTLY RELEASED FROM THE HAWAII STATE HOSPITAL AND ARE AT RISK OF RECIDIVISM," which was adopted by the Senate on April 27, 2026.

Sen. Com. No. 767, transmitting H.C.R. No. 33, SD 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING HAWAII COUNTY, IN COLLABORATION WITH THE PUAKŌ COMMUNITY, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII AT HILO, AND OTHER STAKEHOLDERS, TO COMPLETE THE PUAKŌ SEWAGE PROJECT," which was adopted by the Senate on April 27, 2026.

Sen. Com. No. 768, transmitting H.C.R. No. 85, HD 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO TRANSFER PARCELS THAT MAKE UP THE EAST KAPOLEI TRANSIT-ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT PROJECT TO THE HAWAII HOUSING FINANCE AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION AND URGING THE HAWAII HOUSING FINANCE AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION TO PARTNER WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF HAWAIIAN HOME LANDS AND HAWAII COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY TO FACILITATE THE DEVELOPMENT OF NON-HOUSING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PORTIONS OF THE PROJECT," which was adopted by the Senate on April 27, 2026.

Sen. Com. No. 769, transmitting H.C.R. No. 137, HD 1, SD 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING AN IMMEDIATE AND PERMANENT CEASEFIRE AND AN END TO HOSTILITIES IN IRAN," which was adopted by the Senate on April 27, 2026.

Sen. Com. No. 770, transmitting H.C.R. No. 144, HD 2, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND BIOSECURITY TO COLLABORATE WITH STATE AND COUNTY AGENCIES AND COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS TO DEVELOP A COMPREHENSIVE STATEWIDE FOOD SECURITY STRATEGY," which was adopted by the Senate on April 27, 2026.

Sen. Com. No. 771, transmitting H.C.R. No. 154, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE COUNTY OF HAWAII TO EXPAND THE HELE-ON SHARED RIDE PROGRAM TO SERVE THE ENTIRE ISLAND OF HAWAII, INCLUDING RURAL AND UNDERSERVED AREAS SUCH AS WEST HAWAII, NORTH KOHALA, SOUTH KOHALA, KA'Ū, AND PUNA," which was adopted by the Senate on April 27, 2026.

Sen. Com. No. 772, transmitting H.C.R. No. 165, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND

RECREATION TO INSTALL PERMANENT PICKLEBALL NETS AND COURT LIGHTING AT THE TENNIS COURTS AT KAMILO'IKI COMMUNITY PARK," which was adopted by the Senate on April 27, 2026.

Sen. Com. No. 773, transmitting H.C.R. No. 166, HD 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO IDENTIFY STATE LANDS IN EAST OAHU SUITABLE FOR THE PLANTING OF NATIVE HAWAIIAN TREES," which was adopted by the Senate on April 27, 2026.

Sen. Com. No. 774, transmitting H.C.R. No. 179, HD 1, SD 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE 'AHA MOKU ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO FOLLOW ITS ADOPTED RULES OF PRACTICE, FULFILL ITS STATUTORY DUTIES, ESTABLISH POLICIES TO ASSURE CONSISTENT STANDARDS OF ADMINISTRATIVE AND MANAGERIAL ACCOUNTABILITY; AND CONVENING A WORKING GROUP TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS," which was adopted by the Senate on April 27, 2026.

Sen. Com. No. 775, transmitting H.C.R. No. 186, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE AND DEFENSE HEALTH AGENCY TO EXTEND THE RENEWAL PERIOD FOR SECRETARIAL DESIGNEE HEALTH CARE AUTHORIZATIONS RELATED TO THE RED HILL WATER CONTAMINATION CRISIS AND TO IMPROVE HEALTH CARE ACCESS FOR AFFECTED INDIVIDUALS," which was adopted by the Senate on April 27, 2026.

Sen. Com. No. 776, transmitting H.C.R. No. 200, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE TO REASSESS PRIOR DETERMINATIONS AND CLOSURE DECISIONS UNDER THE COMPREHENSIVE ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSE, COMPENSATION, AND LIABILITY ACT IN LIGHT OF EVOLVING SCIENTIFIC UNDERSTANDING OF PER- AND POLYFLUOROALKYL SUBSTANCES AND RECENT FEDERAL HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE DESIGNATIONS," which was adopted by the Senate on April 27, 2026.

Sen. Com. No. 777, transmitting H.C.R. No. 206, HD 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE HAWAII STATE ENERGY OFFICE TO CONVENE A WORKING GROUP TO STUDY THE POTENTIAL IMPACTS OF LARGE DATA CENTERS ON HAWAII'S ELECTRIC UTILITIES, RATEPAYERS, NATURAL RESOURCES, AND CLIMATE GOALS," which was adopted by the Senate on April 27, 2026.

