TWENTY-SECOND DAY

Tuesday, February 20, 1996

The Senate of the Eighteenth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 1996, convened at 11:44 o'clock a.m. with the President in the Chair.

The Divine Blessing was invoked by Pastor Taylor Morris, Waianae Seventh-Day Adventist Church, after which the Roll was called showing all Senators present with the exception of Senators Baker, Fukunaga and Taniguchi who were excused.

The President announced that he had read and approved the Journal of the Twenty-First Day.

HOUSE COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications from the House (Hse. Com. Nos. 38 to 42) were read by the Clerk and were disposed of as follows:

Hse. Com. No. 38, transmitting H.B. No. 2407, which passed Third Reading in the House of Representatives on February 16, 1996, was placed on file.

On motion by Senator Ihara, seconded by Senator Liu and carried, H.B. No. 2407, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO STATUTORY REVISION: AMENDING, REENACTING, OR REPEALING VARIOUS PROVISIONS OF THE HAWAII REVISED STATUTES AND THE SESSION LAWS OF HAWAII FOR THE PURPOSE OF CORRECTING ERRORS AND REFERENCES, CLARIFYING LANGUAGE, AND DELETING OR REPEALING OBSOLETE OR UNNECESSARY PROVISIONS," passed First Reading by title and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Hse. Com. No. 39, transmitting H.B. No. 2517, which passed Third Reading in the House of Representatives on February 16, 1996, was placed on file.

On motion by Senator Ihara, seconded by Senator Liu and carried, H.B. No. 2517, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE PROMOTION OF PROSTITUTION," passed First Reading by title and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Hse. Com. No. 40, transmitting H.B. No. 3552, H.D. 1, which passed Third Reading in the House of Representatives on February 16, 1996, was placed on file.

On motion by Senator Ihara, seconded by Senator Liu and carried, H.B. No. 3552, H.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO GENERAL EXCISE TAXATION," passed First Reading by title and was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 41, transmitting H.B. No. 3636, which passed Third Reading in the House of Representatives on February 16, 1996, was placed on file.

On motion by Senator Ihara, seconded by Senator Liu and carried, H.B. No. 3636, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE JUDICIARY," passed First Reading by title and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Hse. Com. No. 42, transmitting H.B. No. 3822, which passed Third Reading in the House of Representatives on February 16, 1996, was placed on file.

On motion by Senator Ihara, seconded by Senator Liu and carried, H.B. No. 3822, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE STATEWIDE TRAFFIC CODE," passed First Reading by title and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

The following concurrent resolution (S.C.R. No. 25) was read by the Clerk and was referred to committee:

Senate Concurrent Resolution

No. 25 "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE TO EVALUATE ITS CURRENT MILITARY PRESENCE IN OKINAWA AND TO RETURN LAND AND FACILITIES TO THE PREFECTURAL GOVERNMENT."

Offered by: Senators McCartney, Ige.

Referred to: Committee on Transportation and Government Affairs

ORDER OF THE DAY

THIRD READING

S.B. No. 2784:

On motion by Senator Tam, seconded by Senator Aki and carried, S.B. No. 2784, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENTS," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 22. Noes, none. Excused, 3 (Baker, Fukunaga, Taniguchi).

Stand. Com. Rep. 1951 (S.B. No. 675, S.D. 2):

By unanimous consent, action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1951 and S.B. No. 675, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS," was deferred until Wednesday, February 21, 1996.

RE-REFERRAL OF SENATE BILL

The Chair re-referred the following Senate bill that was introduced:

Senate Bill Referred to:

No. 608, S.D. 1 Jointly to the Committee on Planning, Land and Water Use Management and the Committee on Ways and Means

RECONSIDERATION OF ACTIONS TAKEN

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1950 (S.B. No. 662, S.D. 2):

Senator Matsunaga moved that the Senate reconsider its action taken on February 16, 1996, on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1950, seconded by Senator Levin and carried.

Senator Matsunaga then moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1950 be placed on file, and that S.B. No. 662, S.D. 2, be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, seconded by Senator Levin and carried.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1848 (S.B. No. 2029, S.D. 1):

Senator Holt moved that the Senate reconsider its action taken on February 16, 1996, on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1848 and S.B. No. 2029, S.D. 1, seconded by Senator Ikeda.

Senator Holt explained:

"Mr. President, there is a drafting error in the title of the bill."

The motion to reconsider the action was put by the Chair and carried.

The Chair then re-referred S.B. No. 2029 jointly to the Committee on Consumer Protection and the Committee on Ways and Means.

At 11:49 o'clock a.m., the Senate stood in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

The Senate reconvened at 11:56 o'clock a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

At 11:57 o'clock a.m., on motion by Senator Ihara, seconded by Senator Liu and carried, the Senate adjourned until 11:30 o'clock a.m., Wednesday, February 21, 1996.