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## TWENTY-NINTH DAY

Wednesday, March 18, 2026

The House of Representatives of the Thirty-Third Legislature of the State of Hawai'i, Regular Session of 2026, convened at 12:07 p.m., with Speaker Nakamura presiding.

The Roll was called showing all members present with the exception of Representative Matayoshi.

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

## INTRODUCTIONS

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

REMARKS DELIVERED: Rep. Tarnas  
Rep. Kusch  
Rep. Kitagawa  
Rep. Kapela  
Rep. Gedeon  
Rep. La Chica  
Rep. Reyes Oda  
Rep. Grandinetti  
Rep. Todd  
Rep. Kong  
Rep. Ilagan

## ORDER OF THE DAY

INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTIONS  
(FLOOR PRESENTATIONS)

The following resolution (H.R. No. 202) was announced by the Clerk and the following action taken:

H.R. No. 202, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION CONGRATULATING THE 2025 LIBRARIAN OF THE YEAR, 2025 MIDDLE SCHOOL PRINCIPAL OF THE YEAR, 2026 SCHOOL COUNSELOR OF THE YEAR NATIONAL FINALIST, 2026 LEILEHUA-MILILANI-WAIALUA COMPLEX AREA TEACHER OF THE YEAR, AND 2026 'AIEA-MOANALUA-RADFORD COMPLEX AREA TEACHER OF THE YEAR," was offered by Representative Woodson.

Representative Hashem moved that H.R. No. 202 be adopted, seconded by Representative Woodson.

Representative Hashem recognized Mr. Brown for his 12 years of service to the Hawai'i State Library System; acknowledged his leadership in outreach and promotion of library services, including expansion of the LBPD Book Club; commended his commitment to ensuring equitable public access and addressing the needs of the blind and visually impaired community; honored his dedication to patrons and the broader community; and congratulated and introduced honoree who was seated on the Floor of the House:

Matthew Brown, managing librarian, Hawai'i State Library System, 2025 Librarian of the Year.

Representative Woodson recognized Ms. McCandless for her 25 years of experience as an administrator at Maui Waena Intermediate School; acknowledged her belief in shared leadership and empowering students and staff as stakeholders in collaborative decision-making; commended her efforts in fostering a strong and engaged school community; honored her dedication, including her consistent presence beyond school hours in service to students; and congratulated and introduced honoree who was seated on the Floor of the House:

Jacquelyn McCandless, principal, Maui Waena Intermediate School, 2025 Hawai'i Principal of the Year.

Representative Woodson recognized Ms. Anitema for her role as a school counselor at Maui High School in Kahului; acknowledged her leadership in building strong schoolwide and community partnerships and connecting

students with resources and mentors; commended her collaboration with colleagues and tailored support based on classroom needs; honored her advocacy for students and dedication to shaping their futures; and congratulated and introduced honoree who was seated on the Floor of the House:

Leka Anitema, school counselor, Maui High School, 2025 Hawai'i School Counselor of the Year.

Representative Matsumoto recognized Mr. Justo for his 26 years of service at Mililani Middle School and his impact as an educator on generations of students, including fellow legislators and their families; acknowledged his leadership, passion for lifelong learning, and ability to inspire and motivate students both in and beyond the classroom; commended his mentorship and dedication to student growth, including personal efforts to support and encourage students outside instructional time; honored his innovative contributions to education, including the development of programs such as the agricultural technology curriculum and community-based learning experiences; and congratulated and introduced honoree who was seated on the Floor of the House:

Christopher Justo, agriculture teacher, Mililani Middle School, 2025 Leilehua-Mililani-Waialua Complex Area Teacher of the Year.

Representative Kong recognized Ms. Mendoza for her role as a culinary arts teacher at 'Aiea High School; acknowledged her emphasis on developing students' critical thinking, communication, and collaboration skills through real-world applications; commended her focus on community engagement, including student-led projects supporting initiatives such as blood drives; honored her efforts to provide mentorship and industry networking opportunities for students beyond the classroom; and congratulated and introduced honoree who was seated on the Floor of the House:

Emily Mendoza, culinary arts teacher, 'Aiea High School, 2025 'Aiea-Moanalua-Radford Complex Area Teacher of the Year.

Representative Hashem also welcomed and acknowledged guests of the honorees who were seated in the gallery: Garrick Mendoza, Savannah Mendoza, Joseph Mendoza, Dante Diaz, Stacey Aldrich, Mallory Fujitani, Cindy McMillan, Sarah Nanbu, Sarah Justo, Maya Justo, Mari Justo, and Masato Justo.

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and H.R. No. 202 was adopted.

