

FORTY-THIRD DAY

Tuesday, April 4, 1995

The Senate of the Eighteenth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 1995, convened at 11:34 o'clock a.m. with the President in the Chair.

The Divine Blessing was invoked by the Reverend Julia McKenna-Dubin, The Ministry for Divine Harmony, after which the Roll was called showing all Senators present with the exception of Senator Ikeda who was excused.

The President announced that he had read and approved the Journal of the Forty-Second Day.

HOUSE COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications from the House (Hse. Com. Nos. 413 to 421) were read by the Clerk and were disposed of as follows:

Hse. Com. No. 413, returning S.B. No. 1155, which passed Third Reading in the House of Representatives on April 3, 1995, was placed on file.

Hse. Com. No. 414, returning S.B. No. 1577, S.D. 1, which passed Third Reading in the House of Representatives on April 3, 1995, in an amended form, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, action on S.B. No. 1577, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE PAYMENT OF TAXES BY ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER," was deferred until Wednesday, April 5, 1995.

Hse. Com. No. 415, transmitting H.C.R. No. 9, H.D. 2, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 3, 1995, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 9, H.D. 2, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING A STUDY OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION'S MOTOR VEHICLE SAFETY INSPECTION PROGRAM," was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Government Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 416, transmitting H.C.R. No. 76, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 3, 1995, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 76, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE EFFORTS OF THE HAWAII CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION TO HOMEPORT THE USS MISSOURI (BB-63) IN BATTLESHIP ROW," was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Government Affairs.

Hse. Com. No. 417, transmitting H.C.R. No. 123, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 3, 1995, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 123, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII TO CHANGE ITS POLICY ON THE NAMING OF BUILDINGS AND OTHER FACILITIES," was referred to the Committee on Higher Education, Culture, and Arts.

Hse. Com. No. 418, transmitting H.C.R. No. 202, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 3, 1995, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 202, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE GOVERNOR TO DIRECT THE DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND GENERAL SERVICES TO UTILIZE COMBINED ETHANOL FUEL IN THE FLEET OF STATE VEHICLES AND TO PROMOTE DISCUSSIONS ON THE USE OF ETHANOL AS AN ALTERNATIVE FUEL FOR TRANSPORTATION AND POWER GENERATION BY DEVELOPING INDUSTRY INCENTIVES," was referred to the Committee on Economic Development.

Hse. Com. No. 419, transmitting H.C.R. No. 278, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 3, 1995, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 278, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS, THE TERRITORY OF GUAM, THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE, THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, AND THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE TO ASSIST ONE ANOTHER IN THE DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF AN INTEGRATED PEST MANAGEMENT CONTROL PROGRAM TO PREVENT THE SPREAD OF THE BROWN TREE SNAKE," was referred jointly to the Committee on Agriculture, Labor, and Employment, the Committee on Ecology and Environmental Protection, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 420, transmitting H.C.R. No. 282, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 3, 1995, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 282, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO RENEW THE MOORING PERMIT FOR THE FREE SPIRIT ASSOCIATES, INC IN THE ALA WAI SMALL BOAT HARBOR," was referred to the Committee on Tourism and Recreation.

Hse. Com. No. 421, transmitting H.C.R. No. 285, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 3, 1995, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 285, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA IN ITS CAMPAIGN TO OBTAIN THE RIGHT TO PARTICIPATE IN THE UNITED NATIONS AND IN THE INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES OF THE UNITED NATIONS," was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Government Affairs.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS
AND LEADERSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT

Senator Fernandes Salling, for the Committee on Transportation and Government Affairs, presented a report (Stand Com. Rep. No. 1149) recommending that S.R. No. 187, as amended in S.D. 1, be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

By unanimous consent, action on Stand Com. Rep. No. 1149 and S.R. No. 187, S.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE GOVERNOR TO CONVENE THE HAWAII MARITIME INDUSTRY POLICY ADVISORY TASK FORCE," was deferred until Wednesday, April 5, 1995.

Senator Fernandes Salling, for the Committee on Transportation and Government Affairs, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1150) recommending that S.R. No. 204, as amended in S.D. 1, be adopted.

By unanimous consent, action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1150 and S.R. No. 204, S.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE RESOLUTION URGING THE OFFICE OF VETERANS SERVICES OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE TO ASSIST THE KOHALA COMMUNITY TO ERECT A MONUMENT AT VETERANS FIELD," was deferred until Wednesday, April 5, 1995.

Senator Fernandes Salling, for the Committee on Transportation and Government Affairs, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1151) recommending that S.C.R. No. 234, as amended in S.D. 1, be adopted.

By unanimous consent, action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1151 and S.C.R. No. 234, S.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE OFFICE OF VETERANS SERVICES OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE TO ASSIST THE KOHALA COMMUNITY TO ERECT A MONUMENT AT VETERANS FIELD," was deferred until Wednesday, April 5, 1995.

