

FIFTY-SECOND DAY

Tuesday, April 20, 1999

The Senate of the Twentieth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 1999, convened at 11:39 o'clock a.m. with the President in the Chair.

The Divine Blessing was invoked by the Reverend Mark Olmos, Faith Christian Fellowship, after which the Roll was called showing all Senators present with the exception of Senators Iwase, Sakamoto and Tariaka who were excused.

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

At this time, the following introductions were made to the members of the Senate:

Senator Ihara introduced the following members of the Hawaii Pacific University Lady Sea Warriors and congratulated them on becoming the 1998 National College Athletic Association NCAA Division II Volleyball Champions: Kea Wong, Kauai Gandia, Dawn Penebacker, Kealoha Kuhaulua, Darcy Hales, Bree Sodorff and Jiselle Rocha. Accompanying the team members were Tita Ahuna, head coach of the Lady Sea Warriors, and assistant coaches, Damien Hardy and McKenzie Santimer.

Senator Hanabusa congratulated Hale Na'aupono (Waianae Coast Community Mental Health Center) on its national recognition of being awarded the prestigious Managed Behavioral Healthcare Leadership Award at the 1999 National Managed Health Care Congress held in Atlanta, Georgia, and introduced the following individuals: Poka Laenui, executive director; Puanani Burgess, president of the board of directors; Barbie-Lei Burgess, coordinator for the day support program; and Keaulana Holt, resource development director.

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

The Senate reconvened at 11:58 o'clock a.m.

HOUSE COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications from the House (Hse. Com. Nos. 620 to 683) were read by the Clerk and were disposed of as follows:

Hse. Com. No. 620, transmitting H.C.R. No. 4, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 15, 1999, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 4, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO EXPAND AND MAKE PERMANENT THE TEMPORARY VISA WAIVER PROGRAM ESTABLISHED UNDER THE IMMIGRATION CONTROL AND REFORM ACT OF 1986," was referred jointly to the Committee on Transportation and Intergovernmental Affairs and the Committee on Economic Development.

Hse. Com. No. 621, transmitting H.C.R. No. 5, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 15, 1999, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 5, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING ALL INDEPENDENT DIVERSIFIED AGRICULTURE FARMERS TO WORK TOGETHER THROUGH THEIR RESPECTIVE COMMODITY ADVISORY GROUPS TO PROMOTE, MARKET, DISTRIBUTE, AND EXPORT HAWAII-MADE

PRODUCTS AND HAWAII-GROWN CROPS," was referred to the Committee on Economic Development.

Hse. Com. No. 622, transmitting H.C.R. No. 6, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 15, 1999, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 6, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING ALTERNATIVE ACCESS ROUTES TO MAJOR COMMUNITIES CURRENTLY SERVED BY A SINGLE ACCESS ROADWAY," was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Intergovernmental Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 623, transmitting H.C.R. No. 7, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 15, 1999, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 7, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND THE SUPERINTENDENT OF EDUCATION TO RESTRUCTURE THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO ENSURE ACCOUNTABILITY AT ALL LEVELS," was referred to the Committee on Education and Technology, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 624, transmitting H.C.R. No. 8, H.D. 2, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 15, 1999, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 8, H.D. 2, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING HAWAII'S CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION TO OBTAIN ADDITIONAL FEDERAL FUNDS FOR THE EDUCATION OF MILITARY DEPENDENTS," was referred jointly to the Committee on Education and Technology and the Committee on Transportation and Intergovernmental Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 625, transmitting H.C.R. No. 12, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 15, 1999, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 12, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE ON AGING, IN PARTNERSHIP WITH HOSPICE HAWAII, TO EDUCATE HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC ON THE BENEFITS OF HOSPICE," was referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 626, transmitting H.C.R. No. 15, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 15, 1999, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 15, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE UNITED STATES SENATE TO RATIFY THE UNITED NATIONS CONVENTION ON THE ELIMINATION OF ALL FORMS OF DISCRIMINATION AGAINST WOMEN," was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Hse. Com. No. 627, transmitting H.C.R. No. 17, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 15, 1999, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 17, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION EXPRESSING SUPPORT AND ENCOURAGEMENT FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION'S INITIATIVE TO IDENTIFY, PROTECT, AND ENHANCE HAWAII'S HERITAGE

