

FOURTH DAY

Monday, January 22, 2001

The Senate of the Twenty-First Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2001, convened at 9:32 o'clock a.m. with the President in the Chair.

The Divine Blessing was invoked by the Reverend Alan Urasaki, Aiea Hongwanji Mission, after which the Roll was called showing all Senators present with the exception of Senator Matsunaga who was excused.

The President announced that he had read and approved the Journal of the Third Day.

ORDER OF THE DAY

REFERRAL OF SENATE BILLS

The President made the following committee assignments of bills introduced on Wednesday, January 17, 2001; Thursday, January 18, 2001; and Friday, January 19, 2001:

Senate Bill Referred to:

No. 1 Committee on Tourism and Intergovernmental Affairs, then to the Committee on Judiciary

No. 2 Jointly to the Committee on Tourism and Intergovernmental Affairs and the Committee on Transportation, Military Affairs, and Government Operations, then to the Committee on Judiciary

No. 3 Committee on Transportation, Military Affairs, and Government Operations

No. 4 Jointly to the Committee on Tourism and Intergovernmental Affairs and the Committee on Transportation, Military Affairs, and Government Operations, then to the Committee on Judiciary

No. 5 Jointly to the Committee on Transportation, Military Affairs, and Government Operations and the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Housing, then to the Committee on Judiciary

No. 6 Committee on Health and Human Services, then to the Committee on Judiciary

No. 7 Committee on Health and Human Services, then to the Committee on Judiciary

No. 8 Jointly to the Committee on Water, Land, Energy, and Environment and the Committee on Agriculture, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

No. 9 Jointly to the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Housing and the Committee on Tourism and Intergovernmental Affairs, then to the Committee on Judiciary

No. 10 Jointly to the Committee on Water, Land, Energy, and Environment and the Committee on Agriculture, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

No. 11 Jointly to the Committee on Water, Land, Energy, and Environment and the Committee on Agriculture, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

No. 12 Jointly to the Committee on Water, Land, Energy, and Environment and the Committee on Agriculture, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

No. 13 Committee on Education, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

No. 14 Jointly to the Committee on Transportation, Military Affairs, and Government Operations and the Committee on Judiciary, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

No. 15 Jointly to the Committee on Tourism and Intergovernmental Affairs, the Committee on Transportation, Military Affairs, and Government Operations and the Committee on Judiciary, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

No. 16 Committee on Labor, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

No. 17 Jointly to the Committee on Health and Human Services and the Committee on Education, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

No. 18 Committee on Labor, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

No. 19 Jointly to the Committee on Water, Land, Energy, and Environment and the Committee on Transportation, Military Affairs, and Government Operations

No. 20 Committee on Health and Human Services, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

No. 21 Committee on Agriculture, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

No. 22 Committee on Labor, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

No. 23 Jointly to the Committee on Labor and the Committee on Tourism and Intergovernmental Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

No. 24 Jointly to the Committee on Labor and the Committee on Transportation, Military Affairs, and Government Operations, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

No. 25 Committee on Transportation, Military Affairs, and Government Operations, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

No. 26 Committee on Tourism and Intergovernmental Affairs, then to the Committee on Judiciary

No. 27 Jointly to the Committee on Agriculture and the Committee on Water, Land, Energy, and Environment, then to the Committee on Judiciary

No. 28 Committee on Labor

No. 29 Committee on Health and Human Services, then to the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Housing

- No. 30 Jointly to the Committee on Education and the Committee on Transportation, Military Affairs, and Government Operations, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
- No. 31 Committee on Education, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
- No. 32 Committee on Education, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
- No. 33 Committee on Judiciary, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
- No. 34 Jointly to the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Housing and the Committee on Health and Human Services, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
- No. 35 Committee on Tourism and Intergovernmental Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
- No. 36 Committee on Transportation, Military Affairs, and Government Operations, then to the Committee on Judiciary
- No. 37 Jointly to the Committee on Health and Human Services and the Committee on Education, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
- No. 38 Jointly to the Committee on Water, Land, Energy, and Environment and the Committee on Agriculture, then to the Committee on Judiciary
- No. 39 Jointly to the Committee on Water, Land, Energy, and Environment and the Committee on Agriculture, then to the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Housing
- No. 40 Jointly to the Committee on Agriculture, the Committee on Water, Land, Energy, and Environment and the Committee on Tourism and Intergovernmental Affairs
- No. 41 Committee on Water, Land, Energy, and Environment, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
- No. 42 Committee on Water, Land, Energy, and Environment, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
- No. 43 Jointly to the Committee on Labor and the Committee on Water, Land, Energy, and Environment, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
- No. 44 Jointly to the Committee on Water, Land, Energy, and Environment and the Committee on Tourism and Intergovernmental Affairs
- No. 45 Committee on Agriculture, then to the Committee on Judiciary
- No. 46 Committee on Health and Human Services, then to the Committee on Judiciary
- No. 47 Committee on Health and Human Services, then to the Committee on Judiciary
- No. 48 Jointly to the Committee on Water, Land, Energy, and Environment and the Committee on Agriculture, then to the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Housing
- No. 49 Jointly to the Committee on Health and Human Services and the Committee on Education, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
- No. 50 Committee on Tourism and Intergovernmental Affairs, then to the Committee on Judiciary
- No. 51 Jointly to the Committee on Education and the Committee on Health and Human Services
- No. 52 Jointly to the Committee on Labor and the Committee on Health and Human Services, then to the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Housing
- No. 53 Jointly to the Committee on Health and Human Services and the Committee on Transportation, Military Affairs, and Government Operations, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
- No. 54 Committee on Health and Human Services, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
- No. 55 Committee on Health and Human Services, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
- No. 56 Committee on Health and Human Services, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
- No. 57 Committee on Health and Human Services, then to the Committee on Judiciary
- No. 58 Jointly to the Committee on Labor, the Committee on Tourism and Intergovernmental Affairs and the Committee on Transportation, Military Affairs, and Government Operations
- No. 59 Jointly to the Committee on Labor and the Committee on Tourism and Intergovernmental Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
- No. 60 Jointly to the Committee on Water, Land, Energy, and Environment and the Committee on Economic Development and Technology, then to the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Housing
- No. 61 Committee on Health and Human Services, then to the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Housing
- No. 62 Jointly to the Committee on Health and Human Services and the Committee on Labor
- No. 63 Committee on Health and Human Services, then to the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Housing
- No. 64 Committee on Judiciary
- No. 65 Committee on Health and Human Services, then to the Committee on Judiciary
- No. 66 Committee on Health and Human Services, then to the Committee on Judiciary
- No. 67 Committee on Health and Human Services, then to the Committee on Judiciary
- No. 68 Committee on Judiciary, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

