FORTY-FIFTH DAY

Thursday, April 8, 2021

The Senate of the Thirty-First Legislature of the State of Hawai'i, Regular Session of 2021, convened at 11:42 a.m. with the President in the Chair.

The Roll was called showing all Senators present, with Senators Chang, Dela Cruz, Gabbard, Ihara, Keohokalole, Lee, Misalucha, Moriwaki, Rhoads, Riviere, and Shimabukuro present and participating via videoconference.

The President announced that he had read and approved the Journal of the Forty-Fourth Day.

HOUSE COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications from the House (Hse. Com. Nos. 393 and 394) were read by the Clerk and were disposed of as follows:

Hse. Com. No. 393, returning S.C.R. No. 66, S.D. 1, as amended in H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 7, 2021, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, action on S.C.R. No. 66, S.D. 1 (H.D. 1), entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION CONDEMNING AND DENOUNCING ALL FORMS OF ANTI-ASIAN SENTIMENT AND ALL ACTS OF RACISM, XENOPHOBIA, INTOLERANCE, DISCRIMINATION, HATE CRIME, AND HATE SPEECH AGAINST ASIAN AMERICANS AND ASIAN INDIVIDUALS IN THE UNITED STATES AND REQUESTING THE HAWAII CIVIL RIGHTS COMMISSION TO ANALYZE AND REPORT ON ANTI-ASIAN SENTIMENT AND ACTS IN THE STATE," was deferred until Friday, April 9, 2021.

Hse. Com. No. 394, returning S.C.R. No. 140, S.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 7, 2021, was placed on file.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Senator Dela Cruz, for the Committee on Ways and Means, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1554) recommending that H.B. No. 149, H.D. 1, S.D. 1 pass Third Reading.

By unanimous consent, action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1554 and H.B. No. 149, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO GIFT CERTIFICATES," was deferred until Friday, April 9, 2021.

Senator Moriwaki, for the Committee on Government Operations, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1555) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations to the Enhanced 911 Board of the following:

JEFFREY RIEWER, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 522; and

CLYDE HOLOKAI, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 523.

In accordance with Senate Rule 37(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1555 and Gov. Msg. Nos. 522 and 523 was deferred until Friday, April 9, 2021.

Senator Dela Cruz, for the Committee on Ways and Means, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1556) recommending that H.B. No. 133, H.D. 1, as amended in S.D. 1, pass Second Reading and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

On motion by Senator Keohokalole, seconded by Senator Fevella and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 133, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CAPITAL GAINS," passed Second

Reading and was placed on the calendar for Third Reading on Tuesday, April 13, 2021.

Senator Dela Cruz, for the Committee on Ways and Means, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1557) recommending that H.B. No. 1324, H.D. 2, as amended in S.D. 1, pass Second Reading and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

On motion by Senator Keohokalole, seconded by Senator Fevella and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1324, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COMMERCIAL PROPERTY RENT RELIEF," passed Second Reading and was placed on the calendar for Third Reading on Tuesday, April 13, 2021.

ORDER OF THE DAY

ADVISE AND CONSENT

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1547 (Gov. Msg. No. 713):

Senator Rhoads moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1547 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Keohokalole and carried.

Senator Rhoads then moved that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of WILLIAM PUETTE to the Civil Rights Commission, term to expire June 30, 2025, seconded by Senator Keohokalole.

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

Ayes, 24. Noes, none. Excused, 1 (Dela Cruz).

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1548 (Gov. Msg. No. 546):

Senator Nishihara moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1548 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator English and carried

Senator Nishihara then moved that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of ROXANNE BRUHN to the Advisory Board on Veterans' Services, term to expire June 30, 2023, seconded by Senator English.

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

Ayes, 24. Noes, none. Excused, 1 (Dela Cruz).

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1549 (Gov. Msg. No. 576):

Senator Shimabukuro moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1549 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Keohokalole and carried.

Senator Shimabukuro then moved that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of DAVID KAAPU to the Hawaiian Homes Commission, term to expire June 30, 2025, seconded by Senator Keohokalole.

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

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

"I am writing in support of David Ka'apu in hopes that he will make the right decisions for our beneficiaries and the Native Hawaiian community."