ROADS," was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Intergovernmental Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 628, transmitting H.C.R. No. 18, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 15, 1999, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 18, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO EXPAND FAMILY AND PARENTING CLASSES TRAINING AND GUIDANCE FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS," was referred to the Committee on Education and Technology, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 629, transmitting H.C.R. No. 20, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 15, 1999, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 20, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEVELOPMENT OF INITIATIVES TO FACILITATE THE GROWTH OF HAWAII'S BIOTECHNOLOGY INDUSTRY," was referred jointly to the Committee on Economic Development and the Committee on Education and Technology, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 630, transmitting H.C.R. No. 27, H.D. 2, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 15, 1999, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 27, H.D. 2, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING GREATER AVAILABILITY OF CABLE ACCESS AND ADVANCED TELECOMMUNICATIONS INFRASTRUCTURE IN REMOTE RURAL AREAS," was referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection.

Hse. Com. No. 631, transmitting H.C.R. No. 35, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 15, 1999, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 35, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, THE HAWAII PAROLING AUTHORITY, AND THE JUDICIARY TO EXPLORE AND FUND ALTERNATIVES TO INCARCERATION FOR NONVIOLENT FEMALE OFFENDERS," was referred to the Committee on Judiciary, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 632, transmitting H.C.R. No. 45, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 15, 1999, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 45, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION SUPPORTING APPROVAL OF THE FORD ISLAND DEVELOPMENT PROJECT BY THE U.S. CONGRESS," was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Intergovernmental Affairs.

Hse. Com. No. 633, transmitting H.C.R. No. 47, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 15, 1999, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 47, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE HONOLULU CITY COUNCIL TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 98-226, PROPOSING AMENDMENTS TO CHAPTER 21, REVISED ORDINANCES OF HONOLULU 1990, RELATING TO ZONING OF ADULT ESTABLISHMENTS," was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Intergovernmental Affairs.

Hse. Com. No. 634, transmitting H.C.R. No. 48, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 15, 1999, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 48, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION SUPPORTING VOYAGER SUBMARINES' PROPOSAL TO PLACE TWO DERELICT VESSELS AT ITS OPERATIONS SITE TO CREATE AN ARTIFICIAL REEF," was referred jointly to the Committee on Economic Development and the Committee on Labor and Environment, then to the Committee on Water, Land, and Hawaiian Affairs.

Hse. Com. No. 635, transmitting H.C.R. No. 54, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 15, 1999, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 54, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING A HAWAII STATE LAW ON EMPLOYMENT OF SEVERELY HANDICAPPED PERSONS," was referred jointly to the Committee on Labor and Environment and the Committee on Health and Human Services, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 636, transmitting H.C.R. No. 56, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 15, 1999, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 56, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE UNITED STATES ARMY TO FURTHER INFORM AND INVOLVE THE PUBLIC ON MILITARY AND RELATED ACTIVITIES AT THE MAKUA MILITARY RESERVATION ON OAHU," was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Intergovernmental Affairs.

Hse. Com. No. 637, transmitting H.C.R. No. 60, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 15, 1999, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 60, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY TO USE ALL AVAILABLE INFORMATION TO PROCEED WITH THE SYSTEMATIC IDENTIFICATION OF INMATES CURRENTLY INCARCERATED WHO HAVE DUAL OCCURRING DIAGNOSES OF MENTAL DISORDERS AND ALCOHOL OR SUBSTANCE ABUSE," was referred to the Committee on Judiciary, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 638, transmitting H.C.R. No. 62, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 15, 1999, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 62, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE U.S. CONGRESS TO ENACT LEGISLATION THAT AMENDS THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT TO PROHIBIT THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FROM RECEIVING ANY SHARE OF THE FUNDS AWARDED IN THE TOBACCO SETTLEMENT THAT WAS REACHED IN 1998 BETWEEN THE STATES AND THE TOBACCO INDUSTRY," was referred jointly to the Committee on Judiciary and the Committee on Transportation and Intergovernmental Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 639, transmitting H.C.R. No. 63, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 15, 1999, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 63, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE OFFICE OF YOUTH SERVICES TO REVISE ITS