At 12:31 p.m., the Chair declared a recess to allow the members to meet and congratulate the honorees.

The House of Representatives reconvened at 12:39 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.

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Representative Todd, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1209-26) recommending that H.B. No. 2095, HD 1, as amended in HD 2, pass Third Reading.

Representative Kahaloa moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 2095, HD 2 pass Third Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

REMARKS DELIVERED: Rep. Tarnas

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2095, HD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE JUDICIARY," passed Third Reading by a vote of 50 ayes.

At 12:41 p.m., the Chair noted that the following bill passed Third Reading:

H.B. No. 2095, HD 2

#### REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Representative Garrett, for the Committee on Higher Education, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1210-26) recommending that S.B. No. 2657, SD 1, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Representative Kahaloo moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that S.B. No. 2657, SD 1, HD 1 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

REMARKS DELIVERED: Rep. Pierick

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2657, SD 1, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ALZHEIMER'S DISEASE AND RELATED DEMENTIAS RESEARCH," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representative Pierick voting no.

Representative Belatti, for the Committee on Public Safety, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1211-26) recommending that S.B. No. 2138, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Higher Education.

On motion by Representative Kahaloo, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2138, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII NATIONAL GUARD STATE TUITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Higher Education.

Representative Belatti, for the Committee on Public Safety, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1212-26) recommending that S.B. No. 3110, SD 1, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Labor.

On motion by Representative Kahaloo, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 3110, SD 1, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII NATIONAL GUARD," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Labor.

Representative Belatti, for the Committee on Public Safety, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1213-26) recommending that S.B. No. 3082, SD 1, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Labor.

On motion by Representative Kahaloo, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 3082, SD 1, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MILITARY FAMILIES," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Labor.

Representative Belatti, for the Committee on Public Safety, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1214-26) recommending that S.B. No. 3109, SD 1, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Labor.

On motion by Representative Kahaloo, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 3109, SD 1, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Labor.

#### THIRD READING

H.B. No. 1800, HD 1:

Representative Kahaloo moved that H.B. No. 1800, HD 1 pass Third Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

REMARKS DELIVERED: Rep. Todd  
Rep. Kitagawa  
Rep. Matsumoto  
Rep. Alcos  
Rep. Gedeon  
Rep. Reyes Oda  
Rep. Garcia  
Rep. Souza  
Rep. Cochran  
Rep. Iwamoto  
Rep. Shimizu  
Rep. Pierick  
Rep. Yamashita

TO BE INSERTED: Rep. Matsumoto  
Rep. Alcos  
Rep. Gedeon  
Rep. Yamashita

(Submit by Monday, March 23)

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and H.B. No. 1800, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET," passed Third Reading by a vote of 47 ayes to 3 noes, with Representatives Alcos, Cochran, Gedeon, Iwamoto, Matsumoto, Reyes Oda, Shimizu, and Souza voting aye with reservations, and with Representatives Garcia, Muraoka, and Pierick voting no.

At 1:03 p.m., the Chair noted that the following bill passed Third Reading:

H.B. No. 1800, HD 1

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

The following measures were referred to committee by the Speaker:

<u>H.R.</u> <u>Nos.</u>	<u>Referred to:</u>
25	Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection, then to the Committee on Public Safety
26	Committee on Education, then to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs
27	Committee on Economic Development & Technology
28	Committee on Public Safety, then to the Committee on Economic Development & Technology
29	Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce
30	Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Finance
31	Committee on Agriculture & Food Systems
32	Committee on Human Services & Homelessness, then to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs
33	Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection, then to the Committee on Economic Development & Technology
34	Committee on Labor, then to the Committee on Finance
35	Committee on Labor, then to the Committee on Finance
36	Committee on Housing, then to the Committee on Finance
37	Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Finance
38	Committee on Education
39	Committee on Transportation, then to the Committee on Water & Land
40	Committee on Education

