THIRTY-FIRST DAY

Thursday, March 17, 2016

The Senate of the Twenty-Eighth Legislature of the State of Hawai'i, Regular Session of 2016, convened at 11:38 a.m. with the President in the Chair.

The Roll was called showing all Senators present.

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

At this time, Senator Tokuda introduced Erin Akamine, an eleventh-grade student at Kaua'i High School, who was serving as an intern in Senate President Kouchi's office that day.

Senator Kidani rose and stated:

"Thank you, Mr. President. As I noted yesterday, we are beginning Education Week activities today. Our special guests with us on the floor this morning are leaders on their respective campuses, very much to the benefit of their teachers and students. We will all have a chance in a few moments to greet them personally. First, let me call on my fellow senator – in place of Senator Dela Cruz, who is tied up in traffic – I'm going to ask Senator Galuteria, please."

Senator Galuteria, on behalf of Senator Dela Cruz, congratulated and honored Winston Sakurai for being named a National Association of Secondary School Principals Digital Principal for 2016, and presented the following remarks:

"Thank you, Mr. President, and thank you, Senator O'Kidani. Mahalo. We have with us here today Winston Sakurai, Upper School principal at Hanalani Schools, who was named one of three principals nationwide as a National Association of Secondary School Principals Digital Principal of the Year for 2016. Please rise, Mr. Sakurai – thank you.

"The NASSP Digital Principal Award program was created in 2012 to recognize excellence in technology leadership. Mr. Sakurai was also selected as a NASSP Hawaii Principal of the Year for 2016 by the Hawaii Association of Secondary School Administrators. The last time this award was given to a private school principal was in 2001.

"As principal of the Upper Schools at Hanalani Schools, Mr. Sakurai launched a Schools of the Future initiative, in which students harness technology to tackle real-world challenges. This modernization plan spawned an online science fair, where students collaborate on projects that are judged virtually by science experts around the world. Also, under Mr. Sakurai's leadership, Hanalani's robotics team has won the Hawai'i Botball Tournament championship six years consecutively and also won the International Botball Tournament in back-to-back years.

"Mr. Sakurai believes that using digital tools, along with teaching the six critical skills of collaborative leadership, critical thinking, creativity, cultural communication, competence, and digital citizenship, inspire students to be leaders on a local, national, and global stage and equipped for any challenge. We extend our congratulations to Winston Sakurai on being named the National Association of Secondary School Principals Digital Principal of the year for 2016 - he gets paid by the syllable, I guess - and we further extend our best wishes for continued excellence in all of his endeavors. Please, another round of applause for Mr. Sakurai from Hanalani Schools. Thank you. Mr. President, I now yield the floor to Senator Ruderman."

Senator Ruderman congratulated Principal Dean Cevallos on receiving the 2015 Masayuki Tokioka Excellence in School Leadership Award, and presented the following remarks:

"Thank you, Mr. President. It's my privilege and honor to recognize Dean Cevallos, principal of Kea'au High School and winner of the 2015 Masayuki Tokioka Excellence in School Leadership Award. I also recognize Dean because he's a longtime friend and neighbor; he and I were neighbors in the most rural subdivision I think anyone on this floor could possibly imagine in lower Puna.

"The 2015 Masayuki Tokioka Excellence in School Leadership Award, designated by the Island Insurance Foundation, is presented to a public school principal who is a visionary leader, community-minded, and embodies an entrepreneurial spirit. As principal of Kea'au High School, Dean Cevallos's mission is to ensure that every student has a smooth transition to high school and is encouraged to attend college with the necessary support to meet their highest potential. Dean Cevallos has implemented numerous programs to improve student outcomes, including a ninth-grade college prep class, tutoring programs, and a senior school level counselor to help students and parents access funding and apply for college. In addition, his tireless efforts have reduced school suspensions by 50 percent.

"Having transformed Kea'au High School into one of the top high schools in the state, Dean Cevallos is an inspiration to others in public education and exemplifies the type of leadership needed to create a model learning institution. Can we welcome Dean Cevallos once again, please? Mr. President, I yield the floor to Senator Riviere."

