

THIRTY-SEVENTH DAY

Thursday, March 22, 1990

The Senate of the Fifteenth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 1990, convened at 11:35 o'clock a.m. with the President in the Chair.

The Divine Blessing was invoked by the Reverend Daniel Nebres, Cosmopolitan United Church of Christ, after which the Roll was called showing all Senators present with the exception of Senators Holt and McMurdo who were excused.

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

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

Senator McCartney, on behalf of Senators Hagino and himself, introduced a group of 8th grade students from Kahuku Intermediate and High School, seated in the gallery, accompanied by their teacher Linda Smith and their counselor August Suehiro.

Senator Ikeda introduced a group of 4th grade students from Holy Trinity School, also seated in the gallery, accompanied by their teacher Miss Barbara Dunn and parents, Mrs. Ribellia, Mrs. Kate Ishii and Mrs. Val Ishii.

Senator Crozier then recognized and introduced his relatives who were among the group from Holy Trinity School: Mrs. Kate Ishii and daughter Raynette, Mrs. Val Ishii and son Larry, Willie Bryant, Laanui Correa and Keola Kekoa.

Senator Crozier then interjected:

"Mr. President, last year I set a record for the most introductions. This year I may end up setting the record for having the most relatives, my 'ohana,' to visit the Legislature.

"Mr. President, Willie Bryant's father is a fisherman and they have to use gill nets to catch fish. We have a bill before us that we're debating on right now about the use of gill nets. If that bill passes, Willie's father cannot make a living and Willie and all his brothers and sisters are going to end up living with me. So, I'd like my colleagues to consider that."

Senator Matsuura then said:

"Mr. President, as chairman of the ocean resources committee I shall look into the bill about these akule fishermen because I certainly don't want Willie to be living with my colleague from the Makakilo District. Thank you."

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Senator Mizuguchi, for the Committee on Corrections, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2688) recommending that H.B. No. 3265 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

On motion by Senator Blair, seconded by Senator Reed and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 3265, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO NOTICE OF ESCAPE," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senator Ikeda, for the Committee on Agriculture, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2689) recommending that H.B. No. 2266, H.D. 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator Blair, seconded by Senator Reed and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2266, H.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR A STATEWIDE HOUSEHOLD AND AGRICULTURAL HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION PROJECT," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senator Ikeda, for the Committee on Agriculture, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2690) recommending that H.B. No. 2882 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator Blair, seconded by Senator Reed and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2882, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE MOLOKAI IRRIGATION AND WATER UTILIZATION PROJECT," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senator Crozier, for the Committee on Housing and Hawaiian Programs, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2691) recommending that H.B. No. 2890, H.D. 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator Blair, seconded by Senator Reed and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2890, H.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS FOR HOUSING PROJECTS," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senator Crozier, for the Committee on Housing and Hawaiian Programs, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2692) recommending that H.B. No. 2909, H.D. 1, as amended in S.D. 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator Blair, seconded by Senator Reed and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2909, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII HOUSING AUTHORITY," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senator Crozier, for the Committee on Housing and Hawaiian Programs, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2693) recommending that H.B. No. 2939 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator Blair, seconded by Senator Reed and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2939, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE RENTER'S INCOME TAX CREDIT," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senator Crozier, for the Committee on Housing and Hawaiian Programs, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2694) recommending that H.B. No. 2941, H.D. 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator Blair, seconded by Senator Reed and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2941, H.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO INDIVIDUAL HOUSING ACCOUNTS," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senator Crozier, for the majority of the Committee on Housing and Hawaiian Programs, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2695) recommending that H.B. No. 3238, H.D. 2, as amended in S.D. 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator Blair, seconded by Senator Reed and carried, the report of the majority of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 3238, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR A STUDY OF INNOVATIVE HOUSING TECHNIQUES THAT WOULD RESULT IN THE LOWERING OF HOUSING COSTS FOR HAWAII RESIDENTS WHO WISH TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF ALTERNATIVE ENERGY DEVICES AND INNOVATIVE HOUSING DESIGN," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

ORDER OF THE DAY

ADVISE AND CONSENT

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2687 (Gov. Msg. Nos. 127, 128, 162, 163, 164, 165, 167, 168, 169 and 170):

Senator Blair moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2687 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Chang and carried.

Senator Blair then moved that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations of the following:

Deborah Merritt to the Board of Osteopathic Examiners, term to expire June 30, 1994;

Todd Kiyoshi Inafuku and Robert La Madrid to the Board of Pharmacy, terms to expire June 30, 1994;

Eileen C. Phillips and Patrick H. Okawaki to the Board of Public Accountancy, terms to expire June 30, 1994;

Susan Tamura Sato and Ted S. Watanabe, D.C., L.Ac., to the Board of Acupuncture, terms to expire June 30, 1992;

Benny C. Rodrigues to the Boxing Commission, term to expire June 30, 1994;

Lucrecia Anne Whitehurst and Milton Y. Migita to the Board of Cosmetology, terms to expire June 30, 1994;

Buster M. Komori to the Motor Vehicle Repair Industry Board, term to expire June 30, 1994;

Charles C. Denman to the Motor Vehicle Repair Industry Board, term to expire June 30, 1990;

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Alexander K. Cho and Howard Tagomori to the Board of Private Detectives and Guards, terms to expire June 30, 1994; and

Jean Adair-Leland, Ph.D., and Ken T. Kuniyuki to the Board of Psychology, terms to expire June 30, 1994,

seconded by Senator Chang.

The motion was put by the Chair and carried on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 23. Noes, none. Excused, 2 (Holt, McMurdo).

Senator Tungpalan rose to speak on a point of personal privilege as follows:

"Mr. President, I find it again necessary to clarify my statements as quoted in the Star-Bulletin on March 20, 1990, as they were again taken out of context. It was quite disturbing to see the very thing that I took opposition to glaring on the editorial page in the quotable section.

"Mr. President, I am now and I have always been a strong advocate of our public school system. My sons, David and Jonathan, both attend public schools. However, like many others, I believe our public schools do have areas of concern which we in state government must address.

"I have received much input from concerned parents, teachers and students regarding our schools and have attempted to create a more positive school system. Teachers and students desire smaller, more manageable teacher-student ratios; students have a right to a safe school environment; and administrators have continuously expressed the need for stronger laws authorizing them to exercise more control over problems such as smoking on our campuses.

"I realize that we in the Legislature have spent many hours attempting to make these improvements to the quality of our schools. However, we are aware that there are further efforts that must be made to enhance our schools.

"Once again, I would like to reiterate my position as a strong advocate of excellence in our public schools.

"I was very thankful that Mr. John Symonds of the Star-Bulletin has allowed me the courtesy of expounding on these views and I will be expressing them further in the Star-Bulletin.

"Thank you."

Senator B. Kobayashi, also on a point of personal privilege, said:

"Mr. President, may I have it as a matter of record that it is my understanding that the Senate, in this session so far, has not accepted a single 48-hour waiver request."

The Chair interjected that the Senator from the 13th District was correct.

ADJOURNMENT

At 11:51 o'clock a.m., on motion by Senator Blair, seconded by Senator Reed and carried, the Senate adjourned until 11:30 o'clock a.m., Friday, March 23, 1990.