

FORTY-SIXTH DAY

Tuesday, April 14, 2015

The Senate of the Twenty-Eighth Legislature of the State of Hawai'i, Regular Session of 2015, convened at 10:04 a.m. with the President in the Chair.

The Roll was called showing all Senators present.

The President announced that she had read and approved the Journal of the Forty-Fifth Day.

ORDER OF THE DAY

AGREE/DISAGREE

MATTERS DEFERRED FROM
FRIDAY, APRIL 10, 2015

S.B. No. 388 (H.D. 1):

By unanimous consent, action on S.B. No. 388 (H.D. 1), entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO POLICE DEPARTMENTS," was deferred until Thursday, April 16, 2015.

S.B. No. 1113, S.D. 2 (H.D. 1):

By unanimous consent, action on S.B. No. 1113, S.D. 2 (H.D. 1), entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO BACKGROUND CHECKS," was deferred until Thursday, April 16, 2015.

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

By unanimous consent, action on S.B. No. 2, S.D. 2 (H.D. 2), entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PILOTAGE," was deferred until Thursday, April 16, 2015.

S.B. No. 550, S.D. 1 (H.D. 2):

By unanimous consent, action on S.B. No. 550, S.D. 1 (H.D. 2), entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH," was deferred until Thursday, April 16, 2015.

S.B. No. 987, S.D. 1 (H.D. 1):

By unanimous consent, action on S.B. No. 987, S.D. 1 (H.D. 1), entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO POST-SECONDARY EDUCATION," was deferred until Thursday, April 16, 2015.

S.B. No. 1131, S.D. 2 (H.D. 2):

By unanimous consent, action on S.B. No. 1131, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE UNIFORM CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ACT," was deferred until Thursday, April 16, 2015.

S.B. No. 320, S.D. 1 (H.D. 2):

By unanimous consent, action on S.B. No. 320, S.D. 1 (H.D. 2), entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL DISTRICTS," was deferred until Thursday, April 16, 2015.

S.B. No. 434, S.D. 2 (H.D. 1):

By unanimous consent, action on S.B. No. 434, S.D. 2 (H.D. 1), entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATED TO AGRICULTURE," was deferred until Thursday, April 16, 2015.

S.B. No. 211, S.D. 1 (H.D. 1):

By unanimous consent, action on S.B. No. 211, S.D. 1 (H.D. 1), entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO

FORENSIC IDENTIFICATION," was deferred until Thursday, April 16, 2015.

S.B. No. 214, S.D. 1 (H.D. 1):

By unanimous consent, action on S.B. No. 214, S.D. 1 (H.D. 1), entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE SMALL CLAIMS DIVISION OF THE DISTRICT COURT," was deferred until Thursday, April 16, 2015.

S.B. No. 218, S.D. 1 (H.D. 1):

By unanimous consent, action on S.B. No. 218, S.D. 1 (H.D. 1), entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ORDER OF SUCCESSION," was deferred until Thursday, April 16, 2015.

S.B. No. 223, S.D. 1 (H.D. 1):

By unanimous consent, action on S.B. No. 223, S.D. 1 (H.D. 1), entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC GUARDIAN," was deferred until Thursday, April 16, 2015.

S.B. No. 419, S.D. 2 (H.D. 1):

By unanimous consent, action on S.B. No. 419, S.D. 2 (H.D. 1), entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO NEIGHBORHOOD BOARDS," was deferred until Thursday, April 16, 2015.

S.B. No. 1219, S.D. 2 (H.D. 1):

By unanimous consent, action on S.B. No. 1219, S.D. 2 (H.D. 1), entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EMPLOYMENT SECURITY," was deferred until Thursday, April 16, 2015.

ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION

MATTER DEFERRED FROM
FRIDAY, APRIL 10, 2015

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1472 (H.C.R. No. 224, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Green, seconded by Senator Slom and carried, the joint report of the Committees was adopted and H.C.R. No. 224, S.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NAMING THE NEW WAIMANALO ELEMENTARY AND INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL BUILDING IN HONOR OF AL LEWIS," was adopted.

THIRD READING

H.B. No. 683, H.D. 1, S.D. 1:

On motion by Senator Keith-Agaran, seconded by Senator Shimabukuro and carried, H.B. No. 683, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII CIVIL RIGHTS COMMISSION," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

H.B. No. 287, H.D. 1, S.D. 1:

On motion by Senator Keith-Agaran, seconded by Senator Shimabukuro and carried, H.B. No. 287, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE UNIFORM INFORMATION PRACTICES ACT," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

H.B. No. 290, H.D. 2, S.D. 1:

On motion by Senator Keith-Agaran, seconded by Senator Tokuda and carried, H.B. No. 290, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE JUDICIARY," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1431 (H.B. No. 746, H.D. 1, S.D. 2):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1431 was adopted and H.B. No. 746, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CYBERSECURITY," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1432 (H.B. No. 293, H.D. 1, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1432 was adopted and H.B. No. 293, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LIQUOR LICENSES," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1433 (H.B. No. 1005, H.D. 1, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1433 was adopted and H.B. No. 1005, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE VETERANS TREATMENT COURT," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1436 (H.B. No. 1268, H.D. 2, S.D. 2):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1436 was adopted and H.B. No. 1268, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1438 (H.B. No. 119, H.D. 2, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1438 was adopted and H.B. No. 119, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1440 (H.B. No. 768, H.D. 2, S.D. 2):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1440 was adopted and H.B. No. 768, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1441 (H.B. No. 1377, H.D. 1, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1441 was adopted and H.B. No. 1377, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CHILD HEALTH," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1442 (H.B. No. 1236, H.D. 1, S.D. 2):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1442 was adopted and H.B. No. 1236, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1443 (H.B. No. 1025, H.D. 1, S.D. 2):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1443 was adopted and H.B. No. 1025, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII HOUSING FINANCE AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1445 (H.B. No. 971, H.D. 1, S.D. 2):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1445 was adopted and H.B. No. 971, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ALOHA TOWER DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1446 (H.B. No. 774, H.D. 1, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1446 was adopted and H.B. No. 774, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SMALL BUSINESS," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1448 (H.B. No. 582, H.D. 1, S.D. 2):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1448 was adopted and H.B. No. 582, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE NURSING FACILITY SUSTAINABILITY PROGRAM," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1450 (H.B. No. 261, H.D. 2, S.D. 2):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1450 was adopted and H.B. No. 261, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CONSUMER PROTECTION," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1451 (H.B. No. 139, H.D. 1, S.D. 2):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1451 was adopted and H.B. No. 139, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS TO ASSIST ANAERGIA INC.," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1453 (H.B. No. 58, H.D. 1, S.D. 2):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1453 was adopted and H.B. No. 58, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PROTECTIVE ORDERS," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1455 (H.B. No. 207, H.D. 2, S.D. 2):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1455 was adopted and H.B. No. 207, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TRAINING," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1456 (H.B. No. 440, H.D. 1, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1456 was adopted and H.B. No. 440, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1457 (H.B. No. 457, H.D. 1, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1457 was adopted and H.B. No. 457, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1458 (H.B. No. 461, S.D. 2):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1458 was adopted and H.B. No. 461, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE OFFICE OF INFORMATION PRACTICES," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1459 (H.B. No. 503, H.D. 1, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1459 was adopted and H.B. No. 503, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DROUGHT MITIGATION," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1460 (H.B. No. 600, H.D. 1, S.D. 2):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1460 was adopted and H.B. No. 600, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COMMUNITY CARE FOSTER FAMILY HOMES," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1461 (H.B. No. 821, H.D. 1, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1461 was adopted and H.B. No. 821, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1462 (H.B. No. 1251, H.D. 1, S.D. 2):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1462 was adopted and H.B. No. 1251, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOLS," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1463 (H.B. No. 467, H.D. 1, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1463 was adopted and H.B. No. 467, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1464 (H.B. No. 1296, H.D. 2, S.D. 2):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1464 was adopted and H.B. No. 1296, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ENERGY," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1465 (H.B. No. 1478, H.D. 1, S.D. 2):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1465 was adopted and H.B. No. 1478, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAIIAN ISLANDS HUMPBACK WHALE NATIONAL MARINE SANCTUARY," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1466 (H.B. No. 436, H.D. 1, S.D. 2):

On motion by Senator Keith-Agaran, seconded by Senator Shimabukuro and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1466 was adopted and H.B. No. 436, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EMERGENCY VEHICLES," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1467 (H.B. No. 1153, S.D. 2):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1467 was adopted and H.B. No. 1153, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO VETERANS," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

H.B. No. 26, H.D. 1, S.D. 1:

On motion by Senator Keith-Agaran, seconded by Senator Shimabukuro and carried, H.B. No. 26, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE COMPENSATION OF TRUSTEES," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

H.B. No. 1182, H.D. 1, S.D. 1:

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, H.B. No. 1182, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

H.B. No. 1168, H.D. 1, S.D. 1:

On motion by Senator Thielen, seconded by Senator Tokuda and carried, H.B. No. 1168, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE BOATING SPECIAL FUND," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1473 (H.B. No. 1412, H.D. 2, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1473 was adopted and H.B. No. 1412, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1474 (H.B. No. 823, H.D. 1, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1474 was adopted and H.B. No. 823, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL THEFT," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1475 (H.B. No. 1063, H.D. 2, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1475 was adopted and H.B. No. 1063, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARE," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1476 (H.B. No. 481, H.D. 1, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1476 was adopted and

H.B. No. 481, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1477 (H.B. No. 464, H.D. 1, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1477 was adopted and H.B. No. 464, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1478 (H.B. No. 277, H.D. 1, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1478 was adopted and H.B. No. 277, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO INFRASTRUCTURE," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1479 (H.B. No. 158, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1479 was adopted and H.B. No. 158, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF THE PROSECUTING ATTORNEY OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1480 (H.B. No. 206, H.D. 2, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1480 was adopted and H.B. No. 206, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HAWAIIAN PLANTS," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1481 (H.B. No. 213):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1481 was adopted and H.B. No. 213, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO JURY DUTY," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1482 (H.B. No. 515, H.D. 3, S.D. 2):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1482 was adopted and H.B. No. 515, H.D. 3, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO REMNANTS," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1483 (H.B. No. 676, H.D. 1, S.D. 2):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1483 was adopted and H.B. No. 676, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COLLECTIVE BARGAINING," having been

read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1485 (H.B. No. 252, H.D. 1, S.D. 2):

