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FORTY-SIXTH DAY

Friday, April 17, 2026

The House of Representatives of the Thirty-Third Legislature of the State of Hawai'i, Regular Session of 2026, convened at 12:03 p.m., with Vice Speaker Ichiyama presiding.

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

By unanimous consent, reading and approval of the Journal of the House of Representatives of the Forty-Fourth and Forty-Fifth Day was deferred.

SENATE COMMUNICATIONS

The following communication from the Senate (Sen. Com. No. 710) was received and announced by the Clerk:

Sen. Com. No. 710, dated April 16, 2026, informing the House that the Senate has disagreed to the amendments proposed by the House to the following Senate Bills:

S.B. No. 17, SD 2, HD 1
 S.B. No. 83, SD 2, HD 3
 S.B. No. 99, SD 1, HD 1
 S.B. No. 148, SD 2, HD 3
 S.B. No. 411, SD 2, HD 1
 S.B. No. 709, SD 2, HD 2
 S.B. No. 847, SD 2, HD 2
 S.B. No. 874, SD 2, HD 2
 S.B. No. 888, SD 2, HD 2
 S.B. No. 1032, SD 2, HD 2
 S.B. No. 1166, SD 2, HD 2
 S.B. No. 2001, SD 1, HD 2
 S.B. No. 2014, SD 1, HD 1
 S.B. No. 2031, SD 2, HD 1
 S.B. No. 2041, SD 1, HD 2
 S.B. No. 2050, SD 1, HD 2
 S.B. No. 2057, SD 2, HD 2
 S.B. No. 2061, SD 2, HD 2
 S.B. No. 2074, SD 1, HD 3
 S.B. No. 2075, SD 1, HD 2
 S.B. No. 2089, SD 1, HD 2
 S.B. No. 2095, SD 1, HD 1
 S.B. No. 2101, SD 1, HD 1
 S.B. No. 2102, SD 2, HD 2
 S.B. No. 2108, SD 1, HD 2
 S.B. No. 2109, SD 2, HD 1
 S.B. No. 2110, SD 1, HD 1
 S.B. No. 2125, SD 1, HD 2
 S.B. No. 2135, SD 2, HD 1
 S.B. No. 2138, HD 1
 S.B. No. 2140, SD 1, HD 2
 S.B. No. 2146, SD 1, HD 2
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 S.B. No. 2152, SD 2, HD 1
 S.B. No. 2175, SD 2, HD 2
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 S.B. No. 3302, SD 1, HD 2
 S.B. No. 3320, SD 1, HD 1
 S.B. No. 3322, SD 2, HD 2
 S.B. No. 3324, SD 1, HD 1
 S.B. No. 3332, SD 1, HD 1

INTRODUCTIONS

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

REMARKS DELIVERED: Rep. Lowen
 Rep. Kahaloa
 Rep. Matayoshi
 Rep. Kapela
 Rep. Gedeon
 Rep. Olds
 Rep. Kusch
 Rep. La Chica
 Rep. Garrett

ORDER OF THE DAY

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Representative Evslin, for the Committee on Housing, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2169-26) recommending that S.C.R. No. 48 be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion by Representative Kahaloa, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 48, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION DECLARING THE INTENT THAT AFFORDABLE HOUSING CREDITS ARE PERPETUAL AND REMAIN VALID UNTIL REDEEMED, AND REQUESTING THE COUNTIES TO RECOGNIZE THESE CREDITS WITHOUT EXPIRATION DATES," was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representative Amato being excused.

Representative Belatti, for the Committee on Public Safety, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2170-26) recommending that S.C.R. No. 28, SD 1 be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion by Representative Kahaloa, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 28, SD 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE TO CONVENE A WORKING GROUP TO DEVELOP RECOMMENDATIONS FOR A STATE OF HAWAII COMMEMORATIVE VIETNAM VETERANS MEDAL," was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representative Amato being excused.

Representative Belatti, for the Committee on Public Safety, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2171-26) recommending that S.C.R. No. 74 be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion by Representative Kahaloa, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 74, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE AUDITOR TO CONDUCT AN AUDIT OF NO-BID CONTRACTS ISSUED BY STATE AND COUNTY AGENCIES UNDER PROCLAMATIONS DECLARING STATES OF EMERGENCY DURING THE SIX-YEAR PERIOD BETWEEN JANUARY 1, 2020, AND DECEMBER 31, 2025," was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representative Amato being excused.