Sen. Com. No. 778, dated April 27, 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. 1518, HD 1, SD 1	San Buenaventura, Chair; Rhoads/Kanuha, Co-Chairs
H.B. No. 1550, HD 2, SD 2	San Buenaventura, Chair; Rhoads, Co-Chair; McKelvey
H.B. No. 1692, HD 2, SD 1	Inouye, Chair; Rhoads, Co-Chair; Kanuha
H.B. No. 1785, HD 1, SD 1	Kim, Chair; Hashimoto, Co-Chair; DeCorte
H.B. No. 1801, HD 1, SD 1	San Buenaventura, Chair; Kanuha, Co-Chair; Fevella
H.B. No. 1959, HD 2, SD 1	San Buenaventura, Chair; Rhoads, Co-Chair; McKelvey
H.B. No. 1960, HD 2, SD 1	Rhoads, Chair; Elefante, Co-Chair; Awa

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H.B. No. 2423, DeCoite, Chair;  
HD 3, SD 1 Wakai/Keohokalole/Kanuha, Co-Chairs

H.B. No. 2429, DeCoite, Chair;  
HD 2, SD 2 Wakai, Co-Chair; Fevella

Sen. Com. No. 779, dated April 27, 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. 2108, San Buenaventura, Chair;  
SD 1, HD 2 Rhoads, Co-Chair; Fevella

S.B. No. 2418, Rhoads, Chair;  
SD 1, HD 2 San Buenaventura, Gabbard

S.B. No. 2803, San Buenaventura, Chair;  
SD 1, HD 1 Moriwaki, Co-Chair; McKelvey

S.B. No. 2861, San Buenaventura, Chair;  
SD 2, HD 2 Kanuha, Co-Chair; Fevella

S.B. No. 3204, San Buenaventura, Chair;  
SD 1, HD 1 Kanuha, Co-Chair; McKelvey

S.B. No. 3245, McKelvey, Chair;  
SD 1, HD 1 Kanuha, Co-Chair; Fevella

Sen. Com. No. 780, dated April 27, 2026, informing the House that the Senate has disagreed to the amendments proposed by the House to the following Senate Concurrent Resolutions:

S.C.R. No. 58, SD 1, HD 1  
S.C.R. No. 166, SD 1, HD 1  
S.C.R. No. 172, SD 1, HD 1

Sen. Com. No. 781, dated April 27, 2025, informing the House that the Senate has this day adopted the following Senate Concurrent Resolutions:

S.C.R. No. 195, HD 1  
S.C.R. No. 196, SD 1, HD 1

Sen. Com. No. 782, dated April 27, 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. 306, Lee, C., Chair;  
HD 2, SD 1 Rhoads/Hashimoto, Co-Chairs

H.B. No. 1548, Rhoads, Chair;  
HD 1, SD 1 Chang, San Buenaventura

H.B. No. 1753, Keohokalole, Chair;  
HD 2, SD 2 Rhoads, Co-Chair; Lamosao

H.B. No. 1823, Lee, C., Chair;  
HD 2, SD 2 Rhoads, Co-Chair; Hashimoto

H.B. No. 1870, Fukunaga, Chair;  
HD 2, SD 1 McKelvey/Lee, C./Rhoads, Co-Chairs

H.B. No. 1890, Elefante, Chair;  
HD 3, SD 2 Kim/Kidani, Co-Chairs; Lamosao

Sen. Com. No. 783, dated April 27, 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. 2203, Rhoads, Chair;  
SD 2, HD 1 Chang, Gabbard

S.B. No. 2367, Lee, C., Chair;  
SD 2, HD 2 Moriwaki, Co-Chair; Lamosao

S.B. No. 2438, Rhoads, Chair;  
SD 1, HD 1 Kanuha, Co-Chair; Awa

S.B. No. 2907, DeCoite, Chair;  
SD 1, HD 3 Gabbard/Kanuha, Co-Chairs

S.B. No. 2960, Keohokalole, Chair;  
SD 1, HD 1 McKelvey, Co-Chair; Awa

S.B. No. 2964, Keohokalole, Chair;  
SD 1, HD 1 McKelvey, Co-Chair; Awa

## ORDER OF THE DAY

### REPORTS OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEES

Representatives Sayama and Tarnas, for the Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House in S.B. No. 2466, HD 2, presented a report (Conf. Com. Rep. No. 2-26) recommending that S.B. No. 2466, HD 2, as amended in CD 1, pass Final Reading.