41	Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs	75	Committee on Housing, then to the Committee on Finance
42	Committee on Labor, then to the Committee on Public Safety	76	Committee on Education
43	Committee on Education, then to the Committee on Finance	77	Committee on Housing, then to the Committee on Water & Land
44	Committee on Tourism, then to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs	78	Committee on Housing, then to the Committee on Water & Land
45	Committee on Tourism, then to the Committee on Finance	79	Committee on Housing, then to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs
46	Committee on Tourism, then to the Committee on Finance	80	Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, then to the Committee on Finance
47	Committee on Tourism, then to the Committee on Finance	81	Committee on Economic Development & Technology, then to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs
48	Committee on Transportation, then to the Committee on Water & Land	82	Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs
49	Committee on Higher Education	83	Committee on Water & Land, then to the Committee on Education
50	Committee on Higher Education, then to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs	84	Committee on Labor, then to the Committee on Finance
51	Committee on Transportation, then to the Committee on Economic Development & Technology	85	Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, then to the Committee on Finance
52	Committee on Education, then to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs	86	Committee on Education, then to the Committee on Agriculture & Food Systems
53	Committee on Culture & Arts	87	Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Finance
54	Committee on Transportation, then to the Committee on Water & Land	88	Committee on Transportation, then to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs
55	Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce	89	Committee on Higher Education, then to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs
56	Committee on Transportation, then to the Committee on Finance	90	Committee on Housing, then to the Committee on Water & Land
57	Committee on Transportation, then to the Committee on Water & Land	91	Committee on Education
58	Committee on Transportation	92	Committee on Labor, then to the Committee on Finance
59	Committee on Human Services & Homelessness, then to the Committee on Finance	93	Committee on Culture & Arts
60	Committee on Economic Development & Technology, then to the Committee on Finance	94	Committee on Education, then to the Committee on Human Services & Homelessness
61	Jointly to the Committee on Human Services & Homelessness and the Committee on Health	95	Committee on Water & Land
62	Committee on Water & Land, then to the Committee on Transportation	96	Committee on Transportation, then to the Committee on Water & Land
63	Committee on Transportation	97	Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Finance
64	Committee on Transportation, then to the Committee on Water & Land	98	Committee on Culture & Arts, then to the Committee on Water & Land
65	Committee on Economic Development & Technology, then to the Committee on Finance	99	Committee on Education
66	Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, then to the Committee on Finance	100	Committee on Education, then to the Committee on Agriculture & Food Systems
67	Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, then to the Committee on Finance	101	Committee on Higher Education, then to the Committee on Finance
68	Committee on Education, then to the Committee on Finance	102	Committee on Higher Education, then to the Committee on Finance
69	Jointly to the Committee on Education and the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, then to the Committee on Finance	103	Committee on Higher Education, then to the Committee on Finance
70	Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Finance	104	Committee on Labor
71	Jointly to the Committee on Higher Education and the Committee on Education	105	Committee on Human Services & Homelessness, then to the Committee on Finance
72	Jointly to the Committee on Water & Land and the Committee on Public Safety	106	Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, then to the Committee on Finance
73	Committee on Human Services & Homelessness, then to the Committee on Water & Land	107	Committee on Water & Land, then to the Committee on Finance
74	Committee on Housing, then to the Committee on Water & Land	108	Committee on Human Services & Homelessness, then to the Committee on Economic Development & Technology
		109	Committee on Public Safety, then to the Committee on Finance
		110	Committee on Education, then to the Committee on Finance
		111	Committee on Transportation, then to the Committee on Finance

112	Committee on Transportation, then to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce	142	Committee on Public Safety, then to the Committee on Finance
113	Committee on Economic Development & Technology, then to the Committee on Water & Land	143	Committee on Labor, then to the Committee on Economic Development & Technology
114	Committee on Higher Education, then to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs	144	Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection, then to the Committee on Finance
115	Committee on Human Services & Homelessness, then to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs	145	Committee on Economic Development & Technology, then to the Committee on Finance
116	Committee on Housing, then to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs	146	Committee on Transportation
117	Committee on Transportation, then to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce	147	Committee on Water & Land, then to the Committee on Finance
118	Committee on Transportation, then to the Committee on Housing	148	Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection, then to the Committee on Finance
119	Committee on Transportation, then to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs	149	Committee on Transportation, then to the Committee on Finance
120	Committee on Transportation, then to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs	150	Committee on Economic Development & Technology, then to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs
121	Jointly to the Committee on Water & Land and the Committee on Public Safety, then to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs	151	Committee on Education
122	Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, then to the Committee on Finance	152	Committee on Culture & Arts, then to the Committee on Finance
123	Jointly to the Committee on Human Services & Homelessness and the Committee on Labor, then to the Committee on Finance	153	Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce
124	Committee on Water & Land, then to the Committee on Economic Development & Technology	154	Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, then to the Committee on Finance
125	Committee on Human Services & Homelessness, then to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs	155	Committee on Water & Land, then to the Committee on Economic Development & Technology
126	Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce	156	Committee on Water & Land, then to the Committee on Finance
127	Jointly to the Committee on Water & Land and the Committee on Economic Development & Technology, then to the Committee on Finance	157	Committee on Human Services & Homelessness, then to the Committee on Finance
128	Committee on Water & Land	158	Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, then to the Committee on Finance
129	Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce	159	Committee on Human Services & Homelessness, then to the Committee on Economic Development & Technology
130	Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, then to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce	160	Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs
131	Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Finance	161	Committee on Public Safety, then to the Committee on Finance
132	Committee on Public Safety, then to the Committee on Water & Land	162	Jointly to the Committee on Legislative Management and the Committee on Human Services & Homelessness
133	Committee on Public Safety, then to the Committee on Water & Land	163	Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Finance
134	Committee on Education, then to the Committee on Finance	164	Committee on Water & Land, then to the Committee on Finance
135	Committee on Education, then to the Committee on Finance	165	Committee on Economic Development & Technology
136	Committee on Agriculture & Food Systems, then to the Committee on Economic Development & Technology	166	Committee on Education, then to the Committee on Finance
137	Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, then to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs	167	Committee on Water & Land
138	Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs	168	Committee on Water & Land, then to the Committee on Finance
139	Committee on Labor, then to the Committee on Finance	169	Committee on Water & Land, then to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs
140	Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, then to the Committee on Finance	170	Committee on Agriculture & Food Systems, then to the Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection
141	Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection, then jointly to the Committee on Public Safety and the Committee on Water & Land	171	Committee on Education, then to the Committee on Finance
		172	Committee on Housing, then to the Committee on Finance
		173	Committee on Economic Development & Technology, then to the Committee on Education
		174	Committee on Human Services & Homelessness, then to the Committee on Finance
		175	Committee on Water & Land, then to the Committee on Economic Development & Technology
		176	Committee on Public Safety, then to the Committee on Health