STRATEGIC PLAN," was referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Hse. Com. No. 640, transmitting H.C.R. No. 65, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 15, 1999, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 65, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE ATTORNEY GENERAL TO CONVENE A WORKING GROUP TO LOOK AT DOMESTIC VIOLENCE POLICIES AND PROCEDURES OF THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM ON OAHU AND IDENTIFY GAPS," was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Hse. Com. No. 641, transmitting H.C.R. No. 66, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 15, 1999, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 66, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS TO CONDUCT A STUDY AND TO TAKE ACTION TO PROHIBIT DISCRIMINATORY PRICING PRACTICES IN THE PROVISION OF SERVICES," was referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 642, transmitting H.C.R. No. 69, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 15, 1999, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 69, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE TO DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT A FRUIT FLY FREE ZONE FOR ELIMINATING THE QUARANTINE BARRIER IMPOSED BY THE FOUR SPECIES OF FRUIT FLIES FOUND IN HAWAII," was referred to the Committee on Economic Development, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 643, transmitting H.C.R. No. 73, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 15, 1999, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 73, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE GOVERNOR TO CONVENE A TASK FORCE TO ESTABLISH CRITERIA BY WHICH ALL STATE DEPARTMENTS AND THEIR ATTACHED AGENCIES SHALL RANK ALL PURCHASES OF SERVICES THAT ARE ISSUED BY THOSE DEPARTMENTS OR AGENCIES," was referred to the Committee on Government Operations and Housing, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 644, transmitting H.C.R. No. 74, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 15, 1999, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 74, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE LEASE OF BOTH FAST AND SUBMERGED LANDS AT KEAUHOU, NORTH KONA, ON THE ISLAND OF HAWAII TO A PRIVATE ENTITY FOR MAINTENANCE PURPOSES," was referred to the Committee on Water, Land, and Hawaiian Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 645, transmitting H.C.R. No. 75, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 15, 1999, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 75, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE HAWAII TOURISM AUTHORITY TO INCLUDE SPORTS

TOURISM IN ITS LONG-RANGE PLAN FOR TOURISM," was referred to the Committee on Economic Development, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 646, transmitting H.C.R. No. 76, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 15, 1999, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 76, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING A COLLABORATIVE PARTNERSHIP TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN WHO HAVE AN OPPORTUNITY TO EAT A NUTRITIOUS BREAKFAST IN THE PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SCHOOLS, PRE-SCHOOLS, AND GROUP CARE," was referred jointly to the Committee on Education and Technology and the Committee on Health and Human Services, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 647, transmitting H.C.R. No. 79, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 15, 1999, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 79, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A JOINT LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ON CHILD AND ADOLESCENT MENTAL HEALTH," was referred jointly to the Committee on Health and Human Services and the Committee on Education and Technology, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 648, transmitting H.C.R. No. 80, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 15, 1999, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 80, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING A COST-BENEFIT ANALYSIS OF PREVENTION AND EARLY INTERVENTION SERVICES," was referred jointly to the Committee on Education and Technology and the Committee on Health and Human Services, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 649, transmitting H.C.R. No. 81, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 15, 1999, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 81, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE CONVENING OF A TASK FORCE TO DETERMINE ALTERNATIVES TO INCARCERATION AND RECOMMEND SYSTEMIC CHANGES FOR THE PROPER TREATMENT OF INDIVIDUALS NEEDING MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES," was referred jointly to the Committee on Judiciary and the Committee on Health and Human Services, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 650, transmitting H.C.R. No. 88, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 15, 1999, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 88, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE COLLEGE OF TROPICAL AGRICULTURE AND HUMAN RESOURCES OF THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII AT MANOA AND THE COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY, AND NATURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT OF THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII AT HILO TO EXPLORE WAYS TO COLLABORATE AND COOPERATE FOR THE BENEFIT OF STATEWIDE AGRICULTURE," was referred to the Committee on Economic Development, then to the Committee on Education and Technology.