In accordance with Article III, Section 15, of the Constitution of the State of Hawai'i, action on Conf. Com. Rep. No. 2-26 and S.B. No. 2466, HD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE CHIEF ELECTIONS OFFICER," was deferred for a period of 48 hours.

Representatives Kila and Takenouchi, for the Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the House to the amendments proposed by the Senate in H.B. No. 1163, HD 1, SD 2, presented a report (Conf. Com. Rep. No. 3-26) recommending that H.B. No. 1163, HD 1, SD 2, as amended in CD 1, pass Final Reading.

In accordance with Article III, Section 15, of the Constitution of the State of Hawai'i, action on Conf. Com. Rep. No. 3-26 and H.B. No. 1163, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COMMERCIAL DRIVERS LICENSING," was deferred for a period of 48 hours.

Representatives Sayama and Matayoshi, for the Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the House to the amendments proposed by the Senate in H.B. No. 1514, HD 2, SD 1, presented a report (Conf. Com. Rep. No. 4-26) recommending that H.B. No. 1514, HD 2, SD 1, as amended in CD 1, pass Final Reading.

In accordance with Article III, Section 15, of the Constitution of the State of Hawai'i, action on Conf. Com. Rep. No. 4-26 and H.B. No. 1514, HD 2, SD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION," was deferred for a period of 48 hours.

Representatives Belatti, Sayama, and Morikawa, for the Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House in S.B. No. 3082, SD 1, HD 1, presented a report (Conf. Com. Rep. No. 5-26) recommending that S.B. No. 3082, SD 1, HD 1, as amended in CD 1, pass Final Reading.

In accordance with Article III, Section 15, of the Constitution of the State of Hawai'i, action on Conf. Com. Rep. No. 5-26 and S.B. No. 3082, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MILITARY FAMILIES," was deferred for a period of 48 hours.

Representative Tarnas, for the Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House in S.B. No. 2135, SD 2, HD 1, presented a report (Conf. Com. Rep. No. 6-26) recommending that S.B. No. 2135, SD 2, HD 1, as amended in CD 1, pass Final Reading.

In accordance with Article III, Section 15, of the Constitution of the State of Hawai'i, action on Conf. Com. Rep. No. 6-26 and S.B. No. 2135, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PRIVACY," was deferred for a period of 48 hours.

Representative Tarnas, for the Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House in S.B. No. 2727, HD 1, presented a report (Conf. Com. Rep. No. 7-26) recommending that S.B. No. 2727, HD 1, as amended in CD 1, pass Final Reading.

In accordance with Article III, Section 15, of the Constitution of the State of Hawai'i, action on Conf. Com. Rep. No. 7-26 and S.B. No. 2727, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DISCRIMINATION," was deferred for a period of 48 hours.

Representatives Sayama and Lee, for the Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House in S.B. No. 3097, SD 1, HD 1, presented a report (Conf. Com. Rep. No. 8-26) recommending that S.B. No. 3097, SD 1, HD 1, as amended in CD 1, pass Final Reading.

In accordance with Article III, Section 15, of the Constitution of the State of Hawai'i, action on Conf. Com. Rep. No. 8-26 and S.B. No. 3097, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE EXEMPTION FROM CIVIL SERVICE OF EXECUTIVE PERSONNEL OF THE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM," was deferred for a period of 48 hours.

Representatives Kila and Tarnas, for the Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the House to the amendments proposed by the Senate in H.B. No. 1696, HD 2, SD 1, presented a report (Conf. Com. Rep. No. 9-26) recommending that H.B. No. 1696, HD 2, SD 1, as amended in CD 1, pass Final Reading.

In accordance with Article III, Section 15, of the Constitution of the State of Hawai'i, action on Conf. Com. Rep. No. 9-26 and H.B. No. 1696, HD 2, SD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COMMERCIAL DRIVER'S LICENSES," was deferred for a period of 48 hours.

Representatives Kila and Tarnas, for the Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the House to the amendments proposed by the Senate in H.B. No. 2021, HD 2, SD 2, presented a report (Conf. Com. Rep. No. 10-26) recommending that H.B. No. 2021, HD 2, SD 2, as amended in CD 1, pass Final Reading.

In accordance with Article III, Section 15, of the Constitution of the State of Hawai'i, action on Conf. Com. Rep. No. 10-26 and H.B. No. 2021, HD 2, SD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION," was deferred for a period of 48 hours.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Representative Chun: "Thank you, Madam Speaker. He often gets mistaken for the representative from Kaua'i, but we all know at heart, he's a Big Island guy. In the Agriculture Committee, he's the Stitch to my Lilo, let's all wish a very happy birthday to the representative from Hilo."

