

THIRTY-NINTH DAY

Wednesday, March 25, 1987

The Senate of the Fourteenth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 1987, convened at 11:40 o'clock a.m., with the President in the Chair.

The Divine Blessing was invoked by the Reverend Dean Okimura of the Koboji Temple, after which the Roll was called showing all Senators present with the exception of Senators Aki, Matsuura and Mizuguchi who were excused.

The President announced that he had read and approved the Journal of the Thirty-Eighth Day.

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

Senator Solomon, on behalf of the Higher Education Committee, introduced Dr. Yoshitsugi Hokama and Dr. Arwind R. Diwan, outstanding faculty members from the John A. Burns School of Medicine, University of Hawaii, as follows:

"Mr. President, it gives me great pleasure to recognize, first, Dr. Yoshitsugi Hokama. (Dr. Hokama stood to be recognized.)

"Dr. Hokama was born in Kohala, Hawaii, educated at Pahala High School, the University of Hawaii, and the University of California, Los Angeles.

"He has been a Professor of Pathology at the John A. Burns School of Medicine for more than 20 years where he has been an extremely effective educator. He is internationally recognized as an authority in the field of immunomodulators and ciguatoxin; author of more than 200 scientific articles, abstracts, and chapters in books; and has generated more than a million dollars in research grants.

"Dr. Hokama recently developed a rapid test for ciguatera fish poisoning which will have a major beneficial impact on public health and the fish industry of Hawaii."

Senator Solomon continued:

"Mr. President, the second professor that I would like to present is Dr. Arwind R. Diwan. (Dr. Diwan stood to be recognized.)

"Dr. Diwan, Associate Professor of Tropical Medicine at the School of Medicine, was born in India, is now a citizen of the U.S., and a resident of Hawaii since 1968.

"Dr. Diwan is an effective instructor and researcher in virology, immunology, and

epidemiology. His research resulted in the testing of premariage and pregnant women for rubella (German measles) antibodies by the state Department of Health. His serological survey for polio, measles, mumps, and rubella antibodies among Hawaii's school children led to a state law requiring children entering public schools in Hawaii to have a valid immunization history.

"Dr. Diwan's studies have helped in the prevention and control of hepatitis B in Hawaii and he is currently actively involved in epidemiological studies of AIDS in Hawaii.

"Dr. Diwan has also served in numerous community service organizations relating to public health."

The honorees were presented the Senate Certificate of recognition by Senator Solomon and Senators A. Kobayashi and Young presented them with leis.

Senator Solomon then introduced Mr. Paul Sheriff as follows:

"Mr. President, Mr. Paul Sheriff was selected by the Hawaii Jaycees as one of the state's 10 most brightest and interesting individuals destined to be named Hawaii's Outstanding Young Person of 1987.

"Paul is a graduate of the University of Oregon majoring in anthropology/oceanography, was an inter-collegiate wrestler for three years, and an Eagle Scout of the Order of the Arrow.

"Due to an unfortunate automobile accident during his senior year in college, he was paralyzed from his waist down. In spite of these adversities, he started his own business called 'Rolling Thunder,' manufacturing of clothing for the physically disabled.

"Paul Sheriff has also created specialized equipment for the handicapped, is a motivational speaker and a counselor of wheelchair patients, and was named recently as Employer of the Year for Small Business for hiring handicapped people."

Mr. Sheriff who was present on the Senate floor was presented with the Senate Certificate of honor by Senator Solomon and a lei by Senator Fernandes Salling.

Senator Blair introduced his "campaign gang from Mililani" who were sitting in the gallery.

At 11:51 o'clock a.m., the Senate stood in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

The Senate reconvened at 11:57 o'clock a.m.

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR

The following messages from the Governor (Gov. Msg. Nos. 143 and 144) were read by the Clerk and were placed on file:

Gov. Msg. No. 143, transmitting the 1986 Report to the Fourteenth Legislature of the Employee Stock Ownership Advisory Committee, Department of Planning and Economic Development, in response to Act 315, SLH 1986.

Gov. Msg. No. 144, transmitting the Annual Report (July 1, 1985 - June 30, 1986) of activities under the Job Training Partnership Act, prepared by the Hawaii Job Training Coordinating Council.

HOUSE COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications from the House (Hse. Com. Nos. 353 and 354) were read by the Clerk and were disposed of as follows:

Hse. Com. No. 353, transmitting House Concurrent Resolution No. 29 which was adopted by the House of Representatives on March 24, 1987, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 29, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING ENFORCEMENT OF THE MINIMUM SPEED LIMIT," was referred to the Committee on Transportation.