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

Ayes, 24. Noes, none. Excused, 1 (Dela Cruz).

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1550 (Gov. Msg. Nos. 577 and 578):

The Chair announced:

"The Committee on Hawaiian Affairs made no recommendation on Governor's Message Nos. 577 and 578. Therefore, the Chair will first entertain a motion to file Standing Committee Report No. 1550, then we will move on to the final vote on this matter."

Senator Shimabukuro moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1550 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Keohokalole and carried.

The Chair stated:

"Members, pursuant to Senate Rule 37, the final question on nominations made by the governor must be stated in the affirmative. Therefore, those casting 'Aye' votes will be voting to advise and consent, and those casting 'No' votes will be voting to reject the nomination. The Chair will now entertain motions to advise and consent to these nominations."

Senator Shimabukuro moved that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of MICHAEL KALEIKINI to the Hawaiian Homes Commission, term to expire on June 30, 2025, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 577, seconded by Senator Keohokalole.

Senator Shimabukuro spoke in support of the nominee as follows:

"Colleagues, I wish to share excerpts of a recent email from a Keaukaha community leader:

I'm Patrick L. Kahawaiolaa a native Hawaiian as defined and I'm a lessee of Hawaiian Home Lands in East Hawaii and because of Covid-19 I've been trying to keep up with the issue that are pertinent to native Hawaiians in East Hawaii and an issue with connectivity it's a challenge to keep up with the hearings that affects us.

I was trying to follow through on the Governor's proposal to continue the appointment of an West Hawaii DHHL Commissioner Mr. David Kaapu and the East Hawaii DHHL Commissioner Mr. Mike Kaleikini. I found out there was not a favorable decision out of the Committee on Hawaiian Affairs for East Hawaii Commissioner Mike Kaleikini moving forward to the full Senate soon.

I would want to submit my SUPPORT for Mike Kaleikini with Reservations and my reasons are as follows:

To represent the beneficiaries properly in my opinion one needs to have lived in, worked in, or at least be involved with those communities He is being ask to represent.. When Mike Kaleikini was first asked to represent East Hawaii, we were without one for over a year. Although he admitted to us in one of our pre Covid meetings that he didn't keep up with issues on Hawaiian Home lands, he was willing to see what he could do and help. He was transparent then. In the short time and then Covid hit and his votes for issues affecting us since that, has not been detrimental to the native Hawaiian community in East Hawaii. His last vote on the Commission was to support the Department's Extension of the Defer Mortgage payments because of Covid till June 2021. That action will Help beneficiaries going forward.

For the aforementioned reasons I will support Mike Kaleikini BECAUSE the alternative we may be without again a Representative for East Hawaii and I'm not prepared to see this again.

I truly would like to see this body to HELP & ASSIST native Hawaiians begin a Process whereby before names for Any Commissioner can be confirmed we be allow to Submit or vett Names BEFORE they are sent to the Governor and/or the Senate to Confirm.

This are my reasons I'm asking for a favorable out come for his confirmation.

'Owau Patrick L. Kahawaiolaa

"Mahalo."

Senator Acasio rose to speak in opposition to the nominee as follows:

"Mr. President, I rise today in opposition of G.M. 577, nomination for Hawaiian Homes commissioner, East Hawai'i, to stand in support and echo the majority of beneficiary voices in East Hawai'i that know they deserve better. The community is clear, prevalent, and consistent in their desire to have voice on the commission who represents them in this vital fiduciary role. The community is clear they want someone qualified, engaged, connected, consistent, who represents East Hawai'i beneficiary needs and concerns. Like the senator from Nānākuli mentioned, they do want voice in who is chosen to represent them. There is legitimate concern that East Hawai'i will be unrepresented on the commission should this nominee not be confirmed, and yet there are multiple highly qualified, dedicated individuals within the community who have widespread support who are ready to serve and put in the extra effort it takes to fulfill this kuleana.