- No. 69 Committee on Judiciary
- No. 70 Committee on Labor, then to the Committee on Judiciary
- No. 71 Jointly to the Committee on Labor, the Committee on Transportation, Military Affairs, and Government Operations and the Committee on Tourism and Intergovernmental Affairs
- No. 72 Jointly to the Committee on Hawaiian Affairs and the Committee on Transportation, Military Affairs, and Government Operations, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
- No. 73 Jointly to the Committee on Tourism and Intergovernmental Affairs and the Committee on Transportation, Military Affairs, and Government Operations, then to the Committee on Judiciary
- No. 74 Jointly to the Committee on Tourism and Intergovernmental Affairs and the Committee on Transportation, Military Affairs, and Government Operations, then to the Committee on Judiciary
- No. 75 Jointly to the Committee on Water, Land, Energy, and Environment and the Committee on Tourism and Intergovernmental Affairs
- No. 76 Committee on Health and Human Services, then to the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Housing
- No. 77 Committee on Health and Human Services, then jointly to the Committee on Judiciary and the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Housing
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- No. 80 Jointly to the Committee on Tourism and Intergovernmental Affairs and the Committee on Transportation, Military Affairs, and Government Operations, then jointly to the Committee on Judiciary and the Committee on Ways and Means
- No. 81 Jointly to the Committee on Health and Human Services and the Committee on Education, then jointly to the Committee on Judiciary and the Committee on Ways and Means
- No. 82 Committee on Health and Human Services, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
- No. 83 Committee on Health and Human Services, then to the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Housing
- No. 84 Committee on Judiciary
- No. 85 Jointly to the Committee on Health and Human Services and the Committee on Tourism and Intergovernmental Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
- No. 86 Jointly to the Committee on Health and Human Services and the Committee on Judiciary, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
- No. 87 Jointly to the Committee on Health and Human Services and the Committee on Education, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
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- No. 93 Committee on Education, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
- No. 94 Committee on Education, then to the Committee on Judiciary
- No. 95 Committee on Education, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
- No. 96 Committee on Labor, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
- No. 97 Committee on Economic Development and Technology, then jointly to the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Housing and the Committee on Judiciary
- No. 98 Jointly to the Committee on Judiciary and the Committee on Ways and Means
- No. 99 Jointly to the Committee on Labor and the Committee on Tourism and Intergovernmental Affairs, then to the Committee on Judiciary
- No. 100 Jointly to the Committee on Economic Development and Technology, the Committee on Transportation, Military Affairs, and Government Operations, the Committee on Education and the Committee on Health and Human Services, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
- No. 101 Jointly to the Committee on Hawaiian Affairs and the Committee on Education, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
- No. 102 Jointly to the Committee on Transportation, Military Affairs, and Government Operations and the Committee on Judiciary, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
- No. 103 Committee on Transportation, Military Affairs, and Government Operations, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

No. 104 Committee on Health and Human Services, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

Senator Avery B. Chumbley
Senator J. Kalani English
Senator Donna Mercado Kim
Senator Rod Tam
Senator Bob Hogue

No. 105 Committee on Hawaiian Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

No. 106 Jointly to the Committee on Tourism and Intergovernmental Affairs, the Committee on Transportation, Military Affairs, and Government Operations and the Committee on Judiciary, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TECHNOLOGY

Senator Rod Tam, Chair
Senator David Ige, Vice Chair
Senator Les Ihara, Jr.
Senator Donna Mercado Kim
Senator Matt Matsunaga
Senator Brian T. Taniguchi
Senator Sam Slom

No. 107 Jointly to the Committee on Hawaiian Affairs and the Committee on Judiciary, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

No. 108 Committee on Hawaiian Affairs, then to the Committee on Judiciary

EDUCATION

Senator Norman Sakamoto, Chair
Senator Avery B. Chumbley, Vice Chair
Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland
Senator J. Kalani English
Senator David Ige
Senator Cal Kawamoto
Senator Matt Matsunaga
Senator Ron Menor
Senator Rod Tam
Senator Bob Hogue

No. 109 Committee on Hawaiian Affairs, then to the Committee on Judiciary

No. 110 Committee on Hawaiian Affairs, then to the Committee on Judiciary

No. 111 Jointly to the Committee on Health and Human Services and the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Housing, then to the Committee on Judiciary

HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS

Senator Jonathan Chun, Chair
Senator Russell S. Kokubun, Vice Chair
Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland
Senator Colleen Hanabusa
Senator Fred Hemmings

No. 112 Committee on Economic Development and Technology, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

No. 113 Jointly to the Committee on Judiciary and the Committee on Ways and Means

The following Senate leadership assignments were announced by Senate President Bunda:

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Senator David M. Matsuura, Chair
Senator Jan Yagi Buen, Vice Chair
Senator J. Kalani English
Senator Carol Fukunaga
Senator Brian Kanno
Senator Russell S. Kokubun
Senator Bob Nakata
Senator Brian T. Taniguchi
Senator Bob Hogue

Majority Leaders:

Senator Jonathan Chun
Senator Cal Kawamoto

Majority Floor Leader:

Senator J. Kalani English

Minority Leader:

Senator Sam Slom

Minority Floor Leader:

Senator Fred Hemmings

Minority Policy Leader

Senator Bob Hogue

JUDICIARY

Senator Brian Kanno, Chair
Senator David M. Matsuura, Vice Chair
Senator Jonathan Chun
Senator Carol Fukunaga
Senator Colleen Hanabusa
Senator Les Ihara, Jr.
Senator Russell S. Kokubun
Senator Bob Nakata
Senator Sam Slom

The President also announced the following standing committees of the Senate, their respective chairs and members:

AGRICULTURE

Senator Jan Yagi Buen, Chair
Senator Jonathan Chun, Vice Chair
Senator Colleen Hanabusa
Senator Cal Kawamoto
Senator Russell S. Kokubun
Senator David M. Matsuura
Senator Bob Hogue

LABOR

Senator Bob Nakata, Chair
Senator Les Ihara, Jr., Vice Chair
Senator Avery B. Chumbley
Senator Colleen Hanabusa
Senator Brian Kanno
Senator Cal Kawamoto
Senator David M. Matsuura
Senator Norman Sakamoto

COMMERCE, CONSUMER PROTECTION AND HOUSING

Senator Ron Menor, Chair
Senator Matt Matsunaga, Vice Chair

Senator Sam Slom

TOURISM AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

Senator Donna Mercado Kim, Chair
 Senator J. Kalani English, Vice Chair
 Senator Jan Yagi Buen
 Senator Lorraine R. Inouye
 Senator Cal Kawamoto
 Senator David M. Matsuura
 Senator Norman Sakamoto
 Senator Sam Slom

TRANSPORTATION, MILITARY AFFAIRS, AND
 GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS

Senator Cal Kawamoto, Chair
 Senator Carol Fukunaga, Vice Chair
 Senator Jan Yagi Buen
 Senator Lorraine R. Inouye
 Senator Brian Kanno
 Senator Ron Menor
 Senator Rod Tam
 Senator Brian T. Taniguchi
 Senator Fred Hemmings

WATER, LAND, ENERGY, AND ENVIRONMENT

Senator Lorraine R. Inouye, Chair
 Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Vice Chair
 Senator Jonathan Chun
 Senator J. Kalani English
 Senator Les Ihara, Jr.
 Senator Russell S. Kokubun
 Senator Matt Matsunaga
 Senator Bob Nakata
 Senator Fred Hemmings

WAYS AND MEANS

Senator Brian T. Taniguchi, Chair
 Senator Colleen Hanabusa, Vice Chair
 Senator Jan Yagi Buen
 Senator Jonathan Chun
 Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland
 Senator J. Kalani English
 Senator David Ige
 Senator Lorraine R. Inouye
 Senator Cal Kawamoto
 Senator Donna Mercado Kim
 Senator Norman Sakamoto
 Senator Rod Tam
 Senator Fred Hemmings

At 9:37 o'clock a.m., on motion by Senator English, seconded by Senator Hemmings and carried, the Senate stood in recess subject to the call of the Chair to meet in Joint Session with the House of Representatives, in accordance with House Concurrent Resolution No. 1, to receive the Governor's State of the State Address.

JOINT SESSION

The Joint Session of the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Twenty-First Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2001, was called to order at 10:00 o'clock a.m. by the Honorable Calvin Say, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

At this time, the Speaker welcomed and introduced the following distinguished guests to the members of the Twenty-First Legislature:

The first Lady of the State of Hawaii, Mrs. Vicky Cayetano. She was presented a lei by Senator Taniguchi;

The Honorable Mazie Hirono, Lieutenant Governor of Hawaii, and Mr. Leighton Oshima. They were presented leis by Representative Brian Schatz and Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland;

The Honorable Ronald T.Y. Moon, Chief Justice, Hawaii Supreme Court. He was presented a lei by Representative Hermina Morita;

The Honorable Neil Abercrombie, United States House of Representatives;

The Honorable James "Kimo" Apana, Mayor of the County of Maui;

The Honorable Jeremy Harris, Mayor of the City and County of Honolulu;

Ms. Haunani Apoliona, Chair, Office of Hawaiian Affairs;

Rear Admiral Joseph J. McClelland, Jr., Commander, U.S. Coast Guard, 14th Coast Guard District;

The Honorable Sheila Watumull, Dean of the Consular Corps in Hawaii;

The Honorable Rolando Gregorio, Consul General of the Philippines;

The Honorable Jiadoo Lee, Consul General of Korea;

The Honorable Hans Strasser, Honorary Consul General of Austria; and

Mr. Benny Agbayani of the New York Mets.

The Speaker then appointed Senators Colleen Hanabusa, Cal Kawamoto and Sam Slom, on behalf of the Senate, and Representatives Sylvia Luke, Marcus Oshiro and Galen Fox, on behalf of the House of Representatives, to escort the Honorable Benjamin J. Cayetano, Governor of the State of Hawaii, to the rostrum.

Senator Lorraine Inouye and Representative Bertha Kawakami presented Governor Cayetano with maile and ilima leis.

The Speaker then presented to the members of the Twenty-First Legislature and guests the Honorable Benjamin J. Cayetano, Governor of the State of Hawaii.

The Governor addressed the Joint Session as follows:

"Mr. Speaker, Mr. President, members of the Senate, members of the House, Mayor Apana, Mayor Harris, Council Chairs, members of the Consular Corps, members of our military, distinguished guests, my fellow citizens:

"This morning it is my privilege to make my seventh address on the State of the State.

"I want to thank the people of Hawaii for giving me the honor of leading our beloved State into the Next Century.

"I thank my wife, Vicky, our children, our families, our friends, my cabinet members, and supporters who have helped to make this day possible.

"I congratulate all of you – those of you who were recently successful in your elections. For those for whom this is the very first time, our people have given you a great privilege, a great honor, an experience given to only a lucky few.

"By all accounts, the year 2000 was a great year for our State. There were many stories of individual successes: Angela Baraquo crowned Miss America; Leslie Lam Mrs. America; Brian Vilorio representing Hawaii in the Olympics.

"One of the most notable, of course, was Benny Agbayani. Mr. Speaker, you stole my thunder by introducing him early. (Laughter.) But he deserves a second introduction because we all know that Benny overcame adversity early in the season and he went on to win a starting role with the New York Mets, and he was instrumental in getting the Mets into the World Series. He inspired us, he inspired me, and he made Hawaii proud.

"He is with us this morning and I want to reintroduce him again. Ladies and Gentlemen, members of the Legislature, join me in welcoming the Come Back Kid, Benny Agbayani. (Mr. Agbayani rose to be recognized.)

"Benny, are you thinking of running for anything? (Laughter.)

"I was also pleasantly surprised this morning because I saw four of my former cabinet members here and I'd like to introduce them, with your indulgence. Larry Miike, former Director of the Department of Health. (Dr. Miike rose to be recognized.) I'm not sure if Larry is wearing his shoes or not. That's the way he was when he was at the Department. Lorraine Akiba, formerly the Director of the Department of Labor. (Ms. Akiba also rose to be recognized.) Someone who really did a good job under difficult circumstances with the Department of Land and Natural Resources, former Director Tim Johns. (Mr. Johns rose to be recognized.) I'm really honored this morning that she came; she's been a good public servant, ladies and gentlemen, the former Attorney General of this State, Margery Bronster. (Ms. Bronster rose to be recognized.) Marge caught me unaware and was in on this. I'm really glad that she's here.

"Out of respect for the limits of your endurance for long speeches, and State of the States are usually long, I have prepared a booklet which gives more details of my agenda for the next two years. This will be made available to you, of course after I speak.

"Last year, was a great year for our State.

"The State government finished the year in sound fiscal condition. State bond ratings were upgraded and we were given high marks by national organizations for our fiscal practices.

"The State's economy, which started to recover in late 1998 through 1999, is now expanding. And the signs of positive economic growth are convincing.

"In 1995, our unemployment rate was 5.9 percent. Today, it is down to 3.7 percent – the lowest since 1992 – and well below the national average of 4 percent.

"In 2000, the Real Gross State Product increased by 3 percent – the strongest growth in a decade. And this year, personal income will show a 5 percent growth – the largest increase since 1992.

"For 2001, we expect a 2 percent growth in jobs or 10,000 new jobs – the fastest growth rate since 1991.

"Tourism is up. Private construction is up. Auto sales continued at record levels for the second consecutive year. Real estate sales are up. Consumer confidence is up.

"Hawaii's economy is back, expanding, stronger, and more diverse than ever in the past decade.