Hse. Com. No. 651, transmitting H.C.R. No. 94, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 15, 1999, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 94, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING ALL SCHOOLS IN HAWAII TO INCLUDE MUSIC AS A REGULAR AND INTEGRAL PART OF THEIR CORE CURRICULUM," was referred to the Committee on Education and Technology, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 652, transmitting H.C.R. No. 132, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 15, 1999, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 132, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION STRONGLY SUPPORTING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A CENTER FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AND CULTURAL TOURISM AT THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII AT HILO," was referred jointly to the Committee on Economic Development and the Committee on Education and Technology, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 653, transmitting H.C.R. No. 135, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 15, 1999, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 135, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE OFFICE OF PLANNING TO ESTABLISH WORKING GROUPS ON EACH ISLAND TO IDENTIFY, EXAMINE, AND RESOLVE OUTSTANDING LAND USE ISSUES AND THEIR IMPACT ON THE HAWAIIAN AND NATIVE HAWAIIAN PEOPLES AND THEIR CULTURE," was referred to the Committee on Water, Land, and Hawaiian Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 654, transmitting H.C.R. No. 169, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 15, 1999, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 169, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE USE OF INDIVIDUAL DEVELOPMENT ACCOUNTS," was referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 655, transmitting H.C.R. No. 170, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 15, 1999, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 170, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE AUDITOR TO CONDUCT A STUDY OF MANDATORY HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE," was referred jointly to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection and the Committee on Health and Human Services, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 656, transmitting H.C.R. No. 171, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 15, 1999, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 171, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING A STUDY OF THE IMPACT OF A RELIGIOUS FREEDOM RESTORATION ACT IN HAWAII," was referred to the Committee on Judiciary, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 657, transmitting H.C.R. No. 172, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 15, 1999, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 172, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE OFFICE OF HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS TO STUDY THE

FEASIBILITY OF FUNDING HISTORICAL SIGNAGE FOR THE KING KAMEHAMEHA I STATUE," was referred to the Committee on Water, Land, and Hawaiian Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 658, transmitting H.C.R. No. 178, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 15, 1999, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 178, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE CARING...FOR LIFE FOUNDATION AS THE COORDINATING AGENCY FOR A PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP TO ACT AS A SINGLE ENTITY TO COORDINATE COMPONENTS OF A LONG-TERM CARE SYSTEM," was referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 659, transmitting H.C.R. No. 186, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 15, 1999, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 186, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE VARIOUS STATE DEPARTMENTS AND THE RURAL ECONOMIC TRANSITION ASSISTANCE-HAWAII (RETA-H) TO ASSIST IN THE DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF PROGRAMS AND SERVICES TO ASSIST DISPLACED EMPLOYEES OF PIONEER MILL TO OBTAIN OTHER EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES," was referred jointly to the Committee on Economic Development and the Committee on Labor and Environment, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 660, transmitting H.C.R. No. 190, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 15, 1999, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 190, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO EXTEND ITS SERVICES OF THE NEUROPSYCHOLOGY DEPARTMENT UNTIL APPROPRIATE AND ADEQUATE ALTERNATIVES ARE FOUND," was referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 661, transmitting H.C.R. No. 195, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 15, 1999, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 195, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING HAWAII'S CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION TO OBTAIN INCREASED FEDERAL FUNDING FOR FEDERALLY-MANDATED SPECIAL EDUCATION," was referred jointly to the Committee on Education and Technology and the Committee on Transportation and Intergovernmental Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 662, transmitting H.C.R. No. 196, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 15, 1999, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 196, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE OFFICE OF INFORMATION PRACTICES TO COORDINATE A COMPREHENSIVE ANALYSIS OF CURRENT PROTECTIONS OF THE PRIVACY OF PERSONAL INFORMATION AND TO SUBMIT PROPOSED LEGISLATION TO THE 2000 LEGISLATIVE SESSION," was referred to the Committee on Judiciary, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 663, transmitting H.C.R. No. 201, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 15, 1999, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 201, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTS THE GOVERNOR TO PROMOTE, ENCOURAGE, AND STIMULATE PRIVATE TRANSPORTATION BUSINESSES ENGAGED IN THE TOURISM INDUSTRY," was referred jointly to the Committee on Economic Development and the Committee on Transportation and Intergovernmental Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 664, transmitting H.C.R. No. 203, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 15, 1999, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 203, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS, THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, AND THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO SUPPORT HAWAII'S CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION'S EFFORT TO AMEND THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT," was referred jointly to the Committee on Health and Human Services and the Committee on Transportation and Intergovernmental Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 665, transmitting H.C.R. No. 205, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 15, 1999, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 205, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND TOURISM TO DEVELOP A PLAN TO CULTIVATE AGRICULTURAL CROPS AND PRODUCTS TO PROMOTE THE CONCEPT OF HAWAII AS A HEALTH STATE," was referred to the Committee on Economic Development, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 666, transmitting H.C.R. No. 207, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 15, 1999, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 207, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE DIVISION OF STATE PARKS TO CONDUCT A FEASIBILITY STUDY TO IMPROVE THE POTENTIAL OF KUKANILOKO BIRTHSTONES AS A POTENTIAL CULTURAL TOURISM SITE," was referred to the Committee on Economic Development, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 667, transmitting H.C.R. No. 216, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 15, 1999, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 216, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A TASK FORCE TO DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT A COORDINATED PUBLIC AND PRIVATE SECTOR ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM," was referred to the Committee on Economic Development, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 668, transmitting H.C.R. No. 218, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 15, 1999, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 218, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A TASK FORCE TO DEVELOP A STATEWIDE PROGRAM FOR HAWAII'S SCHOOLS THAT FOCUSES ON STRONG ACADEMIC STANDARDS, ASSESSMENT TESTING, AND ACCOUNTABILITY," was referred to the Committee on Education and Technology, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 669, transmitting H.C.R. No. 219, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 15, 1999, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 219, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS, THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, AND THE SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES TO SUPPORT THE HAWAII CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION'S EFFORT TO AMEND THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT TO INCREASE HAWAII'S FEDERAL MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PERCENTAGE(FMAP)," was referred jointly to the Committee on Health and Human Services and the Committee on Transportation and Intergovernmental Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 670, transmitting H.C.R. No. 220, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 15, 1999, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 220, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE AIRPORT DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND THE DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND FINANCE TO WORK CLOSELY WITH AIR CARRIERS SERVING HAWAII TO DEVELOP STRATEGIES TO EFFECTIVELY REDUCE AIRPORT SYSTEM COSTS TO ACHIEVE LOW AND STABLE AIRPORT LANDING FEES, RATES, AND CHARGES," was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Intergovernmental Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 671, transmitting H.C.R. No. 223, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 15, 1999, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 223, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION (PUC) TO INVESTIGATE, REPORT, AND TAKE ACTION ON THE CIRCUIT COURT ORDER INVALIDATING CERTAIN PUC ORDERS, TELECOMMUNICATIONS SERVICE QUALITY ISSUES, AND THE PROPOSED GTE/BELL ATLANTIC MERGER," was referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 672, transmitting H.C.R. No. 230, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 15, 1999, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 230, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING A STUDY ON THE FEASIBILITY OF REPLACING THE INCOME TAX AND GENERAL EXCISE TAX WITH A NEW RETAIL SALES TAX OR OTHER TAX," was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 673, transmitting H.C.R. No. 232, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 15, 1999, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 232, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES TO ADOPT INFANT AND CHILD CARDIOPULMONARY RESUSCITATION IN THEIR ADMINISTRATIVE RULES GOVERNING LICENSURE AND REGISTRATION OF CHILD CARE PROVIDERS," was referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services, then to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection.