Senators Fernandes Salling and Iwase, for the Committee on Transportation and Government Affairs and the Committee on Planning, Land and Water Use Management, presented a joint report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1152) recommending that S.R. No. 245 be adopted.

By unanimous consent, action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1152 and S.R. No. 245, entitled: "SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING EITHER THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES OR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO ACQUIRE THE HANAIEI BOATYARD ADJACENT TO THE STATE PIER AND WHARF FACILITY AND BOAT LAUNCH RAMP AT HANAIEI, KAUAI," was deferred until Wednesday, April 5, 1995.

Senators Fernandes Salling and Iwase, for the Committee on Transportation and Government Affairs and the Committee on Planning, Land and Water Use Management, presented a joint report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1153) recommending that S.C.R. No. 291 be adopted.

By unanimous consent, action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1153 and S.C.R. No. 291, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING EITHER THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES OR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO ACQUIRE THE HANAIEI BOATYARD ADJACENT TO THE STATE PIER AND WHARF FACILITY AND BOAT LAUNCH RAMP AT HANAIEI, KAUAI," was deferred until Wednesday, April 5, 1995.

Senator Baker, for the Committee on Legislative Salary, presented a report (Ldr. Com. Rep. No. 1154) recommending that S.C.R. No. 162, as amended in S.D. 1, be adopted.

By unanimous consent, action on Ldr. Com. Rep. No. 1154 and S.C.R. No. 162, S.D. 1, was deferred to the end of the calendar.

Senator Levin, for the Committee on Health, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1155) recommending that S.R. No. 103, as amended in S.D. 1, be adopted.

By unanimous consent, action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1155 and S.R. No. 103, S.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE IMPROVEMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES IN HAWAII," was deferred until Wednesday, April 5, 1995.

Senator Levin, for the Committee on Health, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1156) recommending that S.C.R. No. 117, as amended in S.D. 1, be adopted.

By unanimous consent, action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1156 and S.C.R. No. 117, S.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE IMPROVEMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES IN HAWAII," was deferred until Wednesday, April 5, 1995.

Senators Levin and Matsunaga, for the Committee on Health and the Committee on Economic Development, presented a joint report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1157) recommending that S.R. No. 231, as amended in S.D. 1, be adopted.

By unanimous consent, action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1157 and S.R. No. 231, S.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING A REPORT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND TOURISM ON THE POTENTIAL FOR DEVELOPING AN EXPORT HEALTH INDUSTRY IN THE STATE," was deferred until Wednesday, April 5, 1995.

Senators Levin and Matsunaga, for the Committee on Health and the Committee on Economic Development, presented a joint report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1158) recommending that S.C.R. No. 269, as amended in S.D. 1, be adopted.

By unanimous consent, action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1158 and S.C.R. No. 269, S.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING A REPORT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND TOURISM ON THE POTENTIAL FOR DEVELOPING AN EXPORT HEALTH INDUSTRY IN THE STATE," was deferred until Wednesday, April 5, 1995.

Senators Levin and Matsunaga, for the Committee on Health and the Committee on Economic Development, presented a joint report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1159) recommending that S.R. No. 232, as amended in S.D. 1, be adopted.

By unanimous consent, action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1159 and S.R. No. 232, S.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND TOURISM TO DEVELOP A PLAN TO MARKET THE EXPERTISE AND EXCELLENCE OF HAWAII'S HEALTH CARE," was deferred until Wednesday, April 5, 1995.

Senators Levin and Matsunaga, for the Committee on Health and the Committee on Economic Development, presented a joint report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1160) recommending that S.C.R. No. 270, as amended in S.D. 1, be adopted.

By unanimous consent, action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1160 and S.C.R. No. 270, S.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND TOURISM TO DEVELOP A PLAN TO MARKET THE EXPERTISE AND EXCELLENCE OF HAWAII'S HEALTH CARE," was deferred until Wednesday, April 5, 1995.

At 11:41 o'clock a.m., the Senate stood in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

The Senate reconvened at 11:42 o'clock a.m.

ORDER OF THE DAY

MATTERS DEFERRED FROM MONDAY, APRIL 3, 1995

ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1121 (S.C.R. No. 198, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Ihara, seconded by Senator Liu and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 198, S.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION CREATING A TASK FORCE TO STUDY POTENTIAL USES OF THE WAHIAWA RESERVOIR," was adopted.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1122 (S.C.R. No. 223, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Ihara, seconded by Senator Liu and carried, the joint report of the Committees was adopted and S.C.R. No. 223, S.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING A REVIEW OF THE NORTH SHORE PAUKAULA STREAMBANK AND RIPARIAN AREA COMMUNITY RESTORATION PROJECT," was adopted.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1123 (S.R. No. 208, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Ihara, seconded by Senator Liu and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.R. No. 208, S.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE TO DEVELOP 'BENCHMARKS' TO ACCOMPLISH THE STRATEGIC VISION OF THE STATE OF HAWAII," was adopted with Senator Liu voting "No."