"Our challenge is to keep the momentum going, to develop a strong, sustainable, and diverse economy, and to do it without destroying our beautiful environment and compromising our core values.

"The importance of a strong economy cannot be overstated. The past eight years of economic stagnation has taught us that a weak economy impairs the State's ability to provide services to the poor, the needy, and the disabled.

"That is the reality and simple truth.

"The current slowdown in the U.S. economy, the lingering recession in Japan, the rise of oil prices make it imperative that we continue to restructure our economy, reform our State government, and invest in our economic future.

"Some of our past investments are paying off.

"Tourism had a record year last year, and this year it might be even better.

"One reason is our three-year old, state-of-the-art, \$300 million Hawaii Convention Center, one of the most beautiful in the world, and it is already drawing repeat conventions.

"Another is the \$60 million we give the Hawaii Tourism Authority to market Hawaii each year.

"Last year, nearly 7 million tourists came to Hawaii and they spent nearly 10 percent more than they did in 1999, reversing a three-year decline in expenditures.

"This year, we will focus a bit on expanding our cruise line industry.

"In 1998, the total impact of the cruise industry in Hawaii was about \$304 million. In four years, we expect it to skyrocket to 1.4 billion dollars!

"Cruise lines are a very important part of Hawaii's tourist industry, especially for places such as Hilo and Kauai, which have not shared fully in our economic expansion.

"Therefore, I will submit to you a request for funding to improve docking and pier facilities with priority for Hilo and Nawiliwili harbors.

"I am pleased to report that our efforts to position Hawaii as an international meeting place – a 'Geneva of the Pacific' – is making great progress.

"The Pacific Basin Economic Council meeting last year was such a big success that the group – made up of 1,100 corporations from more than 20 countries – will return again in 2002, 2003, and 2004.

"Getting PBEC was a home run. But this year, Hawaii will score again when we host the prestigious Asian Development Bank meeting in May.

"Finance ministers from 60-member nations, CEOs and presidents from the world's top banks and financial institutions,

along with hundreds of foreign and American news people, will be here.

“And because it is ADB’s custom for the President of the host country to address its members, we may even get to see President Bush here in May.

“These international meetings go a long way towards convincing people that Hawaii is a good place to do serious business. But we need to do more.

“For more than 50 years, our tourist industry has successfully marketed Hawaii as a place of leisure, of fun, sun, and surf. As a result, Hawaii has been repeatedly ranked as one of the world’s top tourist destinations.

“To sell Hawaii as a good place to do business, we need to change our marketing strategy.

“Therefore, I will submit legislation for your consideration to require the HTA to use one-third of its marketing fund to promote Hawaii as a business destination.

“The challenge to maintain and improve Hawaii’s standing as a world-class tourist destination never ends. We must keep an eye on our competition and make the changes necessary to keep our competitive edge.

“Survey after survey on Hawaii tourism reach the same conclusion: To compete, to meet the challenges of global competition, Hawaii must provide a greater diversity of exciting and interesting experiences for our visitors.

“In response, we have included in our budget request appropriations to develop more diverse experiences and to improve Hawaii’s parks, marine and wilderness areas.

“For Waikiki, I have requested funding to build our proposed new Visitor Center at the old Canon Club at Diamond Head, and to evaluate the feasibility of an urban park at the site of the Ala Wai Golf Course.

“And we have developed a vision for Kakaako.

“Kakaako is the last large parcel of undeveloped state-owned land in urban Honolulu. Its central location is perfect for a development that will serve residents and visitors alike.

“The State has been trying to develop Kakaako for more than 30 years. It’s poured hundreds of millions of dollars into building infrastructure mostly on the mauka side of Ala Moana Boulevard.

“The State made huge investments in Kakaako and private land values have gone up, but little in the way of development has happened.

“When I took office in 1994, we decided to focus on developing state-owned land, mostly on the makai side of Kakaako.

“I see Kakaako, and I call it Kakaako Makai, as a gathering place for residents and visitors alike – a place to work, to play, to teach and to do research.

“We propose that the state invest in developing a complex of attractions designed to highlight Hawaii’s historical and cultural history and its science and technological achievements.

“First, we propose a world-class aquarium. Second, a science and technology center. We believe that both will

compliment the existing Children’s Discovery Center, and the University of Hawaii’s Pacific Biomedical Research Center located out there at the point.

“We believe that our proposed aquarium will be to Hawaii what Baltimore’s famous National Aquarium has been to Baltimore. Back in the 1970s, Baltimore’s political leaders had the vision and courage to boldly step forward and give their Baltimore the national icon it needed.

“Today, the aquarium is Baltimore’s top attraction, generating nearly \$200 million in revenue each year. It’s educational partnerships and programs service more than 200,000 children annually.

“The second part of the complex is a proposed science and technology center, which will showcase Hawaii’s strengths in astronomy, ocean marine sciences, biotechnology and volcanology.

“A few weeks ago, we took a big step forward in making this project a reality when the Bishop Museum Board decided to relocate their proposed Science and Technology Center to Kakaako.

“This is a win for Bishop Museum, which you designated last year as a state museum, because Kakaako is a far superior site for their science center than Kalihi. And it is a win for the State because the Bishop Museum’s plan fits perfectly in our vision for Kakaako Makai.

“In each case, the State is working in partnership with the private sector. On the proposed aquarium, a private 501-C nonprofit foundation was formed. The task force, headed by Walter Dods of First Hawaiian Bank, is comprised of leaders from the University, business, labor and community groups reflecting all groups – political and social.

“The task force has pledged to raise \$20 million in private funds to augment the State’s investment of \$50 million – \$ 20 million of which will come from revenue bonds.

“The fact that a group of respected private citizens are prepared to raise \$20 million for the aquarium is truly remarkable. I know of no other state project for which such a large commitment was ever made.

“Whether it is civil service reform, economic development, or education, the people of our State expect and deserve bold action from their political leaders. But nothing big will ever be done if we think small.

“I believe we have an opportunity in Kakaako to do something bold, something which will redefine the character of our waterfront. And after emerging from eight years of economic stagnation, I think the time is right.

“If we work in partnership with the private sector, with business, with labor and the community, I believe Kakaako can become – as one of our daily newspapers put it – a ‘grand statement . . . a masterpiece of design that will instantly become a worldwide symbol of Honolulu’s rebirth.’

“Our greatest asset in marketing Hawaii to the world is our breathtaking natural environment.

“Limited resources, however, cannot support unlimited growth. And economic growth should never come at the expense of our natural environment.

“With your approval, I propose a long-range study of our State’s carrying capacity to help evaluate our State’s ability to endure growth.

“I have asked Dr. Seiji Naya of DBEDT to head this project. We will look at whether the State’s infrastructure and our natural resources can survive such growth without being damaged.