"The nominee's original confirmation just a bit over a year ago drew strong opposition as well. Today, he comes to the body with no recommendation from the Hawaiian Affairs committee. During the hearing that led to this unfavorable recommendation, the nominee was unable to apprise committee members regarding the challenges faced by many East Hawai'i homesteaders. Testimony for this nomination is overwhelmingly in opposition. The primary reason given is that this nominee does not reflect the voice of the constituency he has a duty to represent in East Hawai'i, and that he is not qualified and knowledgeable about HHCA to serve in such a vital capacity as commissioner. It is important to note that even the supportive testimony, including that from the department, was devoid of adequate and sufficient evidence that the candidate possesses the requisite experience and qualifications.

"An affirmative vote on this nomination today would perpetuate a double standard that has compromised the effectiveness of the commission since its inception. This body would never consent to a judicial nominee who did not possess the basic qualifications and capacity to effectively execute the duties of the office for which he or she is being nominated. And if such a nominee failed to meet a minimum proficiency standard within his or her first year, this body would not reconfirm that nominee. This holds true for other prominent boards and commissions, and it should hold true for Hawaiian Homes Commission as well.

"So, I urge this body to work to raise the standard that would allow Hawaiian Homes commissioners to effectively carry out the extremely important duties entrusted to them. For this reason, I will be voting 'no' on G.M. 577. Mahalo."

Senator Fevella rose to speak in opposition to the nominee as follows:

"One of the main reasons I am in strong opposition is because when I voted 'no,' and I explained to Mike at that time, I told him what we needed because there has been no Hawaiian Homes Commissioner representation for over a year. At the Hawaiian Homes Commission, I've seen qualified applicants all of whom deserved to be on this commission but was denied and not even considered by William Aila. Moving forward, I had asked Mike, if he could meet with the Native Hawaiian community and beneficiaries, but as soon as he got elected, he did no such thing. As a commissioner you need to be involved and meet the community; to feel what the community's feeling because he's not a beneficiary. Time after time, we as Legislators would always talk about the priorities and the uprising of the beneficiaries to get them off the list but we need a commissioner who really cares, instead we rubber-stamp things and approve somebody like this to be a commissioner. We need someone who cares and is very important to the Hawai'i community. We had no representation for one whole year while Mike was the commissioner and now he's back to be reconfirmed again.

"My fellow colleagues, if we continue to have the Hawaiian people trust us here in this building, doing things and fighting for them like we say we do, not only behind closed doors but in the open, we need to set today straight. The Hawaiian community didn't confirm, or push him through, because there were an overwhelming opposition to this confirmation. Furthermore, his position in business and economics on the island is controversial to the Hawaiian people, one of them: geothermal. He works for that. He pushes it, same like the solar farms in Nānākuli. He thinks it's great! We cannot stop putting money before our people, and that's what's happening. We have our rubber-stamper that stamps anything that William Aila wants, and that's what he does. That's why he was chosen by William Aila going forward.

"Colleagues, I want to you to remember this: When we were voting down Jobie and Aila—as a team, we were voting them down—then we decided they were going to separate. I told some of my colleagues here today, exactly what is going to happen when Aila gets in: He was going to hire Jobie. Well, today, colleagues, I'm telling you, if we continue to go this way, this man and his commissioners who support him and he support them, it's going to be the downfall of our Hawaiian people, so I'm asking you, my colleagues, to vote him down on this Senate floor today to give the people of Hawai'i a voice. Thank you."

Senator San Buenaventura rose to speak in support of the nominee with reservations as follows:

"When I saw the lack of support from the committee, I looked at the testimony as to why there was lack of support, and I noticed—although my colleague from Senate District 1 was correct, it was overwhelmingly in opposition—the one that did support Mr. Kaleikini was an East Hawai'i homesteader, and a number of the opposition were not East Hawai'i homesteaders. So I took it upon myself to actually poll the East Hawai'i homesteaders because I noticed the very vocal East Hawai'i homesteaders, like Uncle Pat, who the chair's email quoted, was not one of the testifiers, and this person, if you've ever met him, is very vocal and will tell you what it is in every setting that he is in. So when I did this poll in my community, it was split 50/50. And basically what my colleague from 'Ewa Beach has stated, those who were in opposition basically voiced exactly what my colleague from 'Ewa Beach stated. He did not have the empathy, but I told them we need to separate the geothermal aspect because we need to see whether or not he actually represents our East Hawai'i homesteaders regardless of his ties with geothermal. When you do the separation, we're still 50/50 because of the lack of empathy and the lack of his knowledge of the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act. However-and this is a big however—the ones who did support him with reservations, like our chair has stated, have noted the absence of representation for over a year before Mr. Kaleikini was in, and because the statute does not require our governor to appoint somebody, I am going to support him with reservations, and I'd like our colleagues to realize that these are volunteer positions in a very highly volatile atmosphere, and it's difficult to get people to step up, and for that, he's willing to step up, and for those reasons, I'm voting 'with reservations,' but I support him."