On motion by Senator Baker, seconded by Senator Tokuda and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1485 was adopted and H.B. No. 252, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PHARMACY BENEFIT MANAGERS," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1489 (H.B. No. 1292, H.D. 2, S.D. 2):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1489 was adopted and H.B. No. 1292, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PROCUREMENT," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1490 (H.B. No. 444, H.D. 3, S.D. 2):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1490 was adopted and H.B. No. 444, H.D. 3, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO BEACH PROTECTION," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1492 (H.B. No. 1349, H.D. 2, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1492 was adopted and H.B. No. 1349, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TEACHER TENURE," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1493 (H.B. No. 716, H.D. 2, S.D. 2):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1493 was adopted and H.B. No. 716, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO INNOVATIVE BUSINESS INTERACTION," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1494 (H.B. No. 831, H.D. 2, S.D. 2):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1494 was adopted and H.B. No. 831, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOLS," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1495 (H.B. No. 871, H.D. 1, S.D. 2):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1495 was adopted and H.B. No. 871, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO BIOSECURITY," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1496 (H.B. No. 1394, H.D. 2, S.D. 2):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1496 was adopted and H.B. No. 1394, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO WATER RECLAMATION," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1502 (H.B. No. 278, H.D. 1, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1502 was adopted and H.B. No. 278, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE DWELLING UNIT REVOLVING FUND," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1503 (H.B. No. 1042, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1503 was adopted and H.B. No. 1042, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO IMPORTANT AGRICULTURAL LANDS," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1504 (H.B. No. 966, H.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1504 was adopted and H.B. No. 966, H.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SECTION 237-23, HAWAII REVISED STATUTES," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1505 (H.B. No. 894, H.D. 2, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1505 was adopted and H.B. No. 894, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE ENHANCED 911 BOARD," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1506 (H.B. No. 611, H.D. 2, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1506 was adopted and H.B. No. 611, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE DIGITIZATION OF HISTORIC PRESERVATION RECORDS," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1507 (H.B. No. 573, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1507 was adopted and H.B. No. 573, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HAWAII GOOD AGRICULTURAL PRACTICES," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1511 (H.B. No. 438, H.D. 1, S.D. 2):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1511 was adopted and H.B. No. 438, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE KAHŌ'OLAWÉ ISLAND RESERVE COMMISSION," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1514 (H.B. No. 1282, H.D. 1, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1514 was adopted and H.B. No. 1282, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO BROADBAND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1515 (H.B. No. 1332, H.D. 1, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1515 was adopted and H.B. No. 1332, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO IRRIGATION," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1516 (H.B. No. 1345, H.D. 1, S.D. 2):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1516 was adopted and H.B. No. 1345, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURE," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1517 (H.B. No. 1489, H.D. 1, S.D. 2):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1517 was adopted and H.B. No. 1489, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SPECIAL LICENSE PLATES FOR NATIONAL PARKS," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1520 (H.B. No. 1343, H.D. 1, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1520 was adopted and H.B. No. 1343, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC SAFETY," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1522 (H.B. No. 858, H.D. 2, S.D. 2):

On motion by Senator Keith-Agaran, seconded by Senator Shimabukuro and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1522 was adopted and H.B. No. 858, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1523 (H.B. No. 805, H.D. 2, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Keith-Agaran, seconded by Senator Shimabukuro and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1523 was adopted and H.B. No. 805, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO VETERANS DISABILITY BENEFITS," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1525 (H.B. No. 538, H.D. 2, S.D. 2):

On motion by Senator Keith-Agaran, seconded by Senator Shimabukuro and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1525 was adopted and H.B. No. 538, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1527 (H.B. No. 850, H.D. 1, S.D. 2):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1527 was adopted and H.B. No. 850, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION SERVICE," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1529 (H.B. No. 501, H.D. 1, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1529 was adopted and H.B. No. 501, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURE," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1532 (H.B. No. 1127, H.D. 1, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Keith-Agaran, seconded by Senator Tokuda and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1532 was adopted and H.B. No. 1127, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PROCUREMENT," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1534 (H.B. No. 696, H.D. 1, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Keith-Agaran, seconded by Senator Tokuda and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1534 was adopted and H.B. No. 696, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1535 (H.B. No. 508, H.D. 1, S.D. 2):

Senator Keith-Agaran moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1535 be adopted and H.B. No. 508, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, having been read throughout, pass Third Reading, seconded by Senator Tokuda.

Senator Gabbard requested that remarks in support of the measure be entered into the Journal, and the Chair so ordered.

The Chair having so ordered, Senator Gabbard's remarks read as follows:

"Madam President, I rise in support of HB 508 HD1 SD2.

"Colleagues, some of you may be scratching your heads and asking, 'I thought Gabbard was a vegetarian? Doesn't he always vote against these livestock feed subsidy bills?' Well, I assure you that I haven't started eating Big Macs. The deal is I feel so strongly about moving forward on hemp that I'm making an exception on this bill.

"To give you a little history, back in 1999, Act 305 was enacted which established a hemp research project that lasted three years. This project took place on a quarter of acre of land in Wahiawā and was financed by a private company.

"Last session, Act 56 was enacted which authorized UH to establish a two year hemp remediation and biofuel research project. Dr. Harry Ako of UH and his team went through hell and high water with the DEA to get the seeds here. And on April 10th, they planted hemp seeds at a blessing at the UH Waimānalo Extension Station.

"HB 508 HD 1 SD 2 will continue this important work because it would authorize registered growers of industrial hemp under the Farm Bill for research purposes and pilot programs. I hope this will be the beginning of what will hopefully soon become a thriving hemp industry. Can't you imagine a new cottage industry springing up – Hawaiian Hemp Shampoo, Hawaiian Hemp Protection Powders, Seeds, Oil – soon on our store shelves? If you're smart, you'll start registering 'hemp' trade names with DCCA, because this is going to be huge.

"Please join me in supporting this important legislation. Mahalo."

The motion was put by the Chair and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1535 was adopted and H.B. No. 508, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURE," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1538 (H.B. No. 851, H.D. 1, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1538 was adopted and H.B. No. 851, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1539 (H.B. No. 874, H.D. 1, S.D. 2):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1539 was adopted and H.B. No. 874, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAIIAN LANGUAGE IMMERSION PROGRAM," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1541 (H.B. No. 1180, H.D. 1, S.D. 2):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1541 was adopted and H.B. No. 1180, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PROCUREMENT," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1543 (H.B. No. 482, H.D. 2, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1543 was adopted and H.B. No. 482, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURE," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1544 (H.B. No. 697, H.D. 1, S.D. 2):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1544 was adopted and H.B. No. 697, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO STATE FACILITIES," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1545 (H.B. No. 782, H.D. 1, S.D. 2):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1545 was adopted and H.B. No. 782, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE CYTOMEGALOVIRUS," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1546 (H.B. No. 832, H.D. 1, S.D. 2):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1546 was adopted and H.B. No. 832, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1547 (H.B. No. 1112, H.D. 2, S.D. 2):

On motion by Senator Keith-Agaran, seconded by Senator Tokuda and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1547 was adopted and H.B. No. 1112, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII HEALTH SYSTEMS CORPORATION," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1551 (H.B. No. 581, H.D. 1, S.D. 2):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1551 was adopted and H.B. No. 581, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HOSPITAL SUSTAINABILITY PROGRAM," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1552 (H.B. No. 1214, H.D. 1, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1552 was adopted and H.B. No. 1214, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE STATE-COUNTY FUNCTIONS WORKING GROUP," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1554 (H.B. No. 540, H.D. 1, S.D. 2):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1554 was adopted and H.B. No. 540, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1555 (H.B. No. 10, H.D. 2, S.D. 2):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1555 was adopted and H.B. No. 10, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1556 (H.B. No. 1440, H.D. 1, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1556 was adopted and H.B. No. 1440, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1559 (H.B. No. 1354, H.D. 1, S.D. 2):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1559 was adopted and H.B. No. 1354, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HOUSING," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1428 (H.B. No. 525, H.D. 2, S.D. 2):

Senator Keith-Agaran moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1428 be adopted and H.B. No. 525, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, having been read throughout, pass Third Reading, seconded by Senator Shimabukuro.

Senator Slom rose to speak in opposition to the measure as follows:

"We continue to erode individual rights and freedoms and to demonize a new technology, e-cigarettes, so I'll be voting 'no.' Thank you."

The motion was put by the Chair and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1428 was adopted and H.B. No. 525, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO STATE PARKS," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 24; Ayes with Reservations (Nishihara). Noes, 1 (Slom).

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1429 (H.B. No. 209, H.D. 2, S.D. 2):

Senator Tokuda moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1429 be adopted and H.B. No. 209, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, having been read throughout, pass Third Reading, seconded by Senator Kouchi.

Senator Slom rose to speak in support of the measure with reservations as follows:

"Thank you, Madam President. I rise to support the bill with strong reservations. As we learned in Ways and Means, we had

not gotten answers to basic questions about OHA's spending. We also note that OHA has been using the taxpayer money for lobbying against certain positions of the Legislature and has become more and more political. In the days and months ahead, I think it's incumbent upon all of us to look more carefully and with more scrutiny at OHA, which, remember, is a state agency. Thank you."

At 10:09 a.m., the Senate stood in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

The Senate reconvened at 10:10 a.m.

The motion was put by the Chair and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1429 was adopted and H.B. No. 209, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE BUDGET OF THE OFFICE OF HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25; Ayes with Reservations (Slom). Noes, none.

At 10:10 a.m., the Senate stood in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

The Senate reconvened at 10:11 a.m.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1430 (H.B. No. 896, H.D. 1, S.D. 2):

Senator Tokuda moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1430 be adopted and H.B. No. 896, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, having been read throughout, pass Third Reading, seconded by Senator Kouchi.