68	Committee on Water & Land, then to the Committee on Transportation	103	Committee on Water & Land
69	Committee on Transportation	104	Committee on Transportation, then to the Committee on Water & Land
70	Committee on Transportation, then to the Committee on Water & Land	105	Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Finance
71	Committee on Economic Development & Technology, then to the Committee on Finance	106	Committee on Culture & Arts, then to the Committee on Water & Land
72	Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, then to the Committee on Finance	107	Committee on Education
73	Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, then to the Committee on Finance	108	Committee on Education, then to the Committee on Agriculture & Food Systems
74	Committee on Education, then to the Committee on Finance	109	Committee on Higher Education, then to the Committee on Finance
75	Jointly to the Committee on Education and the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, then to the Committee on Finance	110	Committee on Higher Education, then to the Committee on Finance
76	Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Finance	111	Committee on Higher Education, then to the Committee on Finance
77	Jointly to the Committee on Higher Education and the Committee on Education	112	Committee on Labor
78	Jointly to the Committee on Water & Land and the Committee on Public Safety	113	Committee on Human Services & Homelessness, then to the Committee on Finance
79	Committee on Human Services & Homelessness, then to the Committee on Water & Land	114	Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, then to the Committee on Finance
80	Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, then to the Committee on Finance	115	Committee on Water & Land, then to the Committee on Finance
81	Committee on Labor, then to the Committee on Finance	116	Committee on Human Services & Homelessness, then to the Committee on Economic Development & Technology
82	Committee on Housing, then to the Committee on Water & Land	117	Committee on Public Safety, then to the Committee on Finance
83	Committee on Housing, then to the Committee on Finance	118	Committee on Education, then to the Committee on Finance
84	Committee on Education	119	Committee on Transportation, then to the Committee on Finance
85	Committee on Housing, then to the Committee on Water & Land	120	Committee on Transportation, then to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce
86	Committee on Housing, then to the Committee on Water & Land	121	Committee on Economic Development & Technology, then to the Committee on Water & Land
87	Committee on Housing, then to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs	122	Committee on Higher Education, then to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs
88	Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, then to the Committee on Finance	123	Committee on Human Services & Homelessness, then to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs
89	Committee on Economic Development & Technology, then to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs	124	Committee on Housing, then to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs
90	Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs	125	Committee on Transportation, then to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce
91	Committee on Water & Land, then to the Committee on Education	126	Committee on Transportation, then to the Committee on Housing
92	Committee on Labor, then to the Committee on Finance	127	Committee on Transportation, then to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs
93	Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, then to the Committee on Finance	128	Committee on Transportation, then to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs
94	Committee on Education, then to the Committee on Agriculture & Food Systems	129	Jointly to the Committee on Water & Land and the Committee on Public Safety, then to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs
95	Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Finance	130	Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, then to the Committee on Finance
96	Committee on Transportation, then to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs	131	Jointly to the Committee on Human Services & Homelessness and the Committee on Labor, then to the Committee on Finance
97	Committee on Higher Education, then to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs	132	Committee on Water & Land, then to the Committee on Economic Development & Technology
98	Committee on Housing, then to the Committee on Water & Land	133	Committee on Human Services & Homelessness, then to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs
99	Committee on Education	134	Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce
100	Committee on Labor, then to the Committee on Finance		
101	Committee on Culture & Arts		
102	Committee on Education, then to the Committee on Human Services & Homelessness		