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1124 (S.C.R. No. 238, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Ihara, seconded by Senator Liu and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 238, S.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A TASK FORCE TO DEVELOP 'BENCHMARKS' TO ACCOMPLISH THE STRATEGIC VISION OF THE STATE OF HAWAII," was adopted with Senator Liu voting "No."

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1125 (S.R. No. 219, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Ihara, seconded by Senator Liu and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.R. No. 219, S.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING DEVELOPMENT OF 'GREENWAY' DEFINITION," was adopted.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1126 (S.C.R. No. 249, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Ihara, seconded by Senator Liu and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 249, S.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING DEVELOPMENT OF 'GREENWAY' DEFINITION," was adopted.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1127 (S.R. No. 246):

On motion by Senator Ihara, seconded by Senator Liu and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.R. No. 246, entitled: "SENATE RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND

NATURAL RESOURCES, THE DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND GENERAL SERVICES, AND THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU TO EXPEDITE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF RECOMMENDED STREAM BANK STABILIZATION AND EROSION PROTECTION MEASURES FOR MANOA STREAM, OAHU," was adopted.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1128 (S.C.R. No. 292):

On motion by Senator Ihara, seconded by Senator Liu and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 292, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES, THE DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND GENERAL SERVICES, AND THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU TO EXPEDITE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF RECOMMENDED STREAM BANK STABILIZATION AND EROSION PROTECTION MEASURES FOR MANOA STREAM, OAHU," was adopted.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1129 (S.R. No. 111, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Ihara, seconded by Senator Liu and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.R. No. 111, S.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO SUPPORT PAPA OLA LOKAHI IN ITS EFFORTS TO PLACE GRADUATES FROM THE NATIVE HAWAIIAN HEALTH PROFESSIONS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM," was adopted.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1130 (S.C.R. No. 128, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Ihara, seconded by Senator Liu and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 128, S.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO SUPPORT PAPA OLA LOKAHI IN ITS EFFORTS TO PLACE GRADUATES FROM THE NATIVE HAWAIIAN HEALTH PROFESSIONS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM," was adopted.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1131 (S.R. No. 192, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Ihara, seconded by Senator Liu and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.R. No. 192, S.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO INVESTIGATE METHODS OF DELIVERING MEDICAL SERVICES MORE EFFICIENTLY DURING WEEKENDS AND AFTER HOURS ON WEEKDAYS," was adopted.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1132 (S.C.R. No. 219, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Ihara, seconded by Senator Liu and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 219, S.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO INVESTIGATE METHODS OF DELIVERING MEDICAL SERVICES MORE EFFICIENTLY DURING WEEKENDS AND AFTER HOURS ON WEEKDAYS," was adopted.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1133 (S.C.R. No. 243, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Ihara, seconded by Senator Liu and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 243, S.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO CONVENE A TASK FORCE TO REVIEW THE RESPONSIBILITIES AND

FUNCTIONS OF THE STATE HEALTH PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT AGENCY," was adopted.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1134 (S.R. No. 47):

On motion by Senator Ihara, seconded by Senator Liu and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.R. No. 47, entitled: "SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE JUDICIAL SELECTION COMMISSION TO DEVELOP, PUBLISH, AND UTILIZE STANDARDS FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF JUDGES AND JUSTICES," was adopted.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1135 (S.C.R. No. 16, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Ihara, seconded by Senator Liu and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 16, S.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE CHILD WELFARE SERVICES REFORM TASK FORCE TO DEVELOP A BLUEPRINT FOR REFORM IN CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICES," was adopted.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1136 (S.R. No. 14, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Ihara, seconded by Senator Liu and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.R. No. 14, S.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE CHILD WELFARE SERVICES REFORM TASK FORCE TO DEVELOP A BLUEPRINT FOR REFORM IN CHILD PROTECTIVE SERVICES," was adopted.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1137 (S.C.R. No. 56):

On motion by Senator Ihara, seconded by Senator Liu and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 56, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE JUDICIAL SELECTION COMMISSION TO DEVELOP, PUBLISH, AND UTILIZE STANDARDS FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF JUDGES AND JUSTICES," was adopted.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1138 (S.R. No. 162, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Ihara, seconded by Senator Liu and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.R. No. 162, S.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING BASELINE DATA ON THE AVAILABILITY OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS TO MINORS AND URGING COLLABORATION BETWEEN THE PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SECTORS IN DEVELOPING PROPOSALS TO REGULATE AND REDUCE THE ILLEGAL SALE OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS TO MINORS," was adopted.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1139 (S.C.R. No. 183, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Ihara, seconded by Senator Liu and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 183, S.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING BASELINE DATA ON THE AVAILABILITY OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS TO MINORS STATEWIDE AND URGING COLLABORATION BETWEEN THE PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SECTORS IN DEVELOPING PROPOSALS TO REGULATE AND REDUCE THE ILLEGAL SALE OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS TO MINORS," was adopted.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1140 (S.R. No. 179, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Ihara, seconded by Senator Liu and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.R. No. 179, S.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE

RESOLUTION URGING THE REVIEW OF THE PENAL RULES COMMITTEE PROPOSAL TO PROVIDE FOR EXPEDITED TRIALS INVOLVING PERSONS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS INCLUDING THOSE INVOLVING CHILD VICTIMS OR CHILD WITNESSES," was adopted.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1141 (S.C.R. No. 206, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Ihara, seconded by Senator Liu and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 206, S.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE REVIEW OF THE PENAL RULES COMMITTEE PROPOSAL TO PROVIDE FOR EXPEDITED TRIALS INVOLVING PERSONS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS INCLUDING THOSE INVOLVING CHILD VICTIMS OR CHILD WITNESSES," was adopted.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1142 (S.R. No. 181):

On motion by Senator Ihara, seconded by Senator Liu and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.R. No. 181, entitled: "SENATE RESOLUTION URGING THE JUDICIARY TO PROVIDE TRAINING FOR JUDGES ON THE APPLICATION OF THE HAWAII RULES OF EVIDENCE REGARDING THE COMPETENCY OF CHILD WITNESSES," was adopted.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1143 (S.C.R. No. 208):

On motion by Senator Ihara, seconded by Senator Liu and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 208, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE JUDICIARY TO PROVIDE TRAINING FOR JUDGES ON THE APPLICATION OF THE HAWAII RULES OF EVIDENCE REGARDING THE COMPETENCY OF CHILD WITNESSES," was adopted.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1144 (S.R. No. 200, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Ihara, seconded by Senator Liu and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.R. No. 200, S.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF PRISONS TO CHOOSE A SITE THAT IS MUTUALLY ACCEPTABLE TO THE STATE OF HAWAII AND THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FOR THE PROPOSED FEDERAL DETENTION CENTER ON OAHU," was adopted.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1145 (S.C.R. No. 229, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Ihara, seconded by Senator Liu and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 229, S.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF PRISONS TO CHOOSE A SITE THAT IS MUTUALLY ACCEPTABLE TO THE STATE OF HAWAII AND THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FOR THE PROPOSED FEDERAL DETENTION CENTER ON OAHU," was adopted.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1146 (S.C.R. No. 308, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Ihara, seconded by Senator Liu and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 308, S.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO INVESTIGATE HUMAN RIGHTS ABUSES IN THE COMMONWEALTH OF NORTHERN MARIANAS," was adopted.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1147 (S.R. No. 22, S.D. 1):

By unanimous consent, action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1147 and S.R. No. 22, S.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE RESOLUTION URGING THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES AND THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO JOIN IN A CONCERTED EFFORT IN AMENDING THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION TO PROHIBIT THE PHYSICAL DESECRATION OF THE UNITED STATES FLAG," was deferred until Wednesday, April 5, 1995.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1148 (S.C.R. No. 26, S.D. 1):

By unanimous consent, action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1148 and S.C.R. No. 26, S.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES AND THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO JOIN IN A CONCERTED EFFORT IN AMENDING THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION TO PROHIBIT THE PHYSICAL DESECRATION OF THE UNITED STATES FLAG," was deferred until Wednesday, April 5, 1995.

AGREE/DISAGREE

S.B. No. 893, S.D. 1 (H.D. 1):

By unanimous consent, action on S.B. No. 893, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO STATE SERVICE FEES," was deferred until Wednesday, April 5, 1995.

S.B. No. 1201 (H.D. 1):

By unanimous consent, action on S.B. No. 1201, H.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SHORT-TERM INVESTMENTS OF STATE MONIES," was deferred until Wednesday, April 5, 1995.

S.B. No. 1573, S.D. 2 (H.D. 1):

By unanimous consent, action on S.B. No. 1573, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CHAPTER REFERENCES IN CHAPTER 231, HAWAII REVISED STATUTES," was deferred until Wednesday, April 5, 1995.

ADVISE AND CONSENT

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1115 (Gov. Msg. No. 128):

Senator Solomon moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1115 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Holt and carried.

Senator Solomon then moved that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of JAMES J. NAKATANI as Chairperson, Board of Agriculture, term to expire December 31, 1998, seconded by Senator Holt.

Senator Solomon rose to speak in favor of the nominee as follows:

"I rise in support, Mr. President, of this nominee for Gov. Msg. No. 128.

"Mr. President, your committee finds that James J. Nakatani is a third-generation farmer and served nine years as President of the Hawaii Farm Bureau Federation. During his tenure as President of the Bureau, he participated in the development of the Department of Agriculture's pesticide education program, the formulation of the State's endangered species protection plan, the development of guidelines for the State Water Code, strengthening of the Right to Farm Act, and the creation of the Agribusiness Development Corporation. As an independent farmer and business person, Jimmy

views agriculture as an important part of Hawaii's economy and is committed to identifying markets for diversified agricultural products.