Senator Slom rose to speak in support of the measure with reservations as follows:

"As I have said every year and every time on this particular bill, which allows for claims against the state to be paid, the bill continues to increase as we go through a legislative session. The last figure I have now is \$2.9 million, \$1 million of which is a claim by a convicted felon. I know some of the bills and the claims are legitimate; I would just urge the attorney general's department to take a more critical view and to deny and fight some of these claims, which are made simply because the state has deep pockets. Thank you."

The motion was put by the Chair and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1430 was adopted and H.B. No. 896, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR CLAIMS AGAINST THE STATE, ITS OFFICERS, OR ITS EMPLOYEES," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25; Ayes with Reservations (Slom). Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1434 (H.B. No. 943, H.D. 1, S.D. 2):

Senator Tokuda moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1434 be adopted and H.B. No. 943, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, having been read throughout, pass Third Reading, seconded by Senator Kouchi.

Senator Slom rose to speak in opposition to the measure as follows:

"My opposition is, as I've stated previously, the creation of yet another new special fund. Thank you."

The motion was put by the Chair and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1434 was adopted and H.B. No. 943, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE CIVIL MONETARY PENALTY SPECIAL FUND," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 24. Noes, 1 (Slom).

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1435 (H.B. No. 242, S.D. 1):

Senator Tokuda moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1435 be adopted and H.B. No. 242, S.D. 1, having been read throughout, pass Third Reading, seconded by Senator Kouchi.

Senator Slom rose to speak in support of the measure with reservations as follows:

“You know, we’ve talked about this for more than a decade. The project, I think, is a good project, but why is it taking the company and the people who support this so long to find private investors to move this project along? So, again, I support the intent; I think the technology’s there, but we have to question why it’s taking so long to actually do the project. Thank you.”

The motion was put by the Chair and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1435 was adopted and H.B. No. 242, S.D. 1, entitled: “A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SEAWATER AIR CONDITIONING,” having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25; Ayes with Reservations (Slom). Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1437 (H.B. No. 1325, H.D. 1, S.D. 1):

Senator Tokuda moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1437 be adopted and H.B. No. 1325, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, having been read throughout, pass Third Reading, seconded by Senator Kouchi.

Senator Slom rose to speak in opposition to the measure as follows:

“I think the intent is a good one for not only the environmental community but also for recycling, to make sure that the stormwater does not go into our oceans and tributaries. However, it is the funding mechanism – the idea of authorizing fees. We don’t have a specification of what the fees would be; we’re not sure who they’re going to be attached to and what the ultimate use is of the fees. Thank you.”

The motion was put by the Chair and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1437 was adopted and H.B. No. 1325, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled: “A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO STORMWATER MANAGEMENT,” having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 24; Ayes with Reservations (Dela Cruz, Galuteria, Inouye, Kahahele, Kidani, Nishihara). Noes, 1 (Slom).

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1439 (H.B. No. 174, H.D. 2, S.D. 1):

Senator Tokuda moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1439 be adopted and H.B. No. 174, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, having been read throughout, pass Third Reading, seconded by Senator Kouchi.

Senator Slom rose to speak in opposition to the measure as follows:

“As I said in committee and as I’ve said previously, when we mandate or force insurance companies or anyone else to provide coverage, then it ceases to become insurance. And while I sympathize with folks who have this problem within their family, and I understand it’s costly, it should not be an insurance mandate. It should be something that insurance companies are educated and others to include in coverage or in options from the beginning. Thank you.”

Senator Baker rose to speak in strong support of the measure as follows:

“Our state auditor did a report on this particular measure, and it’s actually one I think we can act on and act on with great comfort. The auditor recommended requiring health insurance coverage for medically necessary orthodontic treatment for orofacial anomalies because the financial impacts on insurers

would be minimal: Reports from California and Massachusetts indicate coverage increased premiums two to four cents or less per member per month – not a significant amount.

“And yet the impact on families that have children with these anomalies – cleft palate, cleft lip, and others – can be significant. Uninsured treatment costs range from \$5,700 to \$20,000 or more, and oftentimes, these young children, starting with babies, have to have treatments for a number of years until their facial, not only muscles, but bone structure, has reached its maturity.

“In Hawai‘i, orthodontic care for orofacial anomalies is a benefit for families with Medicaid or TRICARE coverage, but not generally those with private insurance. It’s time we get everybody on the same page. I urge my colleagues to join me in supporting this measure. Mahalo.”

The motion was put by the Chair and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1439 was adopted and H.B. No. 174, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, entitled: “A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH,” having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 24. Noes, 1 (Slom).

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1444 (H.B. No. 1010, H.D. 1, S.D. 2):

Senator Tokuda moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1444 be adopted and H.B. No. 1010, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, having been read throughout, pass Third Reading, seconded by Senator Kouchi.

Senator Slom rose to speak in opposition to the measure as follows:

“I think all people, all employers, all organizations should be encouraged to talk about, discuss, and may even provide alternative commuter solutions, but not to be required. The S.D. 2 is a better version of the bill, but it still allows counties to pass ordinances to require employers to provide these services. Thank you.”

Senator Riviere rose to speak in opposition to the measure as follows:

“My opposition is to the second paragraph on page 2, which would require businesses to have this benefit at their expense. The first part that allows and incentivizes the commuter benefits is well-received, but the second part I can’t support. Mahalo.”

The motion was put by the Chair and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1444 was adopted and H.B. No. 1010, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, entitled: “A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE COMMUTER BENEFITS PROGRAM,” having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 23; Ayes with Reservations (Ihara, Inouye). Noes, 2 (Riviere, Slom).

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1447 (H.B. No. 621, H.D. 1, S.D. 1):

Senator Tokuda moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1447 be adopted and H.B. No. 621, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, having been read throughout, pass Third Reading, seconded by Senator Kouchi.

Senator Slom rose to speak in support of the measure with reservations as follows:

“Thank you. I know several states are working on similar legislation but so is the federal government, and I’m not sure whether our state, or any of the other states, actually, can prohibit the contents of the manufacturing of these kinds of products. Thank you.”

The motion was put by the Chair and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1447 was adopted and H.B. No. 621, H.D. 1, S.D. 1,

entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25; Ayes with Reservations (Slom). Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1449 (H.B. No. 346, H.D. 1, S.D. 2):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1449 was adopted and H.B. No. 346, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE CIVIL PROCESS," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1452 (H.B. No. 11, H.D. 2, S.D. 2):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1452 was adopted and H.B. No. 11, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TEACHERS," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 24. Noes, 1 (Slom).

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1454 (H.B. No. 148, H.D. 2, S.D. 2):

Senator Tokuda moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1454 be adopted and H.B. No. 148, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, having been read throughout, pass Third Reading, seconded by Senator Kouchi.

Senator Slom rose to speak in opposition to the measure as follows:

"While, certainly, we should make anyone whole who has been wrongfully imprisoned, this bill is so broad and leaves many questions as to how much money will actually be allowed to be paid, under what circumstances, and also its services as well. So there's no financial cap on this bill, and it could be extremely expensive.

"In addition to that, the definition of 'wrongful imprisonment' does not include just those who have been wrongfully imprisoned, but it also includes those who may have been imprisoned or released because of a technicality and not a subject of guilt. Thank you."

Senator Thielen rose to speak in support of the measure with reservations as follows:

"Thank you, Madam President. I rise with mild reservations. I actually think the bill is well-written; I trust that in conference committee, any lingering questions will be addressed. But I would prefer that the amounts in the bill be listed as a ceiling rather than a floor. Thank you."

The motion was put by the Chair and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1454 was adopted and H.B. No. 148, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO WRONGFUL IMPRISONMENT," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 24; Ayes with Reservations (Thielen). Noes, 1 (Slom).

H.B. No. 1491, H.D. 2, S.D. 1:

On motion by Senator Keith-Agaran, seconded by Senator Shimabukuro and carried, H.B. No. 1491, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CAMPAIGN SPENDING," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1484 (H.B. No. 940, H.D. 1):

Senator Baker moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1484 be adopted and H.B. No. 940, H.D. 1, having been read throughout, pass Third Reading, seconded by Senator Taniguchi.

Senator Baker requested that remarks in support of the measure be entered into the Journal, and the Chair so ordered.

The Chair having so ordered, Senator Baker's remarks read as follows:

"Madam President, I rise in support of HB940 HD1, Relating to the Regulation of Tobacco Products.

"HB940 HD1 prohibits the use of electronic smoking devices in places where smoking is already illegal. This measure would protect members of the public, including nonsmokers and vulnerable populations such as pregnant women and children, from unwittingly inhaling the liquid droplets emitted by electronic smoking devices.

"ESDs produce an aerosol that is not merely 'water vapor.' As the Hawai'i Department of Health noted in its testimony in support of this measure, in recent months international research has increased the understanding of ESDs as harmful carcinogenic devices. The aerosol from ESDs contains several carcinogens such as formaldehyde, acetaldehyde, lead, nickel, chromium, and other hazardous substances that, according to the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry, are associated with a range of negative health effects such as skin, eye, and respiratory irritation. These chemicals travel through the circulatory system to the brain and all organs. In November 2014, researchers at the Japanese Ministry of Health announced they found ESDs contained greater levels of cancer-causing agents than found in traditional cigarettes.

"ESD companies, and the tobacco companies that have been acquiring the ESDs businesses, market and promote their use 'anywhere' to encourage their social acceptability. The use of ESDs in traditionally smoke-free areas causes confusion to the enforcement of smoke-free laws, creates distractions in work environments, and renormalizes smoking behavior.

"The authority to regulate where ESDs are used is in the domain of state and local governments. We currently have a patchwork of regulation for ESDs: Hawai'i State's Department of Health bans ESDs use on all DOH property; our State Department of Accounting and General Services prohibits ESD use in and around state buildings under its jurisdiction; Hawai'i County prohibits the use of ESDs wherever tobacco products are illegal. This bill is needed because it will provide a uniform reasonable policy throughout the state.

"I urge my colleagues to join me in voting 'yes' on this important public health measure."

The motion was put by the Chair and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1484 was adopted and H.B. No. 940, H.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE REGULATION OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 24; Ayes with Reservations (Kahele). Noes, 1 (Slom).

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1486 (H.B. No. 1069, H.D. 1, S.D. 2):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1486 was adopted and H.B. No. 1069, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TECHNOLOGY," having been read

throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1487 (H.B. No. 1432, H.D. 2, S.D. 1):

Senator Tokuda moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1487 be adopted and H.B. No. 1432, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, having been read throughout, pass Third Reading, seconded by Senator Kouchi.