Senator Kim rose to speak in opposition to the nominee as follows:

"I'm rising because I want to explain my vote. I don't think it's easy to vote against a nominee, but I recall distinctly, a year ago, when his name came up for a nomination, there was controversy at that time. Similar concerns were raised at that time, and \dot{I} believe we ended up giving him the benefit of the doubt, voting in favor of support to be in this position. And so it bothers me tremendously to hear that he's had a whole year to prove himself or to make up for those concerns that were raised, and yet, in that year, he didn't bother to learn the HCC Act; he hasn't gone to the different communities. He certainly did not display the fact that he really wants to serve. I think it's a bad precedent for us to support someone and pass someone through only because we're afraid that the position will remain empty. Is that going to happen for the Board of Regents? Is that going to happen for the Board of Education? I mean, we should not be settling for less, and we should be urging the governor and doing all that we can to ensure that the governor will do his duty and appoint people to these positions and appoint qualified people. So, for those reasons, I will not be supporting this nominee. Thank you."

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

Ayes, 21; Ayes with Reservations (Baker, Chang, Dela Cruz, English, Ihara, Kidani, Lee, Misalucha, Moriwaki, Nishihara, Rhoads, San Buenaventura, Taniguchi, Wakai). Noes, 4 (Acasio, Fevella, Kim, Riviere).

Senator Shimabukuro then moved that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of DENNIS NEVES to the Hawaiian Homes Commission, term to expire on June 30, 2025, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 578, seconded by Senator Keohokalole.

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

Ayes, 24; Ayes with Reservations (Acasio, Dela Cruz, Kim). Noes, 1 (Fevella).

THIRD READING

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1523 (H.B. No. 561, H.D. 2, S.D. 2):

Senator Baker moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1523 be adopted and H.B. No. 561, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, having been read throughout, pass Third Reading, seconded by Senator Chang.

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:

"Mr. President, I rise in support of HB561 HD2 SD2, Relating to Energy.

"Hawaii's clean energy goals require the State to look for ways to reduce reliance on fossil fuels that can negatively impact the environment. HB561 HD2 SD2 provides clarity towards types of proceedings before the Public Utilities Commission that requires the Commission to determine whether analysis of the effect of State's reliance on fossil fuels

is necessary for proceedings involving water, wastewater, or telecommunication providers on an individual basis. The removal of this the requirement for the Commission to conduct certain analyses when these analyses are not relevant to decisions at hand, will allow the Commission to utilize their resources more efficiently.

"Also, it is important for the Public Utilities Commission to analyze biomass emission if biomass is contemplated for electric generation in projects within the Public Utilities Commission's purview. The amended SD2 version seeks to address these issues.

"Mahalo and please join me in support of HB561 HD2 SD2."

The motion was put by the Chair and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1523 was adopted and H.B. No. 561, 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; Ayes with Reservations (Dela Cruz). Noes, none. Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1524 (H.B. No. 302, H.D. 1, S.D. 2):

Senator Baker moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1524 be adopted and H.B. No. 302, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, having been read throughout, pass Third Reading, seconded by Senator Chang.

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:

"Mr. President, I rise in support of HB302 HD1 SD2, Relating to Advanced Practice Registered Nurses.

"HB302 HD1 SD2 authorizes advanced practice registered nurses (APRNs) to order and certify home health care for Medical patients, authorized APRNs to certify whether a person is totally disabled under the income tax code, authorized APRNS to make capacity determinations and add APRNs with psychiatric specializations as primary providers in advanced mental health care directives.