"Testimony in support of the nominee submitted to your committee indicates that Jimmy is regarded within the agriculture industry as someone who understands the day-to-day processes of farming and possesses the necessary leadership skills to administer the Department of Agriculture. While he is known as an advocate for the farming community, he has also shown that he is aware of the regulatory functions of the department and their importance in protecting the consumer.

"With this, Mr. President, your committee recommends his confirmation by the Senate. Thank you."

Senator Kanno also rose in support of the nominee and said:

"Mr. President, I rise to speak in favor of the nominee.

"Mr. President, I have gotten to know James Nakatani as President of the Hawaii Farm Bureau Federation. We first met a couple of years ago when I first served as chair of the Agriculture Committee. He has consistently shown a level of commitment and fairness in carrying out his responsibilities in terms of working with agricultural issues statewide. I believe he is well-qualified for the position.

"What lies ahead for him in his new role are a number of challenges considering the closing of a number of sugar plantations and the availability of large tracts of land. This session, we are dealing with difficult issues: the future of the Agribusiness Development Corporation which the Legislature created a year ago; the future of the Governor's Agriculture Coordinating Committee; and the role that agriculture will play in the future economic development of the state. I believe that Mr. Nakatani will do a good job rising to the challenge of facing these difficult questions and developing the vision that will carry agriculture into the future.

"Thank you very much."

Senator Matsuura, rising to speak in favor of the nominee, then said:

"Mr. President, I also rise in support of this nominee.

"I think this is a landmark decision that we will be making today because for the first time in my experience in confirming the Director of the Department of Agriculture, we have a genuine farmer. It does not matter whether a person has a Ph.D., or is with the university, or is a political animal, you will find that most of them -- maybe 99.99 -- will fail as a commercial farmer. Today we have one that is a successful farmer. We are making a tremendous choice in having a true farmer, a genuine farmer who has made it to this point and never failed, to be the Director of the Department of Agriculture. He is going to be great leader for all the farmers of the State of Hawaii.

"Thank you."

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

Ayes, 23. Noes, none. Excused, 2 (Bunda, Ikeda).

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1116 (Gov. Msg. No. 129):

Senator Solomon moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1116 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Holt and carried.

Senator Solomon then moved that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of MARGERY S. BRONSTER, as Attorney General, term to expire December 7, 1998, seconded by Senator Holt.

Senator Solomon rose in support of the nominee as follows:

"Mr. President, I'm speaking in support of Gov. Msg. No. 129.

"Mr. President, your committee finds that Margery S. Bronster is a graduate of the Columbia School of Law and has been a practicing litigation partner with a Hawaii law corporation since 1988, serving as a managing partner and head of the Hawaii firm's hiring committee. Ms. Bronster has also participated in pro bono activities, including service as a member and President of the Board of Directors for Hawaii Lawyers Care and as a member of the Citizens' Conference on Judicial Selection.

"Testimony in support of the nominee submitted to your Committee indicates that Margery is well-regarded for her adept legal skills, her ability to address problems with efficiency and effectiveness and her fairness and integrity in dealing with all people. Her colleagues, former associates and staff, as well as representatives of the Judiciary, concur that she possesses the necessary legal knowledge and management skills to guide the Department of the Attorney General and successfully meet the many challenges that will be presented to her as chief counsel for the State of Hawaii.

"With that, Mr. President, your chairwoman of the committee recommends a positive vote for this nominee. Thank you."

Senator Matsunaga rose in support of the nominee and said:

"Mr. President, I have had the fortunate pleasure of working with Margery Bronster at the Law Firm of Carlsmith Ball Wichman Case & Ichiki since Margery moved to Hawaii from New York in 1988. I speak from both personal and professional experience when I say that Governor Cayetano could not have appointed a more exemplary Attorney General for the State of Hawaii. She is, quite frankly, one of the finest attorneys I have ever worked with.

"Her professional qualifications are impeccable. As the prior speaker has mentioned, she is a graduate of Brown University and Columbia University School of Law. Before coming to Carlsmith, she practiced as a litigation attorney at the prestigious Law Firm of Sherman & Sterling in New York City. She was president of the board of directors of Hawaii Lawyers Care and was a member of the planning committee of the 1993 citizens conference on judicial selection. On top of all this, Margery Bronster is fluent in Mandarin Chinese and more importantly, she is a resident of the 9th Senatorial District.

"Mr. President, the direction of our state's legal policies, as well as our citizens' trust in state government, will be defined by the next Attorney General. I have immeasurable confidence that Margery Bronster possesses the wisdom to set the correct policies, the tenacity to enforce our laws fully and fairly, and most importantly, the view that she is the attorney for all the people of the State of Hawaii.

"I was proud to call Margery my law partner. I am proud to call her my friend. I will be even prouder to call her my state's Attorney General."

Senator Grauly rose to speak in favor of the nominee and said:

"Mr. President, I rise to speak in strong support of this nomination.