Senator Slom rose to speak in opposition to the measure as follows:

"It does create a special fund, so I'm in opposition. Thank you."

The motion was put by the Chair and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1487 was adopted and H.B. No. 1432, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE INTERIM ASSISTANCE REIMBURSEMENT SPECIAL FUND," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 24. Noes, 1 (Slom).

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1488 (H.B. No. 391, H.D. 1, S.D. 1):

Senator Tokuda moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1488 be adopted and H.B. No. 391, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, having been read throughout, pass Third Reading, seconded by Senator Kouchi.

Senator Slom rose to speak in opposition to the measure as follows:

"Bad bill: It further damages the business climate of Hawai'i. It forces private employers to pay union collective bargaining wages with no benefits. Thank you."

Senator Thielen rose to speak in opposition to the measure as follows:

"I have a slightly different view of the bill than the preceding speaker. I don't think it is fair to bind people to collective bargaining agreements when they didn't have an opportunity to be a part of that bargaining. Thank you."

Senator Riviere rose to speak in opposition to the measure as follows:

"Thank you. This bill was testified on by the Department of Labor, and they noted that the measure will entail some fiscal impact. So, we have at the end of our agenda today a bill that is very expensive to the state and City and County of Honolulu, and we're up in arms and we're screaming, 'Gosh, if only HART could get some control over these expenses.' We're demanding HART to take responsibility, get control over these expenses, and yet, here we have a bill that purposely will raise the cost of public works. So I don't get it, and I'm opposed to this bill, so thank you very much."

The motion was put by the Chair and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1488 was adopted and H.B. No. 391, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO WAGES AND HOURS ON PUBLIC WORKS," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 21; Ayes with Reservations (Harimoto, Kidani, Wakai). Noes, 4 (Riviere, Ruderman, Slom, Thielen).

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1491 (H.B. No. 1509, H.D. 3, S.D. 2):

Senator Tokuda moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1491 be adopted and H.B. No. 1509, H.D. 3, S.D. 2, having been read throughout, pass Third Reading, seconded by Senator Kouchi.

Senator Galuteria rose to speak in support of the measure with reservations as follows:

"Thank you, Madam President. I'll be voting with reservations simply because I feel that the university system can reach net zero before 2035, which is what the bill calls for. Thank you."

The motion was put by the Chair and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1491 was adopted and H.B. No. 1509, H.D. 3, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ENERGY," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25; Ayes with Reservations (Galuteria). Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1497 (H.B. No. 1360, H.D. 1, S.D. 1):

Senator Tokuda moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1497 be adopted and H.B. No. 1360, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, having been read throughout, pass Third Reading, seconded by Senator Kouchi.

Senator Slom rose to speak in opposition to the measure as follows:

"You know, this bill is flawed, and questions that have been asked have not been answered by the Department of Transportation in terms of where a new site would be for the antenna, what impact there will be if there is in fact an approved flight plan change sending commercial flights over Kalihi. Also, the actual benefits of creating the new tower – who's going to pay for it. And again, I call to a technical matter: The bill refers to 'Clear Channel Corporation'; it's 'iHeartRadio,' for accuracy. Thank you."

The motion was put by the Chair and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1497 was adopted and H.B. No. 1360, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 24. Noes, 1 (Slom).

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1498 (H.B. No. 820, H.D. 2, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1498 was adopted and H.B. No. 820, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 24. Noes, 1 (Slom).

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1499 (H.B. No. 578, H.D. 2, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1499 was adopted and H.B. No. 578, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 24. Noes, 1 (Slom).

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1500 (H.B. No. 576, H.D. 1, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1500 was adopted and H.B. No. 576, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE STATE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT INNOVATION WAIVER," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 24. Noes, 1 (Slom).

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1501 (H.B. No. 547, H.D. 2, S.D. 2):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1501 was adopted and H.B. No. 547, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 24; Ayes with Reservations (Dela Cruz). Noes, 1 (Kidani).

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1508 (H.B. No. 586, H.D. 2, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1508 was adopted and H.B. No. 586, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO USE OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS AND E-CIGARETTES ON HAWAII HEALTH SYSTEMS CORPORATION PREMISES," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 24. Noes, 1 (Slom).

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1509 (H.B. No. 541, H.D. 1, S.D. 2):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1509 was adopted and H.B. No. 541, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII TUITION AND FEES SPECIAL FUND," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 24. Noes, 1 (Kidani).

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1510 (H.B. No. 496, H.D. 1, S.D. 2):

Senator Tokuda moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1510 be adopted and H.B. No. 496, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, having been read throughout, pass Third Reading, seconded by Senator Kouchi.

Senator Riviere rose to speak in opposition to the measure as follows:

"This is going to be a heavy burden on small businesses. The intention is good; the labor official in Ways and Means testified that there's a disparate treatment in the way this would be executed, or it's ambiguous in its execution, whether a business has some sick leave allowances that are paid and some are not, whether this would impact that, so there's some confusion in the actual implementation of it. But more importantly, this is, again, another expense onto smaller businesses, who are very much up in arms and have been quite clear in their opposition to this, so please note my opposition. Thank you."

Senator Ruderman rose to speak in support of the measure with reservations as follows:

"Thank you. I believe that taking care of employees, especially in difficult times, is good business, and I believe in workers' benefits in general, and I generally support them. I believe this bill goes too far; I think we're taking two giant steps forward and perhaps it's appropriate to just take one. I'm particularly referring to the idea of carrying over from year to year to accumulate up to 80 hours of paid sick leave. I think that's an inappropriate and difficult burden to mandate for small businesses. So I'll be voting 'with reservations' and hope that we can adjust it and at least remove the carryover portion in the next phase. Thank you, Madam President."

Senator Kouchi rose to speak in support of the measure with reservations as follows:

"I, too, would like to see the part 1 done. I'm not so sure about the part 2, but that would be potentially worked out in

conference if it goes forward, so I'm willing to vote with reservations at this time. Thank you."

Senator Keith-Agaran rose to speak in support of the measure as follows:

"If you actually read the language, this bill offers a fairly modest sick leave benefit: 5 days annually that must be earned, 1 hour per 40 hours actually worked, and available for use only after an employee has worked the equivalent hours of 85 days of work.

"The bill also excludes companies that already provide a leave benefit of some kind, whether it's vacation, personal days, or paid time off, or has an approved sick leave policy by the department.

"I think, more importantly, this measure calls for the lieutenant governor and the Department of Labor to conduct an actuarial study to determine the impact of extending paid family leave for all our residents and the impact upon the temporary disability insurance program. I think that's the guts of the legislation before you, and I think it's worthy of continuing to take the discussion into conference. So, I would ask that my colleagues allow us to move this bill forward."

The motion was put by the Chair and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1510 was adopted and H.B. No. 496, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EMPLOYMENT," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 22; Ayes with Reservations (Dela Cruz, Galuteria, Harimoto, Kahele, Kouchi, Nishihara, Ruderman, Thielen, Wakai). Noes, 3 (Inouye, Riviere, Slom).

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1512 (H.B. No. 318, H.D. 1, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1512 was adopted and H.B. No. 318, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1513 (H.B. No. 1167, H.D. 1, S.D. 2):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Chun Oakland and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1513 was adopted and H.B. No. 1167, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE CAPITAL INFRASTRUCTURE TAX CREDIT," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 23. Noes, 1 (Taniguchi). Excused, 1 (Kouchi).

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1518 (H.B. No. 1344, S.D. 2):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Chun Oakland and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1518 was adopted and H.B. No. 1344, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MITIGATION OF HAZARDOUS SITUATIONS," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 24. Noes, none. Excused, 1 (Kouchi).

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1519 (H.B. No. 1140, H.D. 1, S.D. 2):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Chun Oakland and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1519 was adopted and H.B. No. 1140, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CESSPOOLS," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 23. Noes, 1 (Slom). Excused, 1 (Kouchi).

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1521 (H.B. No. 142, H.D. 1, S.D. 2):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1521 was adopted and H.B. No. 142, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING ON HAWAIIAN HOME LANDS," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1524 (H.B. No. 631, H.D. 2, S.D. 1):

Senator Keith-Agaran moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1524 be adopted and H.B. No. 631, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, having been read throughout, pass Third Reading, seconded by Senator Shimabukuro.

Senator Slom rose to speak in opposition to the measure as follows:

"I think that the supporters of this bill, while having good intentions, do not understand the unintended consequences, legal and otherwise, that this bill would provide if enacted into law. And it has problems with domestic life, with family court, with taxes, and with other matters as well. Thank you."

Senator Green rose to speak in strong support of the measure as follows:

"Well, in truth, the real consequence is that people who are transgender or who suffer with challenges in association with their gender have a catastrophically high suicide rate; that's the real implication. For year after year after year, we've seen just really good, kind people with a real health challenge killing themselves in unbelievable numbers and suffering what really amounts to a life of discrimination. So, honestly, anything we can do—even if there are some challenges in society with paperwork and whatnot—we should do to try to make individuals' lives easier and also be very compassionate about the fact that when I say high suicide rates, I mean, they are through the roof. So that's why I strongly support this bill; whatever solution we can come up with will be good. Thank you, Madam President."

Senator Baker requested that remarks in strong support of the measure be entered into the Journal, and the Chair so ordered.

The Chair having so ordered, Senator Baker's remarks read as follows:

"Madam President, I rise in support of HB631 HD2 SD1, Relating to Certificates of Birth.

"This measure amends the documentation required when requesting the Department of Health to issue a new birth certificate with a sex designation change. It requires an affidavit from a licensed medical provider or license mental health provider attesting that the current birth certificate does not align with the birth registrant's gender identity and that in the provider's professional opinion, the birth registrant's sex designation should be changed accordingly.

"Current Hawai'i law allows transgender people to have their birth certificates changed to reflect their identity, but only after they have completed a 'sex change operation.' While surgery is an option for some, the majority of transgender individuals do not choose to undergo such surgeries for various reasons, including prohibitive costs and other medical or personal reasons. Moreover, experts agree that surgery is unnecessary for the trans individual to be described accurately as male or female. By keeping the new birth certificate free of markings noting it has been amended, this measure helps trans individuals from facing discrimination based on their choices.