“The results of this analysis will be used to create a strategic plan to make sure we balance our economic interests in maintaining tourism with our duty to protect our natural environment.

“For years, our State parks have served our needs. They have become a haven for our people to take a break from their busy lives to enjoy the outdoors.

“Well, because of the economic downturn over the years, our parks system needs more attention now more than ever. We must repair worn facilities, upgrade older ones, and otherwise beautify these parks.

“I propose spending \$22 million in capital improvements to repair and maintain our State parks.

“For the long-term care of our parks, I am proposing that half the money from the hotel room tax that does not go for marketing be used to improve and protect our State parks system.

“Every day, I am thankful that I live in the most beautiful place on earth. Over the years, so much of it has changed. Where there were once overgrown kiawe trees, now there are hotels, and where there were once cane fields, now there are homes and businesses.

“But there are still a few places left in Hawaii where native plants grow wild and undisturbed. The State has been slowly acquiring some of the most treasured pieces so that we can keep these places wild.

“We acquired the historic compound south of Kona that once served as the residence of a chiefess of Hawaii.

“On Maui, we got the famous – or infamous – road to Hana designated as one of the nation’s ‘Millennium Legacy Trails.’

“With your help we bought the spectacular Ka Iwi Coastline here on Oahu.

“On Kauai, we have ended a 20-year controversy by banning commercial motorized boating on the beautiful Hanalei River.

“And just this month, we acquired beautiful Lumahai Beach, made famous in the movie ‘South Pacific.’ We will do more.

“In my first State of the State address six years ago, I shared with you my belief that Hawaii’s potential for economic diversification was promising in three areas: high technology, healthcare and biotechnology.

“There were some skeptics who thought Hawaii had no chance for success in developing a meaningful and viable high technology industry.

“Well, they were wrong. The number of high technology companies in Hawaii has nearly tripled in just five years.

“Last year when you passed Act 297, and the year before, Act 178, you gave Hawaii’s high tech companies some of the best incentives in the nation.

“This Session we will propose additional changes to these laws to give greater incentives, which will make Hawaii more attractive to high tech businesses.

“We have already attracted a number of impressive high tech companies, and I am pleased that they have recruited many of Hawaii’s best and brightest to come home.

“Last Wednesday, one of the speakers lamented the brain drain of Hawaii’s best and brightest to the Mainland. I share their concern. In fact, many are forced to leave Hawaii because of the lack of opportunities. Well, we are bringing them home.

“This morning, we invited a few of them to be here this morning, but when word got around, a whole bunch showed up. They come from about a dozen of Hawaii’s high tech companies. They came home because they found good paying, challenging high tech jobs, and because, like you and me, they love Hawaii.

“They are an energetic and dynamic group. They’re organized and will help spread the word to other Hawaii residents on the mainland about the opportunities in Hawaii’s growing high tech industry.

“Mark my words, I believe these young professionals and entrepreneurs, Hawaii’s best and brightest, will be a vibrant and dynamic force in building Hawaii’s high tech industry.

“Members of the Legislature, please join me in welcoming Hawaii’s best and brightest home. Welcome home! (The men and women representing the high tech industry rose to be recognized.)

“Nothing, and I’ve said this many times in my speeches, is more important than the education of our children.

“That’s why we spared the Department of Education’s budget, while cutting every other department.

“Over the past six years, we made education our highest priority. We increased teacher salaries, extended the school year by seven days, and built a record number of new schools and classrooms.

“This year, I ask you to approve my request for \$290 million for school capital improvements – \$90 million for the construction of new schools and classrooms, \$100 million for repair and maintenance, and an additional \$100 million to renovate our older schools and bring them up to par with the new schools. In all, \$290 million – or 29 percent of our proposed \$1 billion capital improvement request.

“Mr. President, if you would like to add another \$100 million to that total, we will support you.

“In addition, I propose spending \$21 million to buy 18,000 new computers for our public schools. This will bring down the ratio of students to computers from 6:1 to 4:1.

“Hawaii’s children must learn to use this technology because it will open doors of learning and knowledge ordinarily not available to them. It will help teach them the skills of critical thinking. It will allow them to learn from student counterparts around the world. And it will help them discover and experience the exciting world of the Internet. Please support our request for these computers.

“When our students are given the proper tools, they can compete against anyone. Members of the Legislature, I would like to introduce to you a group of students from Kapolei Elementary School who have made all of us proud of our public schools.

“These six children competed in a national computer competition called ThinkQuest Junior. They walked off with the top simulation award in the nation with their interactive site entitled, ‘Values: Making Choices for Life’ – a quote that I used last year in my State of the State.

“They are here in the gallery today with their Kapolei Elementary School technology coordinator Michael O’Connor. I want them to stand. Mike will you and the kids stand, please. (Mr. O’Connor and his students rose to be recognized.) I realize they went head to head with the rest of the country and they came up number one. Congratulations.

“When I had the honor of serving as your Lieutenant Governor, we created the ‘A-Plus’ after-school program. For nearly 12 years now, ‘A-Plus’ has been providing quality after school care to thousands of elementary, latchkey children.

“More critical than ‘A-Plus,’ however, is the need for quality preschool care. For three and four year olds, this service has been lacking. Learning, after all, has its greatest impact during a child’s formative years. This is why preschool is so important to a child’s development.

“When our Administration began in 1994, less than 1,000 of about 16,400 needy three- and four-year-old children in Hawaii had access to preschool.

“By working in partnerships with the Good Beginnings Alliance, Head Start and other private preschool providers like Kamehameha Schools, the State successfully placed 8,400 of these children in a preschool program.

“We now propose a universal access preschool program for all needy children. No general funds are needed. Under the direction of Susan Chandler, we advocated resources that would be used for other things. Instead, we will utilize federal, private, and other funding to give preschool access to the remaining 8,000 children by the year 2004.

“I consider this program one of the Administration’s high priorities; we call this ‘Pre-Plus.’ I have asked the Lt. Governor to head it. I ask for your support in bringing universal preschool to all of our needy children.

“The University of Hawaii is not just a place of higher learning; it is also a driving force for the economic development of this State. That is why I propose that we support Dr. Cadman’s vision for a brand new, world-class medical school in Kakaako Makai.

“The new medical school will be the foundation of Hawaii’s healthcare and biotechnology industries. At \$141 million for the first phase, it will not come cheap. But it will help develop a biotech industry that has the potential to bring more than 50-million new dollars into the State each year, and I ask you to support Dr. Cadman’s vision in Kakaako Makai. In fact, he’s up there; he came unannounced. Doctor, will you please stand. (Dr. Cadman rose to be recognized.)

“Last year, you supported my proposal to give an extra \$1 million to four specific schools at the University: engineering, international business, medicine, and, at the Community College, high technology training.