Hse. Com. No. 674, transmitting H.C.R. No. 233, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 15, 1999, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 233, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO STUDY THE IMPACT OF ESTABLISHING A SHORELINE FISHERY MANAGEMENT AREA AT HANAPEPE, KAUAI," was referred to the Committee on Economic Development, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 675, transmitting H.C.R. No. 234, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 15, 1999, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 234, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE KAMEHAMEHA SCHOOLS BERNICE PAUAAHI BISHOP ESTATE TO CONDUCT A FEASIBILITY STUDY ON ESTABLISHING AN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ON THE ISLAND OF KAUAI," was referred to the Committee on Education and Technology, then to the Committee on Water, Land, and Hawaiian Affairs.

Hse. Com. No. 676, transmitting H.C.R. No. 236, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 15, 1999, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 236, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII TO INCREASE EFFORTS TO RECRUIT STUDENTS FROM ASIAN PACIFIC COUNTRIES TO STUDY MEDICINE AT THE JOHN A. BURNS SCHOOL OF MEDICINE AND TO SECURE RESEARCH FUNDS FOR THE JOHN A. BURNS SCHOOL OF MEDICINE," was referred to the Committee on Education and Technology, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 677, transmitting H.C.R. No. 237, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 15, 1999, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 237, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE APPOINTMENT OF A TEMPORARY ADVISORY COMMISSION TO RECOMMEND A NEW FINANCIAL STRUCTURE FOR LOWER EDUCATION THAT IS COORDINATED WITH EDUCATION GOALS," was referred to the Committee on Education and Technology, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 678, transmitting H.C.R. No. 256, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 15, 1999, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 256, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII ENVIRONMENTAL CENTER TO CONVENE AN ADVISORY TASK FORCE TO STUDY THE VARIOUS PROPOSALS INTRODUCED DURING THE REGULAR SESSION OF 1999, TO REMEDY PERCEIVED DEFICIENCIES IN THE REQUIREMENTS AND PROCEDURES OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENTS LAW," was referred to the Committee on Labor and Environment, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 679, transmitting H.C.R. No. 258, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 15, 1999, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 258, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRIAL

RELATIONS TO CONDUCT A STUDY ON DISCRIMINATION BASED ON SEX, RACE, AND NATIONAL ORIGIN WITH REGARD TO WAGES AND OTHER TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT," was referred to the Committee on Labor and Environment, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 680, transmitting H.C.R. No. 259, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 15, 1999, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 259, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE GOAL OF SECURING A 'LIVING WAGE' FOR THE WORKERS IN THE STATE OF HAWAII," was referred to the Committee on Labor and Environment, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 681, transmitting H.C.R. No. 261, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 15, 1999, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 261, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE CONVENING OF A MEETING TO CONSIDER MEANS TO ATTRACT CARBON INVESTMENTS TO MITIGATE GLOBAL WARMING THROUGH SUSTAINABLE FORESTRY IN HAWAII," was referred jointly to the Committee on Economic Development and the Committee on Labor and Environment, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 682, informing the Senate that pursuant to the disagreement of the House to the amendments proposed by the Senate to the following House bills, and the request for a conference on the subject matter of said amendments, the Speaker on April 19, 1999, appointed managers, respectively, on the part of the House for the consideration of said amendments:

H.B. No. 7 (S.D. 1):

Representatives Hiraki, Hamakawa, co-chairmen, Pendleton;

H.B. No. 47, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1):

Representatives Santiago, Menor, co-chairmen, Whalen;

H.B. No. 877, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1):

Representatives Santiago, Ahu Isa, co-chairmen, Marumoto;

H.B. No. 970, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1):

Representatives Santiago, Kawakami, co-chairmen, Marumoto;

H.B. No. 971, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1):

Representatives Santiago, Kawakami, co-chairmen, Marumoto;

H.B. No. 972, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1):

Representatives Santiago, Kawakami, co-chairmen, Marumoto;

H.B. No. 973, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1):

Representatives Santiago, Kawakami, co-chairmen, Marumoto;

H.B. No. 978 (S.D. 1):

Representatives Abinsay, Takamine, co-chairmen, Fox;

H.B. No. 980, H.D. 2 (S.D. 1):

Representatives Abinsay, Saiki, co-chairmen, Marumoto;

H.B. No. 1008 (S.D. 2):

Representatives Santiago, Suzuki, co-chairmen, Marumoto;

H.B. No. 1145 (S.D. 2):

Representatives Santiago, Takamine, co-chairmen, Marumoto;

H.B. No. 1146 (S.D. 2):

Representatives Santiago, Takamine, co-chairmen, Leong;

H.B. No. 1257, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1):

Representatives Santiago, Kawakami, co-chairmen, Fox;

H.B. No. 1616, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1):

Representatives Santiago, Kawakami, co-chairmen, Fox;

H.B. No. 1617, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1):

Representatives Santiago, Kawakami, co-chairmen, Fox;

H.B. No. 1621, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1):

Representatives Santiago, Kawakami, co-chairmen, Fox,

was placed on file.

Hse. Com. No. 683, informing the Senate that the Speaker on April 19, 1999, appointed conferees on the part of the House for the consideration of amendments proposed by the House to the following Senate bills:

S.B. No. 40 (H.D. 2):

Representatives Santiago, Menor, co-chairmen, Whalen;

S.B. No. 970, S.D. 1 (H.D. 1):

Representatives Menor, chairman, Lee, Thielen;

S.B. No. 1132 (H.D. 1):

Representatives Menor, chairman, Garcia, Whalen;

S.B. No. 1134, S.D. 1 (H.D. 1):

Representatives Menor, chairman, Garcia, Whalen;

S.B. No. 1143 (H.D. 1):

Representatives Menor, chairman, Garcia, Whalen,

was placed on file.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Senators Kanno and Taniguchi, for the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1725) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of EIICHI JUMAWAN to the State Boxing Commission of Hawai'i, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 179.