"Currently, there are six states that already allow trans individuals to change their birth certificates without requiring surgery, with three other states considering legislation similar to HB631. This is the right course of action to help one of the most marginalized groups in our society.

"I ask you to join me support of HB631 HD2 SD1. Mahalo"

The motion was put by the Chair and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1524 was adopted and H.B. No. 631, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CERTIFICATES OF BIRTH," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 23; Ayes with Reservations (Gabbard, Kidani, Kouchi, Riviere). Noes, 2 (Harimoto, Slom).

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1526 (H.B. No. 1513, H.D. 1, S.D. 2):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1526 was adopted and H.B. No. 1513, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ENERGY," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1528 (H.B. No. 553, H.D. 1, S.D. 2):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1528 was adopted and H.B. No. 553, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COLLECTIVE BARGAINING," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 24; Ayes with Reservations (Harimoto, Kahele, Riviere, Thielen). Noes, 1 (Slom).

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1530 (H.B. No. 365, H.D. 1, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1530 was adopted and H.B. No. 365, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO POLICE," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1531 (H.B. No. 1467, H.D. 2, S.D. 1):

Senator Keith-Agaran moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1531 be adopted and H.B. No. 1467, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, having been read throughout, pass Third Reading, seconded by Senator Tokuda.

Senator Riviere rose to speak in opposition to the measure as follows:

"My opposition is that we're going to be forcing people to use the health connector, so gone are the options of going there if it's appropriate. And testimony was very clear that it's going to increase the cost of premiums for these businesses that are forced into the health connector. So for those reasons, 'no' vote, please."

Senator Slom rose to speak in opposition to the measure as follows:

"As I've said previously, the health connector is starting off on a bad premise as a bill that does not, in fact, work from an economic standpoint. And they're trying to make a lot of changes at this point, and one of them has to do with small business. HMSA had pulled out of the so-called SHOP program

because it was unworkable, and now what this bill would do would be legislatively force them into it; they're the only ones that qualify under the definitions within the bill. The bill is flawed, but more importantly, the Hawai'i Health Connector is flawed, and we should be aware of that – not fund it, not help it. Thank you."

Senator Baker rose to speak in strong support of the measure as follows:

"I believe there's some misunderstanding on the part of some of my colleagues. The Affordable Care Act defines 'small employer' as '1 to not more than 100.' This merely provides larger businesses in the small business category of up to 100 employees the opportunity to go to the connector to get their health insurance, and it would open the opportunity for them to participate in the tax credits that you can only receive if you go through the connector. It does not force anybody to go to the connector; it merely makes that market available, and we've seen many of our smaller companies go through the connector and actually receive the benefits, the tax credits. It's enabled them to give their employees better health coverage; it's actually good for small businesses, and we've had testimony after testimony from small businesses – the owner of Nii Market, one of those that we honored on the floor the other day, has stated publicly that he was really very pleased with the service he got through the connector, the fact that he got better coverage for his employees, and it was affordable.

"I would just note for the record that at the end of the spring enrollment period, we had almost 39,000 enrolled in the Hawai'i Health Connector. I ask my colleagues to move this measure forward. Mahalo."

The motion was put by the Chair and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1531 was adopted and H.B. No. 1467, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII HEALTH CONNECTOR," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 23. Noes, 2 (Riviere, Slom).

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1533 (H.B. No. 819, H.D. 2, S.D. 2):

On motion by Senator Keith-Agaran, seconded by Senator Tokuda and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1533 was adopted and H.B. No. 819, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO BULLYING," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 24. Noes, 1 (Slom).

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1536 (H.B. No. 448, H.D. 1, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Keith-Agaran, seconded by Senator Tokuda and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1536 was adopted and H.B. No. 448, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1537 (H.B. No. 830, H.D. 1, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1537 was adopted and H.B. No. 830, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25; Ayes with Reservations (Ihara). Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1540 (H.B. No. 1356, S.D. 2):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1540 was adopted and H.B. No. 1356, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO UNFUNDED LIABILITIES," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1542 (H.B. No. 169, H.D. 1, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1542 was adopted and H.B. No. 169, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 24. Noes, 1 (Slom).

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1548 (H.B. No. 1075, H.D. 2, S.D. 2):

Senator Keith-Agaran moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1548 be adopted and H.B. No. 1075, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, having been read throughout, pass Third Reading, seconded by Senator Tokuda.

Senator Kouchi rose to speak in support of the measure with reservations as follows:

"I rise in tepid support of House Bill 1075. Thank you. It's a difficult bill for me to support. In the past, normally, we would have negotiated contracts, cost items, and what the net effect was going to be, and then we'd cast our policy vote. In the Senate Draft 2, it now delegates that authority to the governor and the board to negotiate with the private entity, and my role in determining policy ends after a vote.

"But after much thought, since the public hearing last week and listening to my colleagues from Maui, I think it's important to go forward and explore the option. I know that the emails I've received say, 'What happens to the employees?' or the potential loss of jobs; and I pulled up the press release that indicated the \$28 million shortfall that the Maui hospital will face in the next fiscal year if nothing changes and we don't have the \$28 million in our budget to make up the shortfall: It would immediately result in the loss of 50 to 75 jobs of the nonmedical staff and a re-examination of what services, in fact, could be delivered. And so I think the conversation is important to have.

"There are two other quick items: the S.D. 1 was for privatization to occur in this fashion throughout the whole system and the S.D. 2 made it specific to Maui. If, for some reason, this comes back again and it returns to the form of the S.D. 1, I would not vote to legislate away my policy authority over the hospitals that I represent on Kaua'i. We've not had the level of discussion that has occurred on Maui, and I certainly wouldn't be comfortable in casting that particular vote.

"The other thing, again, that I want to be clear about is that, in fact, the six-month federal law does apply, that this is a closure and the employees minimally will be ensured of their employment for the next six months after any change would be made to allow for the transition. It's certainly difficult for people who live on the neighbor island to find jobs because of the limited market opportunities that exist on the neighbor islands; we're not a jurisdiction where you can simply jump in your car, commute, and go somewhere else. So that's something of concern, but at this point, I will cast a vote with reservations for this measure. Thank you."

Senator Keith-Agaran rose to speak in support of the measure as follows:

“Thank you, Madam President. First, let me thank my colleague for his tepid support; we’ll accept any support. I rise in strong support of this measure. This bill is a framework measure built upon and clarifying the process that this body approved in Act 182 in 2009, specifically for transitioning our public health care facilities to nonprofit, private-sector management and operation.

“As many of my colleagues know and can appreciate, the Hawai‘i Health Systems Corporation, including the three facilities of the Maui region, continues to face serious fiscal challenges. And it’s no secret that the Maui region and its executive management has, since 2009, engaged in exploratory discussions and exchanges with various private-sector organizations with respect to the facilities under its control. Although more than one potential partner organization expressed preliminary interest, it’s become apparent that without further clarifying legislation, substantive negotiations could not proceed. This bill is necessary.

“This measure sets out a structure for a transition process, as well as certain minimal terms and conditions that need to be addressed in an operating lease agreement. Basic division of business liabilities and employment responsibilities are also addressed. This measure also sets out important standards and safeguards for any private-sector nonprofit organization that they will need to meet in order to seek any future support in funding from the state for its operations or capital improvements. Future legislators who review such requests will have the oversight to approve, in whole or in part, or to deny such requested support. This measure, moreover, does not specify or require that the state provide any minimum amount of ongoing financial support for either purpose. Yes, the lease rent is nominal, but a nonprofit private-sector partner would be assuming considerable risk by taking over any operations in their current state without having fixed or guaranteed operating support. It’s not a ‘sweetheart deal’. Moreover, the content of the operating lease, including a 10-year business plan, must be approved by the governor prior to commencement of any transition.

“The hard-working staff at Maui’s facilities are understandably concerned that their positions and terms of employment will be threatened. To them, I have to say that any new private-sector partner would obviously prefer to maintain as many current and capable employees as possible going forward. The bill provides that accrued retirement allowances and vacation leave are protected, as are collective bargaining rights under state and federal law. Change brings initial uncertainty, but the prospect of losing any health care facility on Maui in its entirety is a change that serves no one’s interests. And that change, I’ve come to believe, is a real possibility on Maui if this measure is not passed.

“By itself, this measure does not guarantee that negotiations with any one party will be successful for transition of any of the Maui regional system facilities. It does, however, provide a sufficient framework for any of those negotiations to proceed in a meaningful and substantive manner. This is not a measure that was thrown together in haste. It’s been drafted with input from numerous professionals, including the office of the attorney general, over many weeks, and has been guided by the insights gained over several years of preliminary public-private discussions.

“The Maui region is in urgent need of private-sector participation in management and operating its health care facilities. This measure enables a first step to that participation. I ask that my colleagues support this bill; whether it’s tepid or strong, I ask for your support.”

Senator Slom rose to speak in support of the measure as follows:

“Thank you, Madam President. I was so moved by the previous speaker’s statements, I have to stand up in support of the bill.

“We spent many hours last week hearing from many people who debated this bill, and we’ve actually talked about these circumstances for more than a decade. And for much more than a decade, the state taxpayers have subsidized a failing operation, so it wasn’t something that just happened currently. The only thing that was different was that we kept doing the same thing over and over again, expecting different results – that doesn’t work. The subsidies got larger, and when we looked at the projected subsidies, they were even larger over the next decade.

“We came to a point where the options were very few. We drove away one potential suitor a couple of years ago, and it was because the overwhelming cost for these operations, all of them, are labor costs. And so it’s no surprise that the labor unions were in force and came and testified against this bill. In fact, they’ve testified against any and all changes. They have been unwilling to make any workplace changes, and that put the hospital in a precarious situation, as it has with other facilities as well.

“This is not a perfect solution; I would have preferred the former version that allowed the system-wide changes, but that’s not going to happen. For the union employees, there are many laws and actions in place to protect them, and yet, we still need an option to keep this facility going. The people of Maui are dependent upon it.

“I’m not happy with the fact that there still will be continuing state government subsidy, although it will be reduced from what it is now. But we should get to the point where, in fact, we don’t have subsidies, and different programs, different institutions, are able to actively operate on their own. We don’t have that here, and this is the last gasp we’ve got.