Senator Riviere honored and recognized Principal Malaea Wetzel of Hale'iwa Elementary School for being named Hawai'i's 2015 National Distinguished Principal, and presented the following remarks:

"Thank you, Mr. President. Members, folks in the gallery: It's my privilege today to introduce and speak about Malaea Wetzel from Hale'iwa; could you please stand up and be acknowledged? Thank you. And it gives me great pleasure to speak about Malaea because – I'll tell you a very short story here. In 1998, the Waialua Sugar Mill ceased operations, and for the next several years, our area, our community, went through a very great change in the community. It was, shall I say, 'withering.' There was an uncertainty about the future in Waialua, Hale'iwa, in the area. So, through the 2000s, Hale'iwa Elementary was kind of in a, shall I say, in an unstable situation. The numbers of students were dropping; people were seeking exemptions to get out of the school to go to other schools. And it was really not in a very good situation at that time.

"In 2009, Malaea came along and turned everything around. Instantly, I would say, it seemed like the morale of the school turned around. The faculty was excited; there were people now starting to perform better. In one year, she turned the numbers around; the testing grades - turned them around dramatically. And in 2010, when the Department of Education considered shutting down Hale'iwa Elementary - you'll remember that a few years ago, there was an effort to pare down the schools; Hale'iwa was on the chopping block. But because she had come around at the right time with the right ability to lead, the community rallied behind and supported the keeping open of Hale'iwa Elementary, and with her calm leadership, that was achieved. And I'm proud to say – I just asked her today: They were down in the hundreds, maybe 160 students; now they're up to 260. I keep forgetting the number, but they keep rising -220. The numbers are rising, Hale'iwa has a great tradition

again, and it's in large part to the 2015 National Distinguished Principal from Hawai'i. So, ladies and gentlemen, please, once again, for Malaea Wetzel. Thank you. Mr. President, I yield the floor back to the senator from Mililani, please."

Senator Kidani rose and stated:

"Thank you, Senator Riviere. Mr. President, the nationwide Blue Ribbon Schools recognition program measures schools based on state assessments and national testing standards. Three schools in Hawai'i scored high enough to be recognized this year for student achievement and growth, for student readiness, and for progress toward closing achievement gaps.

"It is always the case that good schools are the result of good leadership. With us this morning are senior administrators from Hawai'i's Blue Ribbon schools. The first of our schools to be recognized today is Haha'ione Elementary, in the district represented by Senator Sam Slom."

Senator Slom recognized and congratulated Haha'ione Elementary School on its nomination as a 2015 Blue Ribbon school, and presented the following remarks:

"Thank you, Mr. President. Thank you, Senator Kidani. It certainly is true that leadership is what good schools are all about, and we're very proud that Haha'ione is one of the three schools to be recognized this year as one of Hawai'i's 2015 Blue Ribbon Schools nominees. And this is in recognition of exceptional achievement gains and improvement efforts. And I'd like to ask the principal to please stand: Mr. Shannon Goo. He has the right name for today, right?

"Anyway, Haha'ione Elementary School meets the performance criteria as an exemplary high-performing school, having also shown improvements under the Hawai'i State Department of Education's Strive HI Performance System, which evaluates schools on key success indicators, such as student achievement and growth, readiness, and progress toward closing achievement gaps. Haha'ione Elementary School offers a shining example of what is possible when educators, families, and the communities rally behind a goal of student accomplishment and achievement, equipping the students for school and for their success. Haha'ione Elementary School students are empowered to develop and ask questions, investigate, research, analyze, and synthesize information to solve problems and demonstrate knowledge as part of the school's International Baccalaureate World Schools program. Haha'ione Elementary School in the 2013-2014 school year had its student proficiency, growth, readiness, and achievement gap rank in the top 5 percent of Hawai'i's schools, so we congratulate them and Principal Goo. And up in the gallery, one of the teachers at Haha'ione, if I could ask her to stand: Ms. Joan Ogata. Please welcome them, and congratulations. Thank you. I now yield to Senator Nishihara."