"Currently, the Hawaii Revised Statutes recognizes APRNs as primary care providers and through this measure APRNs will no longer have to refer their patients to another primary care provider and will be able to make the capacity determination themselves. The removal of existing barriers will allow APRNs to work in their established scope of practice and allow patients to have greater access to healthcare. Because over 25% of Hawaii's APRNS work in underserved areas, this will greatly benefit rural areas and the neighbor islands.

"Mahalo and please join me in support of HB302 HD1 SD2."

The motion was put by the Chair and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1524 was adopted and H.B. No. 302, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSES," 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. 471, H.D. 1, S.D. 2):

Senator Baker moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1525 be adopted and H.B. No. 471, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, having been read throughout, pass Third Reading, seconded by Senator Chang.

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:

"Mr. President, I rise in strong support for HB471 HD1 SD2, Relating to Behavior Analysts.

"Session laws of Hawaii 2015 (Act 199), enacted a regulatory structure for behavior analysts. This measure will make permanent the regulation of behavior analysts and will allow the continued protections and regulations in the State of Hawaii. In December 2020, the Auditor released Report No. 20-20: 'Sunset Evaluation: Regulation of Behavior Analysts' and supported the continued regulations of the applied behavior analysis profession.

"Not only will this regulatory structure provide protections and regulations but also allows licensed profession providing services to be eligible for insurance reimbursement. The services behavior analysts provide to the State of Hawaii is invaluable resource in providing key mental health care for both adults and keiki who benefit from Licensed Behavior Analysts' services

"Please join me in support of HB471 HD1 SD2. Mahalo."

The motion was put by the Chair and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1525 was adopted and H.B. No. 471, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO BEHAVIOR ANALYSTS," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1526 (H.B. No. 264, H.D. 1, S.D. 2):

Senator Baker moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1526 be adopted and H.B. No. 264, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, having been read throughout, pass Third Reading, seconded by Senator Chang.

Senator Baker offered the following amendment (Floor Amendment No. 5) to H.B. No. 264, H.D. 1, S.D. 2:

SECTION 1. House Bill No. 264, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, section 2, is amended by amending page 8, line 9, to read as follows:

"(B) Convicted of any misdemeanor relating to driving, acts of violence, or sexual offenses;"

Senator Baker moved that Floor Amendment No. 5 be adopted, seconded by Senator Lee.

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

"When the committees passed this measure out, we gave too broad a definition for what could disqualify someone from being an Uber or a Lyft driver by saying 'any misdemeanor'. This amendment clarifies that it applies to any potential driver convicted of a misdemeanor specifically relating to driving, acts of violence, or sexual offenses will be disqualified. An amendment is necessary to clarify that disqualification. Thank you."

The motion to adopt Floor Amendment No. 1 was put by the Chair and carried.

Senator Baker then moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1526 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Lee and carried.

By unanimous consent, H.B. No. 264, H.D. 1, S.D. 3, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANIES," was placed on the calendar for Third Reading on Tuesday, April 13, 2021.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1544 (H.B. No. 871, H.D. 1, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Dela Cruz, seconded by Senator Keith-Agaran and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1544 was adopted and H.B. No. 871, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL ENTERPRISES," 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. 434, H.D. 1, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Dela Cruz, seconded by Senator Keith-Agaran and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1545 was adopted and H.B. No. 434, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AIRCRAFT," 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. 525, H.D. 2, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Dela Cruz, seconded by Senator Keith-Agaran and carried, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1546 was adopted and H.B. No. 525, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TEACHER HOUSING," having been read throughout, passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

RE-REFERRAL OF A HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

The Chair re-referred the following House concurrent resolution that was received:

H.C.R. No.: Re-referred to:

H.C.R. No. 178 Committee on Education

At this time, Senator Inouye, Chair of the Committee on Water and Land, requested a waiver of the notice requirement pursuant to Senate Rule 21 for the following measures:

H.C.R. No. 30, H.D. 1; H.C.R. No. 47, H.D. 1; and H.C.R. No. 70.

Senator Inouye noted:

"It is necessary, Mr. President, to facilitate the appropriate consideration of these measures due to their importance to our communities; improvements to and revitalization of state parks management, along with leases of certain submerged lands, are programs related to the Water and Land committee purview."

The Chair granted the waiver.

Senator Inouye announced that the Committee on Water and Land would be holding a