“Fortunately, there is a private partner who has a record of success, a record of financial security, and saving the operations and medical care for all people. So, at this point, it seems to be a no-brainer that we go ahead with this. Certainly, we will watch it; it’ll be under scrutiny, but as far as risk-taking, it’s much better than the alternatives. Thank you.”

Senator Inouye rose to speak in support of the measure with reservations as follows:

“May I have the words of my colleague from Kaua‘i inserted into the Journal as if they were mine? Thank you.” (The Chair so ordered, by reference only.)

Senator Ruderman rose to speak in support of the measure with reservations as follows:

“I’ll also be voting with reservations for the same reasons as the senator from Kaua‘i did. I’m very concerned about it proceeding to the other regions without further review. Thank you, Madam President.”

Senator Baker requested that remarks in support of the measure be entered into the Journal, and the Chair so ordered.

The Chair having so ordered, Senator Baker’s remarks read as follows:

“Madam President, I rise in strong support of HB 1075 HD2 SD2, Relating to Health.

“‘We can’t solve problems using the same kind of thinking we used to create them.’ – Albert Einstein.

“That is what HB 1075 is about – changing the paradigm and changing the thinking and operating model of our Hawai‘i Health Systems Corporation, especially Maui Memorial Medical Center. Maui Memorial Medical Center has been looking at ways to become sustainable for some time. They have implemented cost-saving measures, developed revenue-growing initiatives and proposed alternative solutions to the challenges they are now facing. Without the ability to grow, control their major expense categories, or legally explore alternatives, they have been left with three options: continue to request more subsidies from the State, which appears impossible; get the necessary legislation enacted to move forward with a public private partnership; or cut services and staff to reduce the size and magnitude of the growing deficit.

“As a quasi-state agency, Maui Memorial is hampered by state rules regarding contracting, procurement, recruitment, deploying personnel, and management. These restrictions make it much more difficult to adjust to the changing healthcare environment in a timely manner. Your Committees on Health and Commerce and Consumer Protection heard countless stories about how these rules have hindered the hospital’s ability to operate effectively. Dr. Nicole Apoliona, Medical Director of Kula Hospital and Clinic, spoke of her 1.5 year long struggle to ‘recruit a quality, appropriate family physician to an attractive full time outpatient position at Kula clinic.’ Such state rules and processes are preventing our hospitals from surviving and thriving as they seek to deliver high quality sustainable healthcare.

“Despite what you may have heard, representatives of the Maui Memorial Medical Center employees have not been willing to sit down to discuss work rules or any other adjustments to accommodate Maui Memorial Medical Center or other Hawai‘i Health System Corporation facilities. As each session has come to a close without the passage of enabling legislation, Maui Memorial has faced greater difficulties in maintaining quality services and recruiting providers to our Maui community. Updated physician workforce data estimates that Maui County is 113 physicians short for our population. The current fiscal crisis has added to our inability to recruit physicians to our medical community, leading us toward even larger physician shortages. As each year passes, Maui Memorial becomes less and less attractive to a private partner. The time to act is now, before the situation gets even worse.

“Maui Memorial Medical Center is the only acute care hospital on Maui Island and in Maui County. This isn’t something that many O‘ahu residents can even begin to understand. On O‘ahu, you practically can walk from one acute care hospital to another. There isn’t another option for patients on Maui. Maui Memorial Medical Center is a level 1 trauma center, the second busiest emergency department in the state. Maui Memorial provides a full range of necessary medical services for our county from obstetrics to stroke care to cardiac services, behavioral health, surgery, and all the ancillary services required for accreditation. What services would you cut? That’s what is facing our community without HB1075. The Maui Regional Hospital Board has authorized \$28 million in cuts to meet their current deficits. Those cuts will set services for our community back 20 years. It will be a gut-wrenching process when Maui Memorial begins to decide what services will be eliminated. Let’s not let it get to that point. Do not let this opportunity slip through our fingers yet again.

“I know employees are concerned about their jobs and their futures. Change is difficult. For me, I’d rather look to a future that has hope and optimism rather than one going in the wrong direction. HB1075 offers that hope and optimism; without it, there certainly will be loss of jobs, loss of services, and a lower quality of healthcare and a devastating impact on our community and our state.

“I ask you to join me to give Maui Memorial Medical Center an opportunity to continue pursuing a thriving healthcare delivery system for Maui residents and visitors in a way that keeps jobs on Maui and services growing. Maui residents deserve access to a sustainable excellent healthcare system. Colleagues please join me in voting in support of HB1075 HD2 SD2. Mahalo.”

The motion was put by the Chair and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1548 was adopted and H.B. No. 1075, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, entitled: “A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH,” having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 24; Ayes with Reservations (Dela Cruz, Espero, Harimoto, Inouye, Kahele, Kidani, Kouchi, Nishihara, Ruderman, Shimabukuro). Noes, 1 (Taniguchi).

At 10:54 a.m., the Senate stood in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

The Senate reconvened at 10:59 a.m.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1549 (H.B. No. 321, H.D. 1, S.D. 2):

Senator Keith-Agaran moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1549 be adopted and H.B. No. 321, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, having been read throughout, pass Third Reading, seconded by Senator Tokuda.

Senator Keith-Agaran rose to speak in support of the measure as follows:

“Thank you, Madam Chair. I do want to point out to my colleagues: There is an error in the committee report. There’s a misstatement on the total amount of the proposed tax in this bill. It states ‘25 and 15’; it should be a total of 25.”

Senator Slom rose to speak in opposition to the measure as follows:

“First of all, I certainly support the intent because I was the thirteenth vote on this Senate floor 15 years ago to authorize medical marijuana. But this is not about medical marijuana. It’s not about compassion. It’s not about helping the people who need medical care. It’s about tax! Yeah, the committee report was wrong, but it’s 15 percent plus 10 percent, plus fees, plus county bond and other measures. It’s about the tax. It’s about money. It’s not about compassion.

“So let’s get back to the original idea, if we’re going to have a dispensary or dispensaries. Let’s talk about them, but let’s not talk about more taxes. We’re seeing right now some of the problems that have developed in Colorado and Washington State, where, again, it was about the money. So, I’m all for helping people have access – legitimate people who have the cards who need the access – but not about these additional taxes. Thank you.”

Senator Green rose to speak in strong support of the measure as follows:

“So this measure, from my perspective, with respect to the Minority, really is about getting medical marijuana dispensaries going for the State of Hawai‘i. It was really a very simple parameter to this Health chair that I wanted to focus on, which was that any patient in the state who needs medical marijuana from their provider be able to get it.

“So, everyone will have an opportunity to review the details of what’s become a pretty large bill, but the essential focus is that each county can get a license and get dispensaries going so that, if you live on Big Island – if you live on Maui, Kaua‘i, and obviously, O‘ahu – you can get medical marijuana. A lot of people have cancer; they’ve got severe pain; they don’t want to take a lot of narcotics. They might have HIV/AIDS and have

nausea. The goal is to make sure that any patient can get it. In the measure, people should note that any physician will be able to okay a card; that was clarified from previous years of legislation to make sure that anyone who goes to any of their providers can access this medicine if it's necessary for them.

"We will have that debate about the tax, of course, in conference committee, but, from my perspective, it's about setting up a sane program. We've spent a lot of time with the law enforcement community, the attorney general, and the Department of Health, who now regulates this industry – we moved them over to DOH last year. We spent a lot of time getting their best input on how they could start a program expeditiously. This bill will have people get their licenses, start dispensaries, and be able to give the medicine to the patients by early 2016, as opposed to a several-year process, which was threatened if the bill was too large in the first year.

"So as people review it, there obviously will be very vibrant, important discussion about details, but the only way to start a program in a sensible, solid way is to start it modestly, but to do it in every county for all the patients. That's what this measure is, and that's why I support it. Thank you, Madam President."

Senator Riviere rose to speak in support of the measure with reservations as follows:

"My reservations are with the tax. If we're going to be providing medicine, it seems unreasonable that we should single this out to charge a high tax that we do not charge on other medicines. Thank you."

Senator Espero rose to speak in support of the measure with reservations as follows:

"As the senator from the North Shore also stated, I do believe that we should be taking out the tax element. This is about medicinal use for our residents, and it is not, as the senator from East Honolulu said, about taxes. It never has been about taxes; it has been about common sense and compassion. And hopefully, we can take the tax part out in conference. Thank you."

Senator Ruderman rose to speak in support of the measure as follows:

"I support this bill and I appreciate all the work that's been done in bringing it to this point, but I do want to express my concerns, although I'll be voting in full support. I share the concerns as previously expressed about, effectively, a 25 percent tax. I mean, either this really is medicine or it's not, and if it really is medicine, it seems a little harsh to impose a 25 percent tax, which we don't impose on any other medicines.

"I also have concerns about the threshold to become a licensee. One of my concerns is having to control \$2 million; I understand the need for stability in any potential licensee, but that seems a little excessive. And I'm very concerned with the detail of a \$25,000 nonrefundable deposit simply to apply. That means if 10 people in one county apply, 9 of them are going to lose 25,000 bucks just for the opportunity to apply. That's just not reasonable. I hope that that gets fixed in conference, and once again, I fully support the bill and I really appreciate all the work that's been done on it. Thank you."

Senator English rose to speak in support of the measure as follows:

"Madam President, I rise in support of the measure and just want to point out that many other states have gone to straight legalization, and once that happens, then this whole debate becomes moot. So I hope that in the future, we would take up the legalization of marijuana, a question which will then, of course, end all of this discussion, because then anybody can obtain this as they wish. Thank you."

The motion was put by the Chair and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1549 was adopted and H.B. No. 321, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MEDICAL MARIJUANA," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 23; Ayes with Reservations (Espero, Harimoto, Riviere). Noes, 2 (Kouchi, Slom).

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1550 (H.B. No. 124, H.D. 2, S.D. 2):

Senator Tokuda moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1550 be adopted and H.B. No. 124, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, having been read throughout, pass Third Reading, seconded by Senator Kouchi.

Senator Slom rose to speak in opposition to the measure as follows:

"Thank you. While I certainly want to make it easier to vote, I don't think that that's the reason we have a low voter turnout, and I'm concerned about our state Office of Elections and their past record of dysfunctionality and the fact that we don't have curbs or controls or oversight for potential fraud. Thank you."