Senator Nishihara recognized and congratulated Palisades Elementary School on its nomination as a 2015 Blue Ribbon school, and presented the following remarks:

"Thank you. Mr. President and colleagues, it's a great honor for me to introduce the principal for Palisades Elementary School, Mr. Gavin Tsue. Palisades Elementary School kind of reminds me of a neighbor island school, like when I grew up in Makawao. It's nestled on the west-side slope of the beautiful Koʻolau mountain range. It's one of three Blue Ribbon elementary schools in Hawaiʻi that's been recognized by the DOE for achieving superior standards of academic excellence. The award affirms the hard work of students, educators, families, and communities in creating safe and welcoming schools where students master challenging content.

"In its over 50 years, Palisades Elementary School continues to strive and succeed in the mission of preparing its students to overcome the challenges of an ever-changing community, state, and world and live fulfilling, productive lives. So, at this time, the Senate recognizes and honors Palisades Elementary School on the auspicious occasion of being named as one of the three 2015 Blue Ribbon public elementary schools, and joins the rest of the Pearl City community and its citizens and the State of Hawai'i in celebrating this historic event.

"Again, can we just recognize Principal Tsue? Thank you. He's an excellent principal; I've visited his campus a number of times, and I'd also like to congratulate the faculty and staff of Palisades Elementary School for their contributions for education and development of youth in Hawai'i. Thank you, Mr. President. I'd like to yield the floor to the good senator from the windward district, Senator Jill Tokuda."

Senator Tokuda recognized and congratulated Ka'elepulu Elementary School on its nomination as a 2015 Blue Ribbon school, and presented the following remarks:

"Thank you, Senator Nishihara. Good morning, colleagues. It is my pleasure to recognize and congratulate Ka'elepulu Elementary School for being one of three Hawai'i schools being nominated as a 2015 Blue Ribbon School. The national Blue Ribbon Schools program honors public and private schools throughout the country consistently making strides toward academic excellence and improvement. On the floor representing them is Laurie Ines, an academic coach from Ka'elepulu.

"Ka'elepulu Elementary credits its success in part to its unique 16 Habits of Mind initiative, a set of problem-solving tools and life skills incorporated into all aspects of the curriculum. This initiative allows teachers to develop and implement lesson plans comprised of various real-life applications, thus encouraging critical thinking amongst all of its students.

"Ka'elepulu Elementary also provides its students with a multitude of extracurricular opportunities to participate in, including a daily morning broadcast program; its community service club, Kōkua Crew; and an after-school Japanese-language program.

"The hardworking teachers, faculty, and staff of Ka'elepulu Elementary exemplify what our schools can accomplish when we promote and prioritize student achievement. We know that they will make us all very proud as they represent our state this fall in our nation's capital. Colleagues, please join me once again in congratulating all of the teacher, faculty, and students of Ka'elepulu Elementary on their nomination for the national Blue Ribbon Schools award. I would now like to return the floor to Senator Kidani."

Senator Kidani rose and stated:

"Thank you, Senator Tokuda. Mr. President, I have long been an advocate for in-school and other programs that promote financial literacy and informed consumer decision-making among our students that they can carry over into their adult lives. One of the best consumer education programs available in our high schools statewide is conducted by the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs.

"During the LifeSmarts competition, four schools rose to the top after several weeks of rigorous competition. They came to the State Capitol last month for the finals among the best of the best, and we are pleased to be able to welcome the 2016 champions this morning. Here to introduce them is Senator Les Ihara."

Senator Ihara congratulated the 'Iolani 2016 LifeSmarts Champions, and presented the following remarks:

"Colleagues, I have the pleasure of presenting our honorees on the floor today on our right: LifeSmarts is a National Consumers League's education program designed to teach critical life skills to youth, including personal finance, consumer rights and responsibilities, health and safety, environment, and technology.

"Starting from October 26th to December 4th of last year, students conducted daily online quizzes and spent many hours reviewing Internet resources, following the news, and quizzing each other. The highest-scoring teams were invited to a live inperson state championship. And as the previous speaker said, on February 20th, the 'Iolani LifeSmarts team won the Hawai'i state championship. They will represent our state in the national competition in Denver, Colorado, on April 9th.