Representative Matayoshi: "Thank you, Speaker. I just wanted to remind everyone that the blood drive still needs signups. We've got about 33, we need about 55. It's on May 7th, the day before *sine die*. So please sign up if you haven't already. Thank you."

#### COMMITTEE REASSIGNMENTS

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

<u>S.B.</u> <u>No.</u>	<u>Re-referred to:</u>
2471,	Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, then to the SD2, Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, then to the HD2 Committee on Finance

#### ADJOURNMENT

At 12:08 p.m., on motion by Representative Morikawa, seconded by Representative Garcia and carried, the House of Representatives adjourned until 6:30 p.m. tomorrow, Wednesday, April 29, 2026.

#### HOUSE COMMUNICATIONS

House Communication dated April 28, 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 House to the following Senate Bills:

S.B. No. 2876, Matayoshi, Chr.;  
HD 1 Grandinetti, Pierick

S.B. No. 3253, Hashem/Lowen/Morikawa, Co-Chrs.;  
SD 2, HD 1 Shimizu

House Communication dated April 28, 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 House to the following Senate Bills:

S.B. No. 2125, Woodson/Sayama/Lee, Co-Chrs.;  
SD1, HD 2 La Chica, Olds, Muraoka

S.B. No. 2781, Chun/Kusch, Co-Chrs.;  
SD 1, HD 2 Kahaloa, Matsumoto

House Communication dated April 28, 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 Bill:

H.B. No. 549, Garrett/Marten/Lee, Co-Chrs.;  
HD 3, SD 1 Amato, Souza

House Communication dated April 28, 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:

S.B. No. 2050, House Conferees Changed:  
SD 1, HD 2 Representative Matayoshi added as Co-Chair.  
Representative Grandinetti discharged as Co-Chair.

S.B. No. 2471, House Conferees Added:  
SD 2, HD 2 Representative Keohokapu-Lee Loy added as Co-Chair.

#### OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

"HAWAI'I STATE LEGISLATURE  
'Aha 'ōlelo Moku 'āina 'O Hawai'i  
STATE CAPITOL  
415 SOUTH BERETANIA STREET  
HONOLULU, HAWAI'I 96813  
April 28, 2026

#### MEMORANDUM

TO: HOUSE SPEAKER NADINE K. NAKAMURA  
SENATE PRESIDENT RONALD D. KOUCHI

FROM: HOUSE CONFERENCE CHAIR(S): SIGNATURES:  
Rep. Todd /s/ Chris Todd

SENATE CONFERENCE CHAIR(S) SIGNATURES:  
Sen. Dela Cruz /s/ Donovan M. Dela Cruz

RE: REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF CONFERENCE  
DELIBERATIONS

Please be advised that while we have not been able to resolve the differences between the House and Senate on the bill noted below, we believe that continued conference negotiations will result in a timely resolution of differences on the bill. Therefore, we request permission to continue and extend conference deliberations beyond 9:00 p.m. this evening pursuant to Joint House-Senate 2026 Committees on Conference Procedures #2, for the following measure:

BILL NUMBER: SB3125

BILL TITLE: Relating to Income Tax

NOTE: All House and Senate conference committee co-chairs must approve this request by signing above prior to submitting this request.

APPROVED: /s/ Nadine K. Nakamura /s/ Ronald D. Kouchi  
NADINE K. NAKAMURA RONALD D. KOUCHI  
HOUSE SPEAKER SENATE PRESIDENT

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April 28, 2026

MEMORANDUM

TO: HOUSE SPEAKER NADINE K. NAKAMURA  
 SENATE PRESIDENT RONALD D. KOUCHI

FROM: HOUSE CONFERENCE CHAIR(S): SIGNATURES:  
Rep. Jackson Sayama /s/ Jackson D. Sayama  
 SENATE CONFERENCE CHAIR(S) SIGNATURES:  
Sen. Brandon Elefante /s/ Brandon J.C. Elefante

RE: WAIVER OF 24-HOUR CONFERENCE NOTICE  
 REQUIREMENT

Pursuant to Rule 13 of the Joint House-Senate 2026 Committees on Conference Procedures, we, the signatories of this memorandum, request a waiver of the 24-hour conference notice requirement on the following measure:

BILL NUMBER: SB2140 SD1 HD2

BILL TITLE: RELATING TO COUNTY LABOR STANDARDS.

NOTE: All House and Senate conference committee co-chairs must approve this request by signing above prior to submitting this request.

APPROVED: /s/ Nadine K. Nakamura /s/ Ronald D. Kouchi  
 NADINE K. NAKAMURA RONALD D. KOUCHI  
 HOUSE SPEAKER SENATE PRESIDENT

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