The motion was put by the Chair and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1550 was adopted and H.B. No. 124, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 24. Noes, 1 (Slom).

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1553 (H.B. No. 145, H.D. 1, S.D. 2):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1553 was adopted and H.B. No. 145, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 24. Noes, 1 (Slom).

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1557 (H.B. No. 1366, S.D. 2):

Senator Tokuda moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1557 be adopted and H.B. No. 1366, S.D. 2, having been read throughout, pass Third Reading, seconded by Senator Kouchi.

Senator Slom rose to speak in opposition to the measure as follows:

"Questions that I raised during the Ways and Means Committee have not been answered. The point is, this bill has really been rushed; it was changed from its original format. And while I support, generally, the idea of moving state-leased departments into state-owned properties – we have state-owned properties – we still don't have a complete inventory of all of those properties and we don't have a complete breakdown on the costs of the acquisition of this building. We were supposed to have a walk-through, and I understand that's been postponed, but my concerns are: What is the investment value of this building with 40 percent vacancy rates at this time and with the majority of tenants being government operations? What is the ground lease rent? What is the term remaining? What are the costs of CAM – common area maintenance? What are the fiduciary responsibilities and liabilities for the state if we take this over? I'm all for exploring the possibility of doing this, but rushing through, and particularly when we're talking about a potential appropriation of \$90 million to \$100 million, should raise more questions among my colleagues. Thank you."

The motion was put by the Chair and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1557 was adopted and H.B. No. 1366, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO STATE ACQUISITION OR DEVELOPMENT OF REAL

PROPERTY,” having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 23; Ayes with Reservations (Green, Harimoto, Ihara, Nishihara, Riviere, Ruderman, Thielen, Wakai). Noes, 2 (Gabbard, Slom).

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1558 (H.B. No. 1471, H.D. 2, S.D. 2):

On motion by Senator Tokuda, seconded by Senator Kouchi and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1558 was adopted and H.B. No. 1471, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, entitled: “A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE FUNDING OF GOVERNMENT PROGRAMS,” having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1560 (H.B. No. 134, H.D. 1, S.D. 2):

Senator Tokuda moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1560 be adopted and H.B. No. 134, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, having been read throughout, pass Third Reading, seconded by Senator Kouchi.

Senator Slom rose to speak in strong opposition to the measure as follows:

“Thank you, Madam President. I rise in opposition – strong, *strong* opposition. Thank you very much. We’ve heard all of the arguments, starting with the fact that the City and County of Honolulu has broken its promise to the taxpayers and to the federal government. It has not completed what it was supposed to complete, and we started out with a project that had an estimated cost of \$3 billion, and then we went to \$5 billion, then we went to \$6 billion, and now the mayor and HART want to extend the project – as well as extending the surcharge – to Kapolei and to the University of Hawai‘i at a cost of \$10 billion.

“You know, at some point, we have to say no and we have to represent the taxpayers. We’re not paying for this extension; the taxpayers are. Our governor said that it’s premature to ask for it now: We’re in 2015; the current surcharge goes till 2022. Why do we have to now extend it another five years, or, as the mayor wants, ad infinitum, or he’ll settle for 25 years. We can’t do this; this is real money.

“We talk about the surcharge being only one-half of 1 percent, but in fact, it’s not: It’s a 12.5 percent tax increase. It is a regressive tax; it hurts the poorest of the poor among us, and we wonder why homelessness increases, our human services increase – welfare, food stamps, all of that. People can’t pay this. Our economy has not turned around.

“And so it is foolish for us, at this point in time, in 2015, to say that, yeah, whatever money you want, we’re going to give it to you. I know that the city and HART are hoping that in conference, they’ll get even more, they’ll get a better deal than our particular extension, but our extension is bad enough. We shouldn’t do this. Colleagues, I urge you to listen to your constituents, to listen to fiscal reality, and vote ‘no’ on this bill. Thank you.”

The motion was put by the Chair and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1560 was adopted and H.B. No. 134, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, entitled: “A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION,” having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 22; Ayes with Reservations (Gabbard, Ihara, Keith-Agaran, Ruderman, Wakai). Noes, 3 (Riviere, Slom, Thielen).

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR

The following messages from the Governor (Gov. Msg. Nos. 862 to 868) were read by the Clerk and were disposed of as follows:

Gov. Msg. No. 862, letter dated April 10, 2015, correcting the seat position on Gov. Msg. No. 601, was placed on file.

Gov. Msg. No. 863, informing the Senate that on April 10, 2015, the Governor withdrew the nomination of DAVID PETERS to the Board of Directors of the Hawai‘i Health Systems Corporation, under Gov. Msg. No. 791 dated April 2, 2015, from consideration by the Senate, was placed on file.

In compliance with Gov. Msg. No. 863, the nomination listed under Gov. Msg. No. 791 was returned.

Gov. Msg. No. 864, informing the Senate that on April 10, 2015, the Governor withdrew the nomination of MELISSA PAVLICEK to the Procurement Policy Nominating Committee, under Gov. Msg. No. 794 dated April 3, 2015, from consideration by the Senate, was placed on file.

In compliance with Gov. Msg. No. 864, the nomination listed under Gov. Msg. No. 794 was returned.

Gov. Msg. No. 865, informing the Senate that on April 10, 2015, the Governor withdrew the nomination of DEXTER ARTIENDA to the Juvenile Justice State Advisory Council, under Gov. Msg. No. 695 dated April 2, 2015, from consideration by the Senate, was placed on file.

In compliance with Gov. Msg. No. 865, the nomination listed under Gov. Msg. No. 695 was returned.

Gov. Msg. No. 866, informing the Senate that on April 10, 2015, the Governor withdrew the nomination of NOA EMMETT ALULI to the Kaho‘olawe Island Reserve Commission, under Gov. Msg. No. 835 dated March 23, 2015, from consideration by the Senate, was placed on file.

In compliance with Gov. Msg. No. 866, the nomination listed under Gov. Msg. No. 835 was returned.

Gov. Msg. No. 867, informing the Senate that on April 9, 2015, the Governor withdrew the nomination of LAURA CHOCK to the Board of Acupuncture, under Gov. Msg. No. 555 dated March 30, 2015, from consideration by the Senate, was placed on file.

In compliance with Gov. Msg. No. 867, the nomination listed under Gov. Msg. No. 555 was returned.

At this time, the Chair stated:

“Members, in light of the large volume of nominations to executive branch positions, boards, and commissions this year and the transition to a new administration, last week the Senate extended the deadline for the governor to transmit advise and consent appointments to this body. This was the first time the Senate ever granted an extension of this deadline. If an extension had not been granted, though, the governor could have made interim appointments to these boards and commissions, but the Senate would not have had the opportunity to fulfill its statutory responsibility regarding these nominations.

“But, members, one additional nomination to the Land Use Commission inadvertently missed the transmittal deadline last week, so in light of the circumstances, and if there are no objections from the members, the Chair will once again extend the deadline and amend the Senate Internal Timetable for the governor to submit advise and consent messages until 5:00 p.m. tonight. I just want to make a note: This is not something we

take lightly, but in light of all of the circumstances that have happened, that's the recommendation."

Gov. Msg. No. 868, submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Land Use Commission, the nomination of JONATHAN SCHEUER, term to expire June 30, 2016, was referred to the Committee on Water and Land.

HOUSE COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications from the House (Hse. Com. Nos. 436 to 467) were read by the Clerk and were disposed of as follows:

Hse. Com. No. 436, informing the Senate that on April 10, 2015, the House disagreed to the amendments proposed by the Senate to the following House bills:

H.B. No. 79, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1);
H.B. No. 140, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1);
H.B. No. 171, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1);
H.B. No. 172, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1);
H.B. No. 241 (S.D. 1);
H.B. No. 623, H.D. 2 (S.D. 2);
H.B. No. 707 (S.D. 1);
H.B. No. 715, H.D. 1 (S.D. 2);
H.B. No. 1186, H.D. 2 (S.D. 1);
H.B. No. 1219, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1);
H.B. No. 1273, H.D. 2 (S.D. 2);
H.B. No. 1286, H.D. 2 (S.D. 2);
H.B. No. 1368 (S.D. 1); and
H.B. No. 1497, H.D. 1 (S.D. 2),

was placed on file.

Hse. Com. No. 437, returning S.B. No. 114, S.D. 1, which passed Third Reading in the House of Representatives on April 10, 2015, was placed on file.

Hse. Com. No. 438, returning S.B. No. 729, which passed Third Reading in the House of Representatives on April 10, 2015, was placed on file.

Hse. Com. No. 439, returning S.B. No. 1098, S.D. 1, which passed Third Reading in the House of Representatives on April 10, 2015, was placed on file.

Hse. Com. No. 440, returning S.B. No. 1106, S.D. 2, which passed Third Reading in the House of Representatives on April 10, 2015, was placed on file.

Hse. Com. No. 441, returning S.B. No. 1118, S.D. 1, which passed Third Reading in the House of Representatives on April 10, 2015, was placed on file.

Hse. Com. No. 442, returning S.B. No. 1141, S.D. 1, which passed Third Reading in the House of Representatives on April 10, 2015, was placed on file.

Hse. Com. No. 443, returning S.B. No. 139, S.D. 1, as amended in H.D. 1, which passed Third Reading in the House of Representatives on April 10, 2015, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, action on S.B. No. 139, S.D. 1 (H.D. 1), entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CIVIL SERVICE EXEMPTIONS," was deferred until Thursday, April 16, 2015.

Hse. Com. No. 444, returning S.B. No. 233, S.D. 1, as amended in H.D. 1, which passed Third Reading in the House of Representatives on April 10, 2015, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, action on S.B. No. 233, S.D. 1 (H.D. 1), entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION," was deferred until Thursday, April 16, 2015.

Hse. Com. No. 445, returning S.B. No. 283, S.D. 1, as amended in H.D. 1, which passed Third Reading in the House of Representatives on April 10, 2015, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, action on S.B. No. 283, S.D. 1 (H.D. 1), entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII TOURISM AUTHORITY," was deferred until Thursday, April 16, 2015.

Hse. Com. No. 446, returning S.B. No. 569, S.D. 1, as amended in H.D. 1, which passed Third Reading in the House of Representatives on April 10, 2015, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, action on S.B. No. 569, S.D. 1 (H.D. 1), entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THEFT," was deferred until Thursday, April 16, 2015.