"I would like to introduce the 'Iolani LifeSmarts championship team. With us on the floor are Drey Tengan, Landon Sur, Norton Kishi, and Sean Callahan. Joining them on the floor is their expert coach, James Rubasch, who contributes much time and effort in preparing these winning students for competition. Congratulations.

"While you're standing, I'd like to also recognize your captain, Chase Nakamura, who's led the team, and he was not able to join us today. And we want to wish you – your team, all of you – the best for success in Denver, Colorado, next month.

"In the gallery, we have supporters of the 'Iolani LifeSmarts team: Norton's parents, Hideko and Mitsuo Kishi; Pat Beattie, mother of team member Sean Callahan; and Theresa Kong Kee and Jessica Chillingworth from DCCA, who coordinate the LifeSmarts program. Thank you very much, and we thank all of you. And best wishes in Denver. Thank you, Mr. President. I return the floor to Senator Kidani."

Senator Kidani rose and stated:

"Thank you, Senator Ihara. Mr. President, we are off to a good start in recognizing excellence in our schools this Education Week. I would like to ask for a recess at the appropriate time so that we may greet our distinguished honorees this morning. Thank you."

Senator Inouye extended additional congratulations to Dean Cevallos, remarking on their long friendship and his successful career in education. Senator Inouye noted that she and her husband, Vernon, had known Dean Cevallos since his beginnings on the Big Island, and were both so proud to see him excel in his endeavors as a teacher. Senator Inouye shared that since Dean was transferred to Keaʿau High School, they miss him in their golf group but are proud to see him excel, and reiterated her congratulations and best wishes for him.

Senator Chun Oakland recognized Department of Education Superintendent Kathryn Matayoshi, who was present in the gallery.

At 12:00 p.m., the Senate stood in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

The Senate reconvened at 12:08 p.m.

Senator Kahele introduced Ernie Wilson, member of the University of Hawai'i Board of Regents representing Maui County, who was seated in the gallery.

HOUSE COMMUNICATION

The following communication from the House (Hse. Com. No. 362) was read by the Clerk and was disposed of as follows:

Hse. Com. No. 362, transmitting H.B. No. 1700, H.D. 1, which passed Third Reading in the House of Representatives on March 16, 2016, was placed on file.

On motion by Senator Green, seconded by Senator Slom and carried, H.B. No. 1700, H.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET," passed First Reading by title and was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Senator Nishihara, for the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2874) recommending that S.C.R. No. 22 be referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor.

On motion by Senator Green, seconded by Senator Slom and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 22, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING HAWAII'S CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION TO PROPOSE AND PASS A PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION CLARIFYING THAT CORPORATIONS ARE NOT PEOPLE WITH CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS, AND THAT UNLIMITED CAMPAIGN SPENDING IS NOT FREE SPEECH," was referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor.

Senator Nishihara, for the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2875) recommending that S.C.R. No. 33 be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator Green, seconded by Senator Slom and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 33, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING HAWAII'S CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION TO ASSIST THE STATE IN NEGOTIATING WITH THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FOR THE ACQUISITION OF THE FEDERAL DETENTION CENTER, HONOLULU," was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senator Nishihara, for the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2876) recommending that S.C.R. No. 34 be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator Green, seconded by Senator Slom and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 34, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO SUPPORT LEGISLATION GRANTING BUDGET AUTONOMY, LEGISLATIVE AUTONOMY, AND STATEHOOD TO THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA," was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senator Nishihara, for the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2877) recommending that S.C.R. No. 40, as amended in S.D. 1, be referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor.

On motion by Senator Green, seconded by Senator Slom and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 40, S.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION PETITIONING CONGRESS FOR A LIMITED AMENDMENTS CONVENTION FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROPOSING A FREE AND FAIR ELECTIONS AMENDMENT TO THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION," was referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor.