“I am pleased to report to you that these schools, headed by entrepreneurial and innovative deans, have produced some outstanding results. For example, the School of Business leveraged its \$1 million by four times to expand its School of E-commerce.

“These disciplines are important to our efforts to develop a skilled workforce for high tech, healthcare, and biotech.

“I ask you again to support our request for \$1 million to each of these programs. But, this year, I am also asking for an additional \$1 million to boost the University’s Department of Information and Computer Science program – critical, I think, to the development of high tech here.

“Nothing is more important than access to education whether it be lower or higher education. That has always been important to me. I am a person who had to go away to just get into a junior college in California. But California at that time had access to everyone. Today, we have access, but I want to go a step further and I want to share with you my plan to give Hawaii’s high school graduates greater access to higher education in the University of Hawaii system.

“I propose establishing a scholarship program, which would pay the full tuition of any public or private high school graduate with a ‘B’ average who is admitted to a school in the University of Hawaii system.

“I propose that the \$175 million now sitting in the Hurricane Relief Fund be deposited into the State’s Rainy Day Fund, and that the interest earned on that combined deposit be put into a scholarship fund that we will call the Hawaii New Century Scholarship.

“This is not a new idea. It is patterned after Georgia’s immensely popular Hope Scholarship program. That program is supported by a state lottery. We can do ours without a state lottery. All we need is bold and innovative thinking. I ask for your support on this project.

“I am pleased to report to you that the purchase of the Hemmeter building was completed in December. The State Foundation on Culture and Arts will begin planning for its new home.

“This purchase makes real a vision developed more than 30 years ago. When Governor John A. Burns established the State Foundation, the concept was to create an art museum – an art museum without walls.

“But even Governor Burns himself knew and believed that the State Foundation would need a permanent home. So Governor Burns and Mayor Neal Blaisdell, the Republican Mayor of Honolulu at that time, put together a search committee to find that home. And they did.

“The committee recommended the old YMCA building, and isn’t it amazing how it would come full circle because that building is the Hemmeter Building which we just bought in December. John Burns’ vision is now a reality.

“I say this to you, isn’t it amazing what great things can be done when partisanship is set aside and political leaders work together.

“Last year, we had an agenda to modernize state government. While some progress was made, much more remains to be done. Therefore, we will renew our efforts to reform civil service and restructure government.

“We will propose to revise the criteria used by fact-finding panels and arbitrators in making awards to require arbitrators to consider the State’s entire fiscal condition including healthcare costs.

“We will continue to follow a policy of agreeing to collective bargaining agreements that increase the efficiency and productivity of government workers.

“We will propose legislation which will give the state the right to privatize and curb overtime abuse. These reforms are long overdue. You have seen them for the last six years of my Administration. If you are not going to pass them, tell me in advance so we don’t go through the trouble, but I want you this year to give it a shot, and let’s make it happen this year. Let’s reform civil service and let’s restructure the State government.

“During the past year, the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands continued its unprecedented pace of building homesteads and returning Hawaiians to the land.

“During this Administration, more homesteads will be completed than at any other time in the 80-year history of the program.

“And, by the end of our Administration, we will have secured the resources and completed the planning to allow the next Governor to match our eight-year production in just four years!

“In this coming year we will do the following:

We will welcome kupuna into the first ever Hawaiian Homes Kupuna project, a partnership with OHA. I want to thank Haunani Apoliona and OHA for that partnership. It’s going to produce great results;

We will hand over keys to Hawaiian families entering the first ever rent-to-own project on Hawaiian Home Lands;

We will complete the first ever multi-family development project at Kalawahine on Oahu; and

We will break ground on the first-ever Hawaiian Home Lands community on the island of Lanai.

“What a great job Ray Soon and the Hawaiian Homes Commissioners have done! I want to acknowledge Ray. He didn’t know I was going to do this. Ray, stand up and take a bow for the Department. (Mr. Soon rose to be recognized.)

“Clouding the good work of the Department, however, is the recently filed lawsuit – Barrett vs. State of Hawaii – which challenges the constitutionality of OHA and the Department.

“It is a broadside attack on Hawaiian programs and on our State Constitution.

“I believe that OHA, established under the State Constitution and approved by the people of this State, Hawaiian and Hawaiian-at-heart, and the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands, established by Congress 80 years ago, will withstand this attack.

“And I pledge that I will use every authority vested in me as your Governor, every resource available to my Administration to successfully defend and protect the rights of native Hawaiians.

“I know that there are those with legislation pending which would put on the table a bill to merge OHA and the Department. At this time I would urge caution because I think that under other conditions this might be a very good idea, but it places OHA and the Department at greater risk because each entity has different legal origins. I would ask that this bill be withdrawn because I will not support it.

“In recent years, I was forced to cut services to the most vulnerable among us. This, while we cut taxes to get the economy going again, paid for arbitrated pay raises, and spared the Department of Education from any budget cuts at all.

“We tried to avoid cutting these services. We left no stone unturned to find additional revenues. We raided special funds, implemented the payroll lag, froze hiring, eliminated positions, but in the end, state programs for the poor, needy, the disabled – the weakest among our citizens – suffered.

“Well, now that the economy has rebounded, this Administration’s highest priority is to restore and, where appropriate, expand social services.

“We’ve done much to improve the efficiency of the programs that provide people’s most basic needs, such as food and shelter.

“Our welfare reforms have received national recognition. Recently, the State received a \$5 million cash bonus from the federal government for being a leader in welfare reform. We lead the nation in getting more people on welfare working again, earning more and getting off the welfare rolls.

“But we must do more.

“Since 1992, the homeless population has decreased by 40 percent. And we assisted in developing 4,500 affordable rental-housing units – a record for any Administration.

“But the need is still there and we must and we will do more.

“One-third of all of our federally assisted public housing are located in the neighborhood where I was born – Kalihi-Palama. These units are old and in dire need of improvements.

“That’s why I am proposing a \$10 million appropriation to supplement federal funding that will revitalize the Kuhio Park Terrace and Kuhio Homes.

“The people in our public housing programs deserve this, and I ask for your support!

“Caring for our disabled and elderly is a huge problem for many families. I, personally, have known the struggles of trying to care for an elderly parent at home. Therefore, I will request from you a modest \$2 million in funding to expand our Kupuna Care and Nursing Home Without Walls programs. Please support this request. It is just a modest request to help our senior citizens.

“Last year, I asked you to increase the minimum wage. Our bill was bottled up in committee and died. There are many of you good people here this morning and I again will submit a new bill and ask you to increase the minimum wage.

“I was heartened last week to hear the Speaker support increasing the minimum wage. An increase will uplift the lives of more than 16,000 of Hawaii’s workers. If we want more people to get off welfare and back into the workforce, let’s make sure they get paid a decent wage, and let’s do it this year.

“Drug abuse is a problem which has devastated the lives of millions of people and their families. It is the major force that drives crime. It permeates society, affecting people from all walks of life, regardless of race, sex, age and social status.