Hse. Com. No. 447, returning S.B. No. 589, S.D. 2, as amended in H.D. 2, which passed Third Reading in the House of Representatives on April 10, 2015, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, action on S.B. No. 589, S.D. 2 (H.D. 2), entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE," was deferred until Thursday, April 16, 2015.

Hse. Com. No. 448, returning S.B. No. 611, S.D. 1, as amended in H.D. 2, which passed Third Reading in the House of Representatives on April 10, 2015, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, action on S.B. No. 611, S.D. 1 (H.D. 2), entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO USE OF INTOXICANTS WHILE OPERATING A VEHICLE," was deferred until Thursday, April 16, 2015.

Hse. Com. No. 449, returning S.B. No. 841, S.D. 2, as amended in H.D. 2, which passed Third Reading in the House of Representatives on April 10, 2015, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, action on S.B. No. 841, S.D. 2 (H.D. 2), entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SCHOOL HEALTH," was deferred until Thursday, April 16, 2015.

Hse. Com. No. 450, returning S.B. No. 971, S.D. 1, as amended in H.D. 1, which passed Third Reading in the House of Representatives on April 10, 2015, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, action on S.B. No. 971, S.D. 1 (H.D. 1), entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION," was deferred until Thursday, April 16, 2015.

Hse. Com. No. 451, returning S.B. No. 974, S.D. 1, as amended in H.D. 1, which passed Third Reading in the House of Representatives on April 10, 2015, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, action on S.B. No. 974, S.D. 1 (H.D. 1), entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE RENTAL HOUSING TRUST FUND," was deferred until Thursday, April 16, 2015.

Hse. Com. No. 452, returning S.B. No. 982, S.D. 1, as amended in H.D. 2, which passed Third Reading in the House of Representatives on April 10, 2015, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, action on S.B. No. 982, S.D. 1 (H.D. 2), entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MEDICAL AMNESTY," was deferred until Thursday, April 16, 2015.

Hse. Com. No. 453, returning S.B. No. 1062, S.D. 2, as amended in H.D. 1, which passed Third Reading in the House of Representatives on April 10, 2015, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, action on S.B. No. 1062, S.D. 2 (H.D. 1), entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE BIOSECURITY PROGRAM," was deferred until Thursday, April 16, 2015.

Hse. Com. No. 454, returning S.B. No. 1074, S.D. 1, as amended in H.D. 1, which passed Third Reading in the House of Representatives on April 10, 2015, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, action on S.B. No. 1074, S.D. 1 (H.D. 1), entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO STATE PLANNING," was deferred until Thursday, April 16, 2015.

Hse. Com. No. 455, returning S.B. No. 1076, S.D. 1, as amended in H.D. 1, which passed Third Reading in the House of Representatives on April 10, 2015, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, action on S.B. No. 1076, S.D. 1 (H.D. 1), entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING COST ITEMS," was deferred until Thursday, April 16, 2015.

Hse. Com. No. 456, returning S.B. No. 1077, S.D. 1, as amended in H.D. 1, which passed Third Reading in the House of Representatives on April 10, 2015, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, action on S.B. No. 1077, S.D. 1 (H.D. 1), entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING COST ITEMS," was deferred until Thursday, April 16, 2015.

Hse. Com. No. 457, returning S.B. No. 1078, S.D. 1, as amended in H.D. 1, which passed Third Reading in the House of Representatives on April 10, 2015, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, action on S.B. No. 1078, S.D. 1 (H.D. 1), entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING COST ITEMS," was deferred until Thursday, April 16, 2015.

Hse. Com. No. 458, returning S.B. No. 1079, S.D. 1, as amended in H.D. 1, which passed Third Reading in the House of Representatives on April 10, 2015, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, action on S.B. No. 1079, S.D. 1 (H.D. 1), entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING COST ITEMS," was deferred until Thursday, April 16, 2015.

Hse. Com. No. 459, returning S.B. No. 1080, S.D. 1, as amended in H.D. 1, which passed Third Reading in the House of Representatives on April 10, 2015, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, action on S.B. No. 1080, S.D. 1 (H.D. 1), entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING COST ITEMS," was deferred until Thursday, April 16, 2015.

Hse. Com. No. 460, returning S.B. No. 1081, S.D. 1, as amended in H.D. 1, which passed Third Reading in the House of Representatives on April 10, 2015, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, action on S.B. No. 1081, S.D. 1 (H.D. 1), entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING COST ITEMS," was deferred until Thursday, April 16, 2015.

Hse. Com. No. 461, returning S.B. No. 1082, S.D. 1, as amended in H.D. 1, which passed Third Reading in the House of Representatives on April 10, 2015, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, action on S.B. No. 1082, S.D. 1 (H.D. 1), entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING COST ITEMS," was deferred until Thursday, April 16, 2015.

Hse. Com. No. 462, returning S.B. No. 1083, S.D. 1, as amended in H.D. 1, which passed Third Reading in the House of Representatives on April 10, 2015, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, action on S.B. No. 1083, S.D. 1 (H.D. 1), entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING COST ITEMS," was deferred until Thursday, April 16, 2015.

Hse. Com. No. 463, returning S.B. No. 1084, S.D. 1, as amended in H.D. 1, which passed Third Reading in the House of Representatives on April 10, 2015, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, action on S.B. No. 1084, S.D. 1 (H.D. 1), entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING COST ITEMS," was deferred until Thursday, April 16, 2015.

Hse. Com. No. 464, returning S.B. No. 1090, S.D. 2, as amended in H.D. 1, which passed Third Reading in the House of Representatives on April 10, 2015, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, action on S.B. No. 1090, S.D. 2, (H.D. 1), entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM," was deferred until Thursday, April 16, 2015.

Hse. Com. No. 465, returning S.B. No. 1107, as amended in H.D. 2, which passed Third Reading in the House of Representatives on April 10, 2015, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, action on S.B. No. 1107 (H.D. 2), entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION FOR GENERAL ASSISTANCE," was deferred until Thursday, April 16, 2015.

Hse. Com. No. 466, returning S.B. No. 1156, S.D. 1, as amended in H.D. 1, which passed Third Reading in the House of Representatives on April 10, 2015, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, action on S.B. No. 1156, S.D. 1 (H.D. 1), entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO STATUTORY REVISION: AMENDING OR REPEALING VARIOUS PROVISIONS OF THE HAWAII REVISED STATUTES AND THE SESSION LAWS OF HAWAII FOR THE PURPOSES OF CORRECTING ERRORS AND REFERENCES, CLARIFYING LANGUAGE, AND DELETING OBSOLETE OR UNNECESSARY PROVISIONS," was deferred until Thursday, April 16, 2015.

Hse. Com. No. 467, returning S.B. No. 1166, S.D. 2, as amended in H.D. 2, which passed Third Reading in the House of Representatives on April 10, 2015, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, action on S.B. No. 1166, S.D. 2 (H.D. 2), entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE PENAL CODE," was deferred until Thursday, April 16, 2015.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Senator Tokuda, for the Committee on Ways and Means, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1561) recommending that S.R. No. 126, S.D. 1 be adopted.

By unanimous consent, action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1561 and S.R. No. 126, S.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO ESTABLISH A VOLUNTARY FARM TO SCHOOL PROGRAM," was deferred until Thursday, April 16, 2015.

Senator Ruderman, for the Committee on Agriculture, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1562) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of SCOTT ENRIGHT as Chairperson of the Department of Agriculture, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 501.

In accordance with Senate Rule 37(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1562 and Gov. Msg. No. 501 was deferred until Thursday, April 16, 2015.

Senator Ruderman, for the Committee on Agriculture, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1563) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of PHYLLIS SHIMABUKURO-GEISER as Deputy Chairperson of the Department of Agriculture, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 502.

In accordance with Senate Rule 37(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1563 and Gov. Msg. No. 502 was deferred until Thursday, April 16, 2015.

REFERRAL OF HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

The President made the following committee assignments of House concurrent resolutions received on Friday, April 10, 2015:

H.C.R. No.:	Referred to:
H.C.R. No. 7, H.D. 2	Jointly to the Committee on Health and the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, then jointly to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor and the Committee on Ways and Means
H.C.R. No. 29	Committee on Ways and Means
H.C.R. No. 42, H.D. 1	Jointly to the Committee on Economic Development and Technology and the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
H.C.R. No. 48, H.D. 1	Jointly to the Committee on Tourism and International Affairs and the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
H.C.R. No. 55	Committee on Government Operations, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
H.C.R. No. 59, H.D. 1	Committee on Tourism and International Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
H.C.R. No. 66	Jointly to the Committee on Energy and Environment and the Committee on Health and the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs
H.C.R. No. 76	Committee on Water and Land, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
H.C.R. No. 86, H.D. 1	Jointly to the Committee on Water and Land and the Committee on Economic Development and Technology
H.C.R. No. 112	Jointly to the Committee on Energy and Environment and the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs
H.C.R. No. 126	Jointly to the Committee on Energy and Environment and the Committee on Health and the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs
H.C.R. No. 130	Jointly to the Committee on Water and Land and the Committee on Transportation

H.C.R. No. 149, H.D. 1 Committee on Hawaiian Affairs, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor

H.C.R. No. 154 Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

H.C.R. No. 167, H.D. 1 Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

H.C.R. No. 193, H.D. 1 Committee on Transportation

H.C.R. No. 205 Jointly to the Committee on Energy and Environment and the Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor

H.C.R. No. 212 Jointly to the Committee on Agriculture and the Committee on Hawaiian Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

H.C.R. No. 217, H.D. 1 Jointly to the Committee on Hawaiian Affairs and the Committee on Judiciary and Labor

H.C.R. No. 226 Jointly to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor and the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

At this time, Senator Riviere announced that his office would be auctioning off prints of Bill Braden's "The Best Beaches of Hawai'i" series to support the Hawai'i Foodbank, and encouraged the members' support.

Senator Baker announced that the doughnuts from the sale to benefit the Maui Food Bank were available in her office.

ADJOURNMENT

At 11:17 a.m., on motion by Senator Green, seconded by Senator Slom and carried, the Senate adjourned until 11:30 a.m., Thursday, April 16, 2015.