Senator Nishihara, for the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2878) recommending that S.R. No. 15 be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator Green, seconded by Senator Slom and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.R. No. 15, entitled: "SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING HAWAII'S CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION TO ASSIST THE STATE IN NEGOTIATING WITH THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FOR THE ACQUISITION OF THE FEDERAL DETENTION CENTER, HONOLULU," was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senator Baker, for the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2879) recommending that S.R. No. 8, as amended in S.D. 1, be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator Green, seconded by Senator Slom and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.R. No. 8, S.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING STRONG SUPPORT FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE WAHIAWA CENTER FOR COMMUNITY HEALTH TO PROVIDE PRIMARY HEALTHCARE SERVICES TO THE MEDICALLY UNDERSERVED POPULATION OF WAHIAWA AND ITS SURROUNDING RURAL COMMUNITIES," was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senator Baker, for the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2880) recommending that S.C.R. No. 25, as amended in S.D. 1, be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator Green, seconded by Senator Slom and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 25, S.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION EXPRESSING STRONG SUPPORT FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE WAHIAWA CENTER FOR COMMUNITY HEALTH TO PROVIDE PRIMARY HEALTHCARE SERVICES TO THE MEDICALLY UNDERSERVED POPULATION OF WAHIAWA AND ITS SURROUNDING RURAL COMMUNITIES," was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senators Nishihara and Inouye, for the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs and the Committee on Transportation and Energy, presented a joint report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2881) recommending that S.R. No. 14 be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator Green, seconded by Senator Slom and carried, the joint report of the Committees was adopted and S.R. No. 14, entitled: "SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE GOVERNOR TO RENAME A SECTION OF KAPULE HIGHWAY IN THE COUNTY OF KAUA'I AS THE KAUA'I VETERANS MEMORIAL HIGHWAY," was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senators Nishihara and Inouye, for the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs and the Committee on Transportation and Energy, presented a joint report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2882) recommending that S.C.R. No. 32 be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator Green, seconded by Senator Slom and carried, the joint report of the Committees was adopted and S.C.R. No. 32, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE GOVERNOR TO RENAME A SECTION OF KAPULE HIGHWAY IN THE COUNTY OF KAUA'I AS THE KAUA'I VETERANS MEMORIAL HIGHWAY," was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senator Gabbard, for the Committee on Water, Land, and Agriculture, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2883) recommending that H.B. No. 799, H.D. 2, as amended in S.D. 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor.

On motion by Senator Green, seconded by Senator Slom and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 799, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE UNIFORM AERONAUTICS ACT," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor.

Senator Gabbard, for the Committee on Water, Land, and Agriculture, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2884) recommending that H.B. No. 1041, H.D. 2, as amended in S.D. 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator Green, seconded by Senator Slom and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1041, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HUNTING," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senator Gabbard, for the Committee on Water, Land, and Agriculture, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2885) recommending that H.B. No. 2040 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator Green, seconded by Senator Slom and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2040, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO WATER SECURITY," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senator Gabbard, for the Committee on Water, Land, and Agriculture, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2886) recommending that H.B. No. 1733, H.D. 2, as amended in S.D. 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health.

On motion by Senator Green, seconded by Senator Slom and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1733, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO USE PERMITS FOR SMALL BOAT FACILITIES," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health.

Senator Gabbard, for the Committee on Water, Land, and Agriculture, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2887) recommending that H.B. No. 2235, H.D. 1, as amended in S.D. 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator Green, seconded by Senator Slom and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2235, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HONOKOHAU SMALL BOAT HARBOR," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senator Gabbard, for the Committee on Water, Land, and Agriculture, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2888) recommending that H.B. No. 2721, H.D. 1, as amended in S.D. 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator Green, seconded by Senator Slom and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2721, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LIPOA POINT," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senator Gabbard, for the Committee on Water, Land, and Agriculture, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2889) recommending that H.B. No. 2675, H.D. 1, as amended in S.D. 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator Green, seconded by Senator Slom and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2675, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO RAPID OHIA DEATH," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senator Gabbard, for the Committee on Water, Land, and Agriculture, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2890) recommending that H.B. No. 2059, H.D. 2, as amended in S.D. 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator Green, seconded by Senator Slom and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2059, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS FOR KEHALANI OFFSITE RETENTION BASIN," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senator Gabbard, for the Committee on Water, Land, and Agriculture, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2891) recommending that H.B. No. 2041, H.D. 1, as amended in S.D. 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator Green, seconded by Senator Slom and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2041, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO WATER AUDITS," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senator Baker, for the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Health, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2892) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of RODNEY ONO to the Pest Control Board, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 635.