In accordance with Senate Rule 36(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1725 and Gov. Msg. No. 179 was deferred until Wednesday, April 21, 1999.

Senators Kanno and Taniguchi, for the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1726) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations of RANDALL M. HASHIMOTO, JAY I. ISHIBASHI and CAROL S. SAKATA to the Board of

Professional Engineers, Architects, Surveyors, and Landscape Architects, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 219.

In accordance with Senate Rule 36(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1726 and Gov. Msg. No. 219 was deferred until Wednesday, April 21, 1999.

Senators Kanno and Taniguchi, for the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1727) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations of MICHELLE NAKATA, EMY M. YAMAUCHI and LEE YETTA STEIN to the Board of Massage Therapy, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 222.

In accordance with Senate Rule 36(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1727 and Gov. Msg. No. 222 was deferred until Wednesday, April 21, 1999.

Senators Kanno and Taniguchi, for the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1728) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations of W. PHILIP KAU, D.V.M., PATRICK MCGUIGAN and ANN A. OHATA, M.D., to the Radiologic Technology Board, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 240.

In accordance with Senate Rule 36(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1728 and Gov. Msg. No. 240 was deferred until Wednesday, April 21, 1999.

Senators Kanno and Taniguchi, for the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1729) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations of LOWELL T. NAGAUE and LYNN S.H. HIROMOTO to the Board of Public Accountancy, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 255.

In accordance with Senate Rule 36(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1729 and Gov. Msg. No. 255 was deferred until Wednesday, April 21, 1999.

Senators Kanno and Taniguchi, for the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1730) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations of BARBARA M. KOKUBUN and MILTON Y. MIGITA to the State Board of Barbering and Cosmetology, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 256.

In accordance with Senate Rule 36(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1730 and Gov. Msg. No. 256 was deferred until Wednesday, April 21, 1999.

Senators Kanno and Taniguchi, for the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1731) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations of JASON MOON and KENT KOIKE to the Board of Pharmacy, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 261.

In accordance with Senate Rule 36(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1731 and Gov. Msg. No. 261 was deferred until Wednesday, April 21, 1999.

Senators Kanno and Taniguchi, for the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1732) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations of JIM BECKER, STEVE HIRANO, RICKY C. MANAYAN and SCOTT SHIRAI to the Board of Public Broadcasting, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 262.

In accordance with Senate Rule 36(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1732 and Gov. Msg. No. 262 was deferred until Wednesday, April 21, 1999.

Senators Kanno and Taniguchi, for the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1733) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of KATHRYN S. MATAYOSHI as Director of Commerce and Consumer Affairs, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 148.

In accordance with Senate Rule 36(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1733 and Gov. Msg. No. 148 was deferred until Wednesday, April 21, 1999.

Senator Tam, for the Committee on Government Operations and Housing, requested a waiver of the 72-hour Notice of a Public Hearing for S.R. No. 70, and the Chair granted the waiver.

Senator Anderson rose on a point of personal privilege and stated:

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

"Mr. President, I'm so upset that I have to keep reading in the paper what we're doing, what kinds of deals are being made, but what bothers me is that this one here says we're going to raid the \$6 billion retirement fund or \$9 billion retirement fund so that we can help the counties and there's a caveat. It states that we're also going to help repair schools. That's what we should have been doing for 40 years. There's supposed to be money set aside.

"I think what really is interesting though, Mr. President, is when they come out with a proposal such as this with the Governor's picture on the front of it saying how badly it's needed. He has here that he's willing to do the retroactive pay raises. Now it was my understanding in Ways and Means that we were going to take care of that. Now I think that the employees who have gone through the collective bargaining agreement have got to realize that the money that we're talking about in the retirement system is our money -- their's and our's -- that has been there. Those of us that belong to the retirement system need the money there because it will be like social security -- they keep tapping it. And if I read correctly, even the Speaker of the House says this has been the seventh time that we're using this money to bail out counties or to do other things.

"Now, if the Governor calls this civil service reform, I'm sorry. It doesn't even measure up to that.