“For decades now, the federal, state and county governments have waged a ‘war against drugs,’ relying mainly on law enforcement and punishment to deter illegal drug use. And the politicians have taken advantage of this situation.

“Last year, the voters in California stunned political experts by approving Proposition 36, which declares drug abuse a health problem and mandates treatment for first and second time non-violent drug offenders.

“Despite opposition by virtually all of the state’s law enforcement community, most of the judges, and some health care groups, Proposition 36 was approved by 61 percent of the California voters.

“Proposition 36 signals a shift in philosophy that’s beginning to sweep the nation. California, which has more than 200,000 inmates in state, county and local jails, is expected to save the State alone, more than \$200 million in incarceration costs and \$550 million in capital costs for a new prison.

“California has built ten times the number of prisons than they have colleges. California followed the lead of Arizona, which in 1996 approved a similar law. The latest studies from Arizona indicate the Arizona experience has achieved a 61 percent success rate.

“It’s time for us to make a shift in policy here in Hawaii. Therefore, I will submit legislation that will mandate treatment instead of punishment for non-violent, first-time offenders.

“To give the State time to take an inventory of available drug treatment programs and to establish ‘best practices’ standards to assure high quality, effective programs, I propose that the bill go into effect on July 1, 2002. We have requested funding for this in our budget.

“This is a major departure from our current philosophy of treating drug offenders. I ask for your most thoughtful deliberation and support because I know that this will be very, very controversial as you hear the bill.

“Let me conclude with these words. Over the past few years and over the next few months, you will be faced with making difficult decisions.

“I urge each and every one of you to remember that those to whom government has the greatest duty to serve – the poor, the needy, the disabled – are those who cannot always provide for themselves. That is the core function of our government.

“After 26 years in public office, I am familiar with having to make tough decisions. I have always let my conscience be my guide, regardless of the political consequences.

“Making sure this State prospers in the twenty-first century, making sure that the quality of life improves, and making sure that we take care of those who need our services will require strong leadership and cooperation from all of us. It is my hope that we can work together to do what is right for the people of Hawaii.

“The people of Hawaii deserve bold leadership – let us give it to them and guide our beloved Hawaii to even greater heights!

“Thank you very much. Aloha!”

Senate President Robert Bunda then rose and stated:

“I am confident that we will do our best to work with you, Governor, to make your dreams of a better Hawaii our dreams of a better Hawaii, and to make your vision of the twenty-first century the road map we use to find our way there. Some may propose different ways to get there but I have no doubt that we all agree on where we want to end up – a state that can boast a high quality of life for all of its residents, a state that will look back on your term of office as visionary yet practical, as progressive yet compassionate, and most of all, a time of responsible leadership.

“If there is no further business, I declare this Joint Session adjourned.”

At 10:54 o’clock a.m., President Bunda declared the Joint Session adjourned.

INTRODUCTION OF SENATE BILLS

On motion by Senator English, seconded by Senator Hemmings and carried unanimously, the Clerk was authorized to receive bills for introduction prior to 6:00 o’clock p.m. In consequence thereof, the following bills passed First Reading by title and were deferred:

Senate Bill

No. 808 “A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COMPUTERS.”

Introduced by: Senator Chun.

No. 809 “A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO RIGHTS OF PARENTS AND GUARDIANS.”

Introduced by: Senator Chun.

No. 810 “A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING ASSESSMENT.”

Introduced by: Senators Nakata, Buen.

No. 811 “A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MARINE ENFORCEMENT.”

Introduced by: Senator Inouye.

No. 812 “A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATED TO SPECIAL WASTES RECYCLING.”

Introduced by: Senators Inouye, Tam, Slom, Ihara, Hanabusa, Kawamoto.

No. 813 “A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO REPORTS.”

Introduced by: Senators Fukunaga, Ihara.

No. 814 “A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO WATER POLLUTION.”

Introduced by: Senator Fukunaga.

No. 815 “A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS.”

Introduced by: Senator Fukunaga.

No. 816 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HIGHER EDUCATION."

Introduced by: Senator Kokubun.

No. 817 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO INVASIVE PLANT AND ANIMAL SPECIES."

Introduced by: Senator Kokubun.

No. 818 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION."

Introduced by: Senators Sakamoto, Hogue, Tam, Kawamoto, Ige, Chumbley, English, Matsunaga, Chun Oakland.

No. 819 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE FINANCIAL STRUCTURE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION."

Introduced by: Senators Sakamoto, Hogue, Tam, Ige, Kawamoto, English, Chumbley, Matsunaga, Chun Oakland.

No. 820 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION."

Introduced by: Senators Sakamoto, Hogue, Tam, Ige, Kawamoto, English, Chumbley, Matsunaga, Chun Oakland.

No. 821 "A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR LAPTOPS FOR LEARNING."

Introduced by: Senators Sakamoto, Hogue, Tam, Ige, English, Matsunaga, Chumbley, Chun Oakland.

No. 822 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SCHOOLS-WITHIN-SCHOOLS."

Introduced by: Senators Sakamoto, Hogue, Tam, Ige, Kawamoto, English, Chumbley, Matsunaga, Chun Oakland.

No. 823 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATED TO LIMITED LIABILITY."

Introduced by: Senator Matsuura.

No. 824 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ADMINISTRATIVE RULE COMPLIANCE."

Introduced by: Senator Matsuura.

No. 825 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MENTAL HEALTH AND ALCOHOL AND DRUG ABUSE TREATMENT INSURANCE BENEFITS."

Introduced by: Senator Matsuura.

No. 826 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SPORTS AND RECREATIONAL ACTIVITY LIABILITY."

Introduced by: Senators Matsuura, Kim.

No. 827 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING VEHICLE SAFETY INSPECTIONS."

Introduced by: Senator Bunda.

No. 828 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO USED MOTOR VEHICLE TIRES."

Introduced by: Senator Bunda.

No. 829 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO GASOLINE DEALERS."

Introduced by: Senator Bunda.

No. 830 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO OFFICE OF YOUTH SERVICES."

Introduced by: Senator Bunda.

No. 831 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO OFFICE OF YOUTH SERVICES."

Introduced by: Senator Bunda.

No. 832 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS."

Introduced by: Senators Ihara, Ige, Inouye, Fukunaga, Chun Oakland.

No. 833 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTION CAMPAIGN FUNDRAISING."

Introduced by: Senators Ihara, Ige, Inouye, Fukunaga, Chun Oakland.

No. 834 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HAWAII ELECTION CAMPAIGN FUND."

Introduced by: Senators Ihara, Ige, Inouye, Fukunaga, English, Chun Oakland.

No. 835 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CANDIDATES FOR ELECTIVE OFFICE."