In accordance with Senate Rule 37(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2892 and Gov. Msg. No. 635 was deferred until Friday, March 18, 2016.

ORDER OF THE DAY

ADVISE AND CONSENT

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2869 (Gov. Msg. Nos. 586 and 587):

Senator Taniguchi moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2869 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Gabbard and carried.

Senator Taniguchi then moved that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations to the Board of Regents of the University of Hawai'i of the following:

JAN SULLIVAN, term to expire June 30, 2021 (Gov. Msg. No. 586); and

WAYNE HIGAKI, term to expire June 30, 2021 (Gov. Msg. No. 587).

seconded by Senator Gabbard.

Senator Taniguchi rose to request that remarks in support of the nominees be entered into the Journal, and the Chair so ordered

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

"I rise in support of the nominations of Jan Sullivan and Wayne Higaki for reappointment to the Board of Regents of the University of Hawai'i.

"Ms. Sullivan has served as a Regent since 2011 representing the City and County of Honolulu, and Mr. Higaki since 2015 representing Hawai'i County (West).

"Your Committee on Higher Education and the Arts held a hearing on March 10, and had the opportunity to question both nominees.

"Both Jan Sullivan and Wayne Higaki have exceptional reputations, earned through their experiences in professional, public, and community service.

"Ms. Sullivan is especially interested in entrepreneurship, innovation, and technology transfer, and has made significant contributions to improvements in the operations and oversight responsibilities of the Board of Regents.

"Mr. Higaki has a strong background in healthcare and workforce development.

"Your Committee on Higher Education and the Arts unanimously recommends that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations of Jan Sullivan and Wayne Higaki for reappointment to the Board of Regents of the University of Hawai'i. Thank you."

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

Ayes, 22. Noes, none. Excused, 3 (Espero, Ihara, Shimabukuro).

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2870 (Gov. Msg. Nos. 588 and 589):

Senator Taniguchi moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2870 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Gabbard and carried

Senator Taniguchi then moved that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations to the Center for Nursing Advisory Board of the following:

KARI LUM, term to expire June 30, 2018 (Gov. Msg. No. 588); and

LYNN MILLIGAN, term to expire June 30, 2019 (Gov. Msg. No. 589),

seconded by Senator Gabbard.

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

Ayes, 22. Noes, none. Excused, 3 (Espero, Ihara, Shimabukuro)

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2871 (Gov. Msg. Nos. 623 and 624):

Senator Inouye moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2871 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Gabbard and carried.

Senator Inouye then moved that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations to the Board of Directors of the Natural Energy Laboratory of Hawai'i Authority of the following:

LINDA ROSEHILL, term to expire June 30, 2016 (Gov. Msg. No. 623); and

LINDA ROSEHILL, term to expire June 30, 2020 (Gov. Msg. No. 624),

seconded by Senator Gabbard.

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

Ayes, 22. Noes, none. Excused, 3 (Espero, Ihara, Shimabukuro).

RE-REFERRAL OF A SENATE RESOLUTION

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

S.R. No.: Re-referred to:

and the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health, then jointly to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor and the Committee on Ways and Means

At this time, Senator Kidani announced that Education Week activities would continue the following day, with presentations honoring the 2016 Teachers of the Year, as well as visits from advocates of early learning and informational displays by the Hawaii Children's Action Network.

ADJOURNMENT

At 12:12 p.m., on motion by Senator Green, seconded by Senator Slom and carried, the Senate adjourned until 11:30 a.m., Friday, March 18, 2016.