"In the editorial, Mr. President, it says it's not a permanent cure. We've given permanent cures, not by party, not by House or Senate, but by means of looking at this as a business type of deal. The banks should have been here saying it's a good way to handle the economy if we're going to be able to make loans to people, and we're going to use state lands and we're going to give out 5-year leases, 7-year leases, whatever we might come up with, or if we're going to build cultural parks. We've come out with all kinds of solutions. We've even said the referendum for gambling would help the economy. This is not reform, hitting the retirement system for the people who have already gone through a collective bargaining deal, and we've agreed to pay them in the past. And then they put another caveat that they'll have to agree that they won't ask for another pay raise for two years.

"I think that this is an absolute shame, Mr. President, that we have lowered ourselves to again raiding the funds that we have put aside. If I remember . . . let's see if I can remember the number of people we have within the retirement system -- 90,000 active retired and county workers -- 90,000 -- and seven times we have hit the retirement system. All we're saying here, or the Governor is saying, well they made more money than they were supposed to so we're only going to take a certain percentage. Well, that's a shame, we've earned it.

"And if we can't budget accordingly . . . we're not saying . . . in the beginning we said we don't have to fire people. We have attrition for those who are going to be retiring. We have some departments that are short of people. We have some that have too many. We need a training program. We need to look at what the heck we have. That's reform. That's streamlining. That's making sure we know how we're working.

"No one upstairs is doing their job, and we're being blamed for it. And I think it's a shame that we have to tell the employees that we'll pay you with your money.

"Thank you very much, Mr. President."

At 12:06 o'clock p.m., the Senate stood in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

The Senate reconvened at 12:09 o'clock p.m.

Senator Anderson rose again on a point of information as follows:

"Mr. President, on a point of information, I guess.

"I forgot something when I had a point for personal privilege. In this article today, it also says that the Mayor is very happy that we're willing to help the counties and he's going to need it for the pay raises that he has to pay. However, in yesterday's paper, Councilman Mufi Hanneman, who today says that he's glad that we're going to be forthcoming, said that they budgeted. In yesterday's paper we budgeted that money, 20-point-something million dollars, and the Mayor spent it like it was there on good management and he had saved the dollars. So you know, if we're going to help the counties, they have to be more responsible for what they're doing.

"Now I don't know the Mayor from Maui too well, Mayor Apana, but at least when he raised taxes it was across the board. When we do it here on Oahu, what we do is find out who lives out of state; who owns property that is out of state. They then tax those people so that they don't have to raise across the board for you and me because we vote. And they want to make sure that we vote for them, not against them. That's some of the problems that we have here on this island. We're not being fair to the residents that we are supposed to represent, and as a taxpayer not only to the state but to the county, I resent it. I think it's unfair. I think it's unfair when I live in Waimanalo and have a street -- and we've been there since 1946 -- that's still being argued as to ownership -- city or state. And two years before my dad passed away they finally put in a fire hydrant, and guess what -- the fire department says now we can save your house so your insurance drops.

"Those are the kinds of things that I think we have to look at when we're helping, is to find out what they're going to do for themselves because I think that's what we should be doing. We should be looking at what we have to do and the counties have to be responsible for their own responsibilities and not always say the State should help us that we cannot have the people vote against us. We don't have to raise property tax. We don't have to do the things that we do, other than build new parks.

"Thank you very much, Mr. President."

Senator M. Ige also rose on a point of personal privilege and stated:

"Mr. President, personal privilege, as well.

"Mr. President, I just want to thank Senator Anderson for raising the issue of the pay raises, and of course Senator Fukunaga from WAM to clarify that. It's good to know that those pay raises are included in the Senate financial plan and I think for the public, we all need to know that.

"Thank you."

APPOINTMENT OF CONFEREES

S.B. No. 1089, S.D. 1 (H.D. 1):

The President appointed Senator M. Ige as an additional manager on the part of the Senate at the conference to be held for the consideration of amendments proposed by the House to S.B. No. 1089, S.D. 1.

H.B. No. 718, H.D. 1 (S.D. 2):

The President appointed Senator Kawamoto as an additional manager on the part of the Senate at the conference to be held for the consideration of amendments proposed by the Senate to H.B. No. 718, H.D. 1.

ADJOURNMENT

At 12:13 o'clock p.m., on motion by Senator Chun, seconded by Senator Slom and carried, the Senate adjourned until 11:30 o'clock a.m., Wednesday, April 21, 1999.