Hse. Com. No. 354, transmitting House Concurrent Resolution No. 32 which was adopted by the House of Representatives on March 24, 1987, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 32, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING IMMEDIATE CONGRESSIONAL ACTION TO REAUTHORIZE THE FEDERAL-AID HIGHWAY ACT," was referred to the Committee on Transportation.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions (S.C.R. Nos. 38 and 39) were read by the Clerk and were disposed of as follows:

S.C.R. No. 38, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO REEVALUATE ITS SYSTEM OF DELIVERY OF SERVICES TO HEARING IMPAIRED SCHOOLCHILDREN," was offered by Senators Ikeda, George, A.

Kobayashi, Young, Matsuura, Blair, Menor, Reed, Yamasaki, B. Kobayashi, Cobb and Kuroda.

By unanimous consent, S.C.R. No. 38 was referred to the Committee on Education.

S.C.R. No. 39, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO REEVALUATE ITS SPECIAL SERVICES FOR SPEECH AND LANGUAGE IMPAIRED STUDENTS," was offered by Senators Ikeda, George, A. Kobayashi, Young, Matsuura, Blair, Menor, Reed, Yamasaki, B. Kobayashi, Cobb and Kuroda.

By unanimous consent, S.C.R. No. 39 was referred to the Committee on Education.

SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following resolutions (S.R. Nos. 49 to 51) were read by the Clerk and were disposed of as follows:

S.R. No. 49, entitled: "SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO REEVALUATE ITS SYSTEM OF DELIVERY OF SERVICES TO HEARING IMPAIRED SCHOOLCHILDREN," was offered by Senators Ikeda, George, A. Kobayashi, Young, Matsuura, Blair, Menor, Reed, B. Kobayashi, Cobb and Kuroda.

By unanimous consent, S.R. No. 49 was referred to the Committee on Education.

S.R. No. 50, entitled: "SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO REEVALUATE ITS SPECIAL SERVICES FOR SPEECH AND LANGUAGE IMPAIRED STUDENTS," was offered by Senators Ikeda, George, A. Kobayashi, Young, Matsuura, Blair, Menor, Reed, B. Kobayashi, Cobb and Kuroda.

By unanimous consent, S.R. No. 50 was referred to the Committee on Education.

S.R. No. 51, entitled: "SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE CREATION OF A SEPARATE STANDARD FEDERAL REGION FOR HAWAII AND THE TERRITORIES AND INSULAR POSSESSIONS IN THE PACIFIC," was offered by Senators J. Wong, Blair, Yamasaki, Matsuura, Young, Menor, Hagino, Hée, Ikeda, Fernandes Salling, Aki, B. Kobayashi, A. Kobayashi, George, Holt and Reed.

By unanimous consent, S.R. No. 51 was referred to the Committee on Government Operations.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

Senator J. Wong, for the Committee on Military and Civil Defense, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 800) recommending that Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 13, as amended in S.D. 1, be adopted.

Senator J. Wong then moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 800 be adopted and S.C.R. No. 13, S.D. 1, be adopted, seconded by Senator Blair.

Senator Cobb rose to speak in support of the resolution and remarked:

"Mr. President, I will vote for the resolution but I want to note for the record the reservation on page 3 of the committee report in the second paragraph for the deadline for receipt back by the Legislature is on or before December 11, 1987.

"Recognizing the imperative need for a veterans cemetery, it was my sincere hope we would have some action and a decision this year although apparently the process involved will put it off until next year. That will mean a very compressed and close deadline for the implementation of a veterans cemetery because Punchbowl is due to fill up for casket burials by December of 1988.

"Some planners have told me that it takes a year to a year and a half to get this project off the ground and fully implemented but I hope very sincerely that even with the late receipt of this we will have time next session to implement it in terms of a site selection and funding.

"I want to express my thanks to the chairman for moving this resolution and being so active in this area. Thank you."

The motion was put by the Chair and

carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 13, S.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THAT THE OFFICE OF THE LEGISLATIVE AUDITOR CONDUCT AN ASSESSMENT OF SUITABLE LAND SITES IN CENTRAL OAHU, APPROPRIATE FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A STATE VETERANS CEMETERY AND A PERMANENT PUBLIC MEMORIAL FOR VETERANS," was adopted.

ORDER OF THE DAY

RE-REFERRAL OF HOUSE BILLS

The President made the following re-referral of House Bills:

House Bill	Referred to:
No. 1041, H.D. 1 Transportation	Committee on on
No. 1331	Committee on Human Services, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

At 12:00 o'clock noon, the Senate stood in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

The Senate reconvened at 12:04 o'clock p.m.

At this time, Senator Menor introduced a good friend from Mililani, Mrs. Elaine Miura and her children, Noa, Kanani and Lei.

ADJOURNMENT

At 12:06 o'clock p.m., on motion by Senator Blair, seconded by Senator George and carried, the Senate adjourned until 11:30 o'clock a.m., Friday, March 27, 1987.