135	Jointly to the Committee on Water & Land and the Committee on Economic Development & Technology, then to the Committee on Finance	168	Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, then to the Committee on Finance
136	Committee on Water & Land	169	Committee on Human Services & Homelessness, then to the Committee on Economic Development & Technology
137	Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce	170	Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs
138	Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, then to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce	171	Committee on Public Safety, then to the Committee on Finance
139	Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Finance	172	Committee on Labor, then to the Committee on Finance
140	Committee on Public Safety, then to the Committee on Water & Land	173	Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Finance
141	Committee on Public Safety, then to the Committee on Water & Land	174	Committee on Water & Land, then to the Committee on Finance
142	Committee on Education, then to the Committee on Finance	175	Committee on Economic Development & Technology
143	Committee on Education, then to the Committee on Finance	176	Committee on Education, then to the Committee on Finance
144	Committee on Agriculture & Food Systems, then to the Committee on Economic Development & Technology	177	Committee on Water & Land
145	Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, then to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs	178	Committee on Water & Land, then to the Committee on Finance
146	Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs	179	Committee on Water & Land, then to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs
147	Committee on Labor, then to the Committee on Finance	180	Committee on Agriculture & Food Systems, then to the Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection
148	Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, then to the Committee on Finance	181	Committee on Education, then to the Committee on Finance
149	Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection, then jointly to the Committee on Public Safety and the Committee on Water & Land	182	Committee on Housing, then to the Committee on Finance
150	Committee on Public Safety, then to the Committee on Finance	183	Committee on Economic Development & Technology, then to the Committee on Education
151	Committee on Labor, then to the Committee on Economic Development & Technology	184	Committee on Human Services & Homelessness, then to the Committee on Finance
152	Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection, then to the Committee on Finance	185	Committee on Water & Land, then to the Committee on Economic Development & Technology
153	Committee on Economic Development & Technology, then to the Committee on Finance	186	Committee on Public Safety, then to the Committee on Health
154	Committee on Transportation	187	Committee on Education
155	Committee on Water & Land, then to the Committee on Finance	188	Committee on Tourism, then to the Committee on Water & Land
156	Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Finance	189	Committee on Economic Development & Technology, then to the Committee on Finance
157	Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection, then to the Committee on Finance	190	Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce
158	Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Finance	191	Committee on Economic Development & Technology, then to the Committee on Finance
159	Committee on Transportation, then to the Committee on Finance	192	Committee on Economic Development & Technology, then to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs
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165	Committee on Water & Land, then to the Committee on Economic Development & Technology	198	Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs
166	Committee on Water & Land, then to the Committee on Finance	199	Jointly to the Committee on Water & Land and the Committee on Public Safety, then to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs
167	Committee on Human Services & Homelessness, then to the Committee on Finance	200	Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection, then jointly to the Committee on Public Safety and the Committee on Water & Land
		201	Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection, then to the Committee on Transportation

- 202 Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection, then to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce
- 203 Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection, then to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce
- 204 Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection, then to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce
- 205 Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection, then to the Committee on Finance
- 206 Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection, then to the Committee on Finance
- 207 Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection, then to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce
- 208 Committee on Water & Land
- 209 Jointly to the Committee on Transportation and the Committee on Energy & Environmental Protection, then to the Committee on Finance

**S.B.****Nos. Referred to:**

- 2397, SD1 Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs
- 2830, SD2 Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs
- 3040, SD1 Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, then to the Committee on Finance

**COMMITTEE REASSIGNMENTS**

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

**S.B.****No. Re-referred to:**

- 2438, SD1 Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, then to the Committee on Finance
- 2657, SD1, HD1 Committee on Higher Education, then to the Committee on Finance

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 1:04 p.m., on motion by Representative Morikawa, seconded by Representative Garcia and carried, the House of Representatives adjourned until noon tomorrow, Thursday, March 19, 2026.

**OTHER COMMUNICATIONS**

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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Speaker of the House of Representatives Nadine Nakamura

**FROM:** Representative Elle Cochran **EC**

**SUBJECT:** Resignation from Democratic Party

I have decided to resign as a democrat. I already have notified the Democratic Party. I officially will be joining the minority Republican Party as of this afternoon, March 16, 2026.

Please contact my office if you have any questions. Mahalo.

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