Introduced by: Senator Ihara, by request.

No. 836 "A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE ENFORCEMENT OF PARKING FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES."

Introduced by: Senator Ihara.

No. 837 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC ACCOUNTANCY."

Introduced by: Senator Menor, by request.

No. 838 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HAWAII HURRICANE RELIEF FUND."

Introduced by: Senator Menor, by request.

No. 839 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SOCIAL WORK."

Introduced by: Senator Menor, by request.

No. 840 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS."

Introduced by: Senator Menor, by request.

No. 841 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO

CHECK CASHING.”

Introduced by: Senator Menor, by request.

No. 842 “A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO STATE PARKS.”

Introduced by: Senators Tam, Slom, Ige, Ihara.

No. 843 “A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO BICYCLE EDUCATION.”

Introduced by: Senators Tam, Slom, Ihara.

No. 844 “A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO REAL PROPERTY LEASES.”

Introduced by: Senators Tam, Slom, Ige, Ihara.

No. 845 “A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO RESIDENTIAL LEASE-TO-FEE CONVERSION.”

Introduced by: Senators Tam, Slom, Ige, Ihara.

No. 846 “A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SOCIAL SERVICE FACILITIES.”

Introduced by: Senators Tam, Slom.

No. 847 “A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EXPLOSIVES.”

Introduced by: Senator Kawamoto.

No. 848 “A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS.”

Introduced by: Senators Hanabusa, Chun, Buen, Ihara, Taniguchi, Slom, Nakata, Matsuura, Ige, Tam, English, Chumbley.

No. 849 “A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COLLECTIVE BARGAINING.”

Introduced by: Senator Hanabusa, by request.

No. 850 “A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COLLECTIVE BARGAINING.”

Introduced by: Senator Hanabusa, by request.

No. 851 “A BILL FOR AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS AND MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS FOR THE COUNTY OF KAUAI.”

Introduced by: Senator Bunda.

No. 852 “A BILL FOR AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS AND MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO THE ANTONE VIDINHA STADIUM COMPLEX, WAIMEA HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT SWIMMING POOL, AND KOKEE ROAD SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS AND EMERGENCY ESCAPE RAMPS.”

Introduced by: Senator Bunda.

No. 853 “A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE MILLENNIUM

WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM.”

Introduced by: Senator Ige.

No. 854 “A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION.”

Introduced by: Senator Nakata.

No. 855 “A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR DISPUTES.”

Introduced by: Senator Nakata.

No. 856 “A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE FISCAL DISCLOSURE AND TAXPAYER PROTECTION ACT.”

Introduced by: Senator Nakata.

No. 857 “A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII LIVING WAGE LAW.”

Introduced by: Senator Nakata.

No. 858 “A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CHILD CARE TAX CREDIT.”

Introduced by: Senators Chun Oakland, Buen.

No. 859 “A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PAROLE.”

Introduced by: Senators Chun Oakland, Matsuura, Kanno.

No. 860 “A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE.”

Introduced by: Senator Matsuura.

No. 861 “A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FIREARMS.”

Introduced by: Senator Kanno.

No. 862 “A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE EMPLOYEES’ RETIREMENT SYSTEM.”

Introduced by: Senator Kanno.

No. 863 “A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO INCOME TAX.”

Introduced by: Senator Kanno.

No. 864 “A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO OFFENSES AGAINST THE PERSON.”

Introduced by: Senator Kanno.

No. 865 “A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SCHOOL-TO-WORK.”

Introduced by: Senator Kanno.

No. 866 “A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.”

Introduced by: Senator Kawamoto, by request.

No. 867 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC PASSENGER VEHICLE REGULATION."

Introduced by: Senator Fukunaga.

No. 868 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT."

Introduced by: Senators Slom, Hemmings.

No. 869 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EXEMPTION FROM THE GENERAL EXCISE TAX FOR NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS."

Introduced by: Senator Slom.

No. 870 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTION BALLOT OVERVOTING."

Introduced by: Senator Slom.

No. 871 "A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE MAUI FOOD BANK, INC."

Introduced by: Senators English, Chumbley, Ige, Chun, Ihara, Hanabusa, Nakata.

No. 872 "A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE INDIGENOUS POLITICS MASTERS DEGREE PROGRAM AT THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII."

Introduced by: Senators English, Chumbley, Chun, Ihara, Hanabusa, Nakata.

No. 873 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ENERGY CONSERVATION TAX CREDITS."

Introduced by: Senators English, Chumbley, Ige, Chun, Nakata, Ihara, Hanabusa.

No. 874 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES."

Introduced by: Senators English, Chumbley, Chun, Ihara, Hanabusa, Nakata.

No. 875 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION."

Introduced by: Senators English, Ihara, Chumbley, Chun, Ige, Hanabusa, Nakata.

No. 876 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL FACILITY REVENUE BONDS FOR INTERISLAND MARITIME TRANSPORTATION."

Introduced by: Senators Buen, Kawamoto, Kanno, Tam, Hemmings, Taniguchi, Inouye, Fukunaga, Kim.

No. 877 "A BILL FOR AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS AND MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE AGRICULTURAL WATER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM, UPCOUNTRY KULA, MAUI WATERSHED."

Introduced by: Senators Buen, Chun, Hanabusa, Kawamoto, Matsuura.

No. 878 "A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR PROJECT FAITH."

Introduced by: Senators Chumbley, Chun.

No. 879 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SUBSTANCE ABUSE."

Introduced by: Senators Chumbley, Ige, Fukunaga, Ihara, Chun Oakland, Matsunaga.

No. 880 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE REMOVAL OF NUISANCE SEAWEED."

Introduced by: Senators Chumbley, English, Buen.

No. 881 "A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE MAUI INVASIVE SPECIES COMMITTEE ACTION PLAN."

Introduced by: Senators Chumbley, English, Buen.

No. 882 "A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR LITTER CONTROL AND BEAUTIFICATION."

Introduced by: Senators Chumbley, English, Buen.

No. 883 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC SAFETY."

Introduced by: Senators Matsunaga, Chumbley.

No. 884 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO RIGHTS OF VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE."

Introduced by: Senators Matsunaga, Chumbley.

No. 885 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DOMESTIC ABUSE."

Introduced by: Senators Matsunaga, Chumbley.

No. 886 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SEXUAL OFFENDERS."

Introduced by: Senators Matsunaga, Chumbley.

No. 887 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO STATE PARKS."

Introduced by: Senators Matsunaga, Ihara, Fukunaga, Chumbley, Ige.

No. 888 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COLLECTIVE BARGAINING."

Introduced by: Senator Chun.

No. 889 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LOANS."

Introduced by: Senator Chun.

ADJOURNMENT

At 6:00 o'clock p.m., the Senate adjourned until 9:30 o'clock a.m., Tuesday, January 23, 2001.