Representative Belatti, for the Committee on Public Safety, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2172-26) recommending that S.C.R. No. 62, SD 1 be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion by Representative Kahaloa, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 62, SD 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE 911 BOARD TO ESTABLISH OR UTILIZE AN APPROPRIATE WORKING GROUP TO ENGAGE WITH THE DISABILITY COMMUNITY TO ADDRESS CONTINUING ACCESS ISSUES IN THE STATE'S EMERGENCY AND 911 RESPONSE SYSTEMS," was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representative Amato being excused.

Representative Belatti, for the Committee on Public Safety, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2173-26) recommending that S.C.R. No. 60, SD 1 be referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs.

On motion by Representative Kahaloa, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, 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 OF REHABILITATION AND RESTORATIVE JUSTICE ON O'AHU," was referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, with Representative Amato being excused.

Representative Belatti, for the Committee on Public Safety, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2174-26) recommending that S.C.R. No. 89, SD 1 be referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs.

Representative Kahaloa moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that S.C.R. No. 89, SD 1 be referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

REMARKS DELIVERED: Rep. Garcia

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 referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, with Representative Garcia voting aye with reservations, and with Representative Amato being excused.

Representative Belatti, for the Committee on Public Safety, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2175-26) recommending that S.C.R. No. 147 be referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs.

Representative Kahaloa moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that S.C.R. No. 147 be referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

REMARKS DELIVERED: Rep. Garcia

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 147, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO PROVIDE SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDING TO INCREASE COMPENSATION FOR ADULT CORRECTIONS OFFICERS EMPLOYED BY THE STATE OF HAWAII'S DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION," was referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, with Representative Garcia voting aye with reservations, and with Representative Amato being excused.

Representative Belatti, for the Committee on Public Safety, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2176-26) recommending that S.C.R. No. 179 be referred to the Committee on Water & Land.

On motion by Representative Kahaloa, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 179, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE COUNTY OF MAUI TO ENFORCE THE PROVISIONS OF THE FIRE CODE OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI RELATING TO FIRE HAZARDS, BRUSH CLEARANCE, FUEL BREAKS, ROADSIDE VEGETATION CLEARING, AND EMERGENCY ACCESS," was referred to the Committee on Water & Land, with Representative Amato being excused.

Representative Belatti, for the Committee on Public Safety, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2177-26) recommending that S.C.R. No. 182 be referred to the Committee on Health.

Representative Kahaloa moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that S.C.R. No. 182 be referred to the Committee on Health, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

REMARKS DELIVERED: Rep. Garcia

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 referred to the Committee on Health, with Representative Garcia voting aye with reservations, and with Representative Amato being excused.

Representative Belatti, for the Committee on Public Safety, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2178-26) recommending that S.C.R. No. 59, SD 1 be referred to the Committee on Health.

On motion by Representative Kahaloa, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, 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 referred to the Committee on Health, with Representative Amato being excused.

Representative Belatti, for the Committee on Public Safety, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2179-26) recommending that S.C.R. No. 54 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. 54, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE STATE FIRE MARSHAL TO APPOINT A HYDROGEN FIRE SAFETY EXPERT AND PROVIDE TRAINING ON HYDROGEN-RELATED SAFETY PROTOCOLS," was adopted, with Representative Amato being excused.

Representatives Belatti and Hashem, for the Committee on Public Safety and the Committee on Water & Land, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2180-26) recommending that S.C.R. No. 180 be adopted.

On motion by Representative Kahaloa, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committees was adopted and S.C.R. No. 180, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING STATE AGENCIES THAT OWN OR CONTROL LAND IN WEST MAUI TO IMPLEMENT AND ENFORCE AGGRESSIVE VEGETATION MANAGEMENT, FUEL REDUCTION, DEFENSIBLE SPACE, AND EMERGENCY ACCESS MEASURES TO REDUCE WILDFIRE RISK TO LAHAINA AND SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES," was adopted, with Representative Amato being excused.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

REMARKS DELIVERED: Rep. Kapela
Rep. Matayoshi
Vice Speaker Ichiyama

COMMITTEE REASSIGNMENTS

The following measures were re-referred to committee by the Speaker:

<u>S.C.R. Nos.</u>	<u>Re-referred to:</u>
21, SD1	Committee on Health
50, SD1	Committee on Health
56	Committee on Labor
75, SD1	Committee on Health
109, SD1	Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce
149, SD1	Committee on Health

ADJOURNMENT

At 12:18 p.m., on motion by Representative Morikawa, seconded by Representative Garcia and carried, the House of Representatives adjourned until noon Monday, April 20, 2026. (Representative Amato was excused.)