"Mr. President, in Margery Bronster we have an individual who is an extremely able attorney, but more importantly, I think we have a very caring individual and someone who is truly committed to the sacrifice that public service entails. I have had a very good working relationship with the new Attorney General and she has been very adept at laying out the various policy options that we as Legislators have to make. After all, Mr. President, she is not only the Executive Branch's Attorney General, she is the Legislature's Attorney General, our Attorney General. I am in strong support of her nomination.

"Thank you, Mr. President."

Senator Holt also rose in support and said:

"Mr. President, I'd like to echo the sentiments of the earlier Senators and her recognition and understanding of her role as Attorney General as being the chief legal officer of the state, representing, as Senator Grauly said, not only the administration, but the Legislature. I fully support the nominee. Thank you."

Senator McCartney rose in favor of the nomination and said:

"Mr. President, I rise to speak in support of the nomination and echo the comments of the previous speakers about her being not only the chief executive's lawyer but the Legislature's lawyer. And most importantly she made the statement that she is the people's lawyer and that is why we should support her. Thank you, Mr. President."

Senator Matsuura rose in support of the nominee and said:

"Mr. President, I also rise in support of the nominee.

"A few weeks ago I was totally in favor of an elected Attorney General until I asked Ms. Bronster this question at a Judiciary hearing. I asked her, if the laws were changed and we were to elect our Attorney General, would she have put her name in to run for that office. She said, 'No.' Ever since then, I have had second thoughts about going full boar on an elected Attorney General. I just want you folks to know that, because she is truly a fine person. Thank you."

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

Ayes, 23. Noes, none. Excused, 2 (Bunda, Ikeda).

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1117 (Gov. Msg. No. 140):

Senator Solomon moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1117 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Holt and carried.

Senator Solomon then moved that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of GEORGE IRANON, as Director of Public Safety, term to expire December 7, 1998, seconded by Senator Holt.

Senator Solomon rose in support of the nominee and said:

"Mr. President, I rise to speak in support of Gov. Msg. No. 140.

"Mr. President, your committee finds that George Iranon has a proven public service record including 29 years of law enforcement and 10 years of corrections experience within the State of Hawaii. George's first success included building a team to regain control of the Kulani Correctional Facility, and he has continually strived to resolve the ongoing staff overtime and facility overcrowding conditions within the corrections system. Additionally, George has distinguished himself as one of the few Hawaii graduates of the Federal Bureau of Investigation National Academy and the U.S. Secret Service Dignitary Protection Seminar, as well as collaborating with federal and local law enforcement agencies in the area of diversion control of drugs.

"Testimony in support of the nominee submitted to your committee indicates that professional associates and colleagues concur that George possesses both the professional experience and the necessary management skills and knowledge of labor relations to develop solutions to some of the ongoing staffing problems within the correctional system. Members of the community-at-large also testified that they know George as a compassionate and fair person who is dedicated to public service.

"Your committee members diligently questioned the nominee regarding his administrative qualifications, his visions and priorities for the Department of Public Safety, and related policy issues presently before the Legislature. Your committee believes that the nominee adequately responded to the committee's inquiries and as a result, Mr. President, I urge positive confirmation. Thank you."

Senator Grauly also rose in support of the nomination and said:

"Mr. President, I rise to speak in support of this nomination.

"Mr. President, in Mr. George Iranon we have someone who is eminently qualified for the position for which he has been appointed. With a long background in law enforcement, Mr. Iranon also brings some very strong successes in the corrections field, as mentioned by the previous speaker. In addition, he possesses the management background that is so necessary to move the prison system and the department forward.

"Mr. President, I believe Mr. Iranon is going to make us proud. He is going to be able to solve a lot of the problems that have beset the corrections system. It is not only a problem with overcrowding which in and of itself is a tremendous problem, but as you know and the other Senators know, we have problems in overtime and sick leave. I know that Mr. Iranon will bring these problems to the floor and deal with them as effectively as possible.

"I support his nomination and we are truly fortunate to have Mr. Iranon serve in the position for which he has been nominated. Thank you, Mr. President."

Senator Kawamoto also rose in support of the nomination and said:

"Mr. President, I rise to speak in support of this nominee.

"If roots have any importance in this process, George, as we affectionately call him, was raised in the plantation

town of Honoumū, next to your plantation town Pepekeo. I have said all along that the most important product of the plantation era was the people themselves and the values they learned. More recently I've been involved with Mr. Iranon in some cultural and veterans' activities, and his professionalism and his sense of community concerns are above reproach. Therefore I recommend his nomination. Thank you."

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

Ayes, 23. Noes, none. Excused, 2 (Bunda, Ikeda).

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1118 (Gov. Msg. No. 143):

Senator Solomon moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1118 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Holt and carried.

Senator Solomon then moved that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of GARY GILL as Director of Environmental Quality Control, terms to expire June 30, 1995 and June 30, 1999, seconded by Senator Holt.

Senator Solomon rose in support of the nominee as follows:

"Mr. President, I'm rising to speak in support of Gov. Msg. No. 143.

"Mr. President, your committee finds that Gary Gill, during his tenure as a council member of the City and County of Honolulu City Council from 1988 to 1994, served as the chair of the Committee on Energy and Environmental Protection and as chairperson of the City Council from 1992 to 1994. Gary's reputation as an advocate of community interests and his inclusive leadership style are among the positive characteristics which define his public service career.

"Testimony in support of the nominee submitted to your committee indicates that Gary possesses the integrity and communication skills necessary to be an active promoter of collaboration in the enforcement of environmental policies affecting both the public and private sectors. Additionally, Gary has shown that he is personally committed to maintaining and increasing the quality of Hawaii's physical environment for our present population as well as future generations.

"With this, Mr. President, your committee believes that the nominee adequately responded to the committee's inquiries, and recommends confirmation. Thank you."

Senator McCartney also rose in support and said:

"Mr. President, I rise to speak in support of this nomination.

"I do not think the governor could have picked a better person to sit in this position. Our environment is a very sensitive and delicate product of Hawaii that we need to preserve and protect. I've worked with Gary on many issues relating to the environment, especially Kaneohe Bay and many of the sensitive things that are happening there, and I know he is an advocate. He realizes that we need to be caretakers of our environment for the next generation; that we need to preserve and protect our environment and give it to our next generation. I think he will do an excellent job in that position and I'm very pleased that he will be serving the State of Hawaii and the people in that capacity.

"Thank you, Mr. President."

Senator Fukunaga also rose in support of the nomination and said:

"Mr. President, I rise to speak in support of this nominee.

"I've also known Gary Gill for a number of years and I would have to say that the name Gill has certainly been synonymous with taking care of the environment. From his early years as a 'keiki o ka'Aina," in the hills and valleys of the Makiki/Tantalus rain forest, to the many things that he has done throughout our community (both in recycling and looking for ways that the City and State can work innovatively to help define new dimensions for environmental protection), I think that the governor could not have made a better choice. I urge all my colleagues to vote in support of this nominee."

Senator Kawamoto rose in support of the nominee and said:

"Mr. President, I rise to speak in favor of this nominee.

"I had the opportunity to work with Gary on many occasions as the chairman of the Neighborhood Board, and he always has been open and very willing to listen. Sometimes we were on opposite sides, but he was always open to our community. I urge my colleagues to vote in favor of Gary Gill."

At this time, Senator Anderson rose in support of all of the nominees and said:

"Mr. President, I would like to speak on behalf of all of the nominees. I believe that they are all very, very qualified. As a person who was appointed himself, I know that the only thing that the governor has asked for is that you represent the people of the state to the best of your ability. I know that each one of you is very worthy of that. So I would like to speak in favor and hope my colleagues would do the same. Mahalo."

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

Ayes, 23. Noes, none. Excused, 2 (Bunda, Ikeda).

At this time, James Nakatani, Margery Bronster, George Iranon and Gary Gill rose to be recognized and were escorted to the floor of the Senate where they were congratulated by the members of the Senate.

At 12:02 o'clock p.m., the Senate stood in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

The Senate reconvened at 12:08 o'clock p.m.

RE-REFERRAL OF HOUSE BILL

The President re-referred the following House bill that was received:

House Bill Referred to:

No. 1926, H.D. 2, S.D. 1 Committee on Ways and Means

RE-REFERRAL OF SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

The Chair re-referred the following Senate concurrent resolution that was offered:

Senate
Concurrent

Resolution Referred to:

No. 276 Committee on Ways and Means

RE-REFERRAL OF SENATE RESOLUTION

The Chair re-referred the following Senate resolution that was offered:

Senate
Resolution Referred to:

No. 237 Committee on Ways and Means

MATTER DEFERRED FROM EARLIER ON THE CALENDAR

LEADERSHIP COMMITTEE REPORT

Ldr. Com. Rep. No. 1154 (S.C.R. No. 162, S.D. 1):

Senator Baker moved that Ldr. Com. Rep. No. 1154 and S.C.R. No. 162, S.D. 1, be adopted, seconded by Senator Ihara.

Senator Baker rose in support of the resolution and stated:

"Mr. President, I rise to support this resolution.

"Mr. President, at the outset I would like to commend the work of the Commission on Legislative Salary. They spent a lot of hours that took their time away from their other busy schedules in order to deal with this particular issue, and I would like to thank them for their efforts.

"They were very diligent in their efforts to develop a fair and justifiable resolution to the issue of legislative salary. However, linking legislative compensation to the process of collective bargaining for public employees raises serious concerns for your committee. The methodology recommended by the salary commission, in our view, inappropriately links the executive and legislative branches of government -- two separate, co-equal branches. This recommendation put forward by the Salary Commission, in my view, violates the separation of powers principle that this body has sought in many other arenas to both maintain and preserve.

"I would also like to note for the record that one member of the salary commission shared this view and in fact filed a minority opinion which became part of the record of the salary commission.

"Mr. President, in light of our sluggish economy, the budget shortfall that we are facing, and the prospect of layoffs, we simply cannot justify accepting pay raises at this time, even one scheduled years into the future. As you noted, Mr. President, the voters put us here because they believed we were capable of making hard choices among difficult alternatives. We cannot disappoint them now, especially when times are tough. We must lead by example. Mr. President, I believe our action on this matter supports that example and will enable us to return to more important matters, focusing on the real work of the people.

"So, Mr. President, on behalf of your committee, I ask my colleagues to join us in supporting this resolution to disapprove the recommendations of the Commission on Legislative Salary. Thank you."

Senator Liu also rose in support of the resolution and stated:

"Mr. President, I stand to speak in favor of this resolution.

"I am pleased that this is one of the rare occasions when I can stand up in agreement with the Majority Leader. I would also like to request to be very sure that when the media reports on this vote that they make it very clear to the public that an 'aye' vote really means that we are disapproving the pay raise recommendation.

"Also, I would like to concur with the comments made by the Majority Leader and in addition, to indicate that there are a number of other issues which I believe have to be discussed in conjunction with the issues surrounding the salary increase -- issues concerning the traditional concepts of part-time vs. full-time; issues concerning frequency of review of salaries; and we must also look at issues regarding questions such as the high-three. These are all things which are tied up in this very difficult subject, and pay, I believe, is perhaps the last issue that should be discussed after a number of these other issues have been sorted out and discussed fully among ourselves and the public.

"So with that, Mr. President, I appreciate the chance to address this measure and urge my colleagues to vote 'aye.' Thank you."

The motion was put by the Chair and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 162, S.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION DISAPPROVING THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE COMMISSION ON LEGISLATIVE SALARY," was adopted.

Senator Holt rose on a point of personal privilege and said:

"Mr. President, I rise on a point of personal privilege.

"Last week Friday I announced that we had been contacted by the author of the 'Pay at the Pump' bill. I have the letter that I told you he would be sending here. I'm not going to read it all. I think it is self-explanatory that he is supporting our no-fault bill and I will just read one paragraph. He says:

'Your bill is different. It would be real no-fault. It would save the people of Hawaii hundreds of millions of dollars in legal costs and fraud annually and, on balance, provide fair, surer, swifter compensation to those who are hurt -- especially those badly hurt.'

"I just thought I would like to insert this letter into the Journal and distribute it to the members for their information. Thank you."

The Chair so ordered and identified the attachment as Exhibit "I."

At 12:16 o'clock p.m., the Senate stood in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

The Senate reconvened at 12:17 o'clock p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

At 12:18 o'clock p.m., on motion by Senator Ihara, seconded by Senator Liu and carried, the Senate adjourned until 11:30 o'clock a.m., Wednesday, April 5, 1995.

EXHIBIT "I"

ANDREW TOBIAS

April 2, 1995

Senator Milton Holt
Hawaii State Senate
State Office Tower #502
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Via Fax: 808-586-6849

Dear Senator Holt:

I am writing to support you no-fault auto insurance reform.

I am not a lobbyist, I am a writer. I have won the Gerald Loeb Award for Distinguished Financial Journalism and, in 1993, the Consumer Federation of America Media Service Award.

Unlike those who argue against you bill, I have no financial interest in this fight. I have nothing to gain if it passes, nothing to lose if it is defeated. I have no axe to grind. I have simply followed this issue for 25 years and written two books that deal with it.

It is incredibly frustrating tome that time after time, in state after state, the lawyers manage to thwart reform. They say, in effect: "You can't fire us. We are going to take a huge chunk of your auto insurance liability dollars for the rest of time." And they always win, because the lawyers write the laws. Even in states that purport to have no-fault, it is for the most part no-fault in name only -- often the worst of both worlds.

Your bill is different. It would be real no-fault. It would save the people of Hawaii hundreds of millions of dollars in legal costs and fraud annually and, on balance, provide fairer, surer, swifter compensation for those who are hurt -- especially those badly hurt.

Yes, a poor person his by a drunken millionaire would fare worse under no-fault than under the present system. But how often does that happen? For ever case where a seriously injured driver would fare worse under no-fault, there will be ten where the victim fares better. And in the meantime, almost all vehicle owners in your beautiful state will save money.

Over the last three years I have spent \$400,000 of my own funds trying to do something similar for California. I have nothing to gain if we succeed except the extraordinary satisfaction knowing that I will have helped wring billions of dollars of waste and fraud from the economy, and made an inhumane system more humane and efficient.

The bill you have sponsored does exactly that. It is bad for the lawyers, but good for Hawaii. What an example Hawaii's legislature would set for the nation if somehow it were able to put the interest of the people over the interest of the trial attorneys.

Sincerely,

/s/ ANDREW TOBIAS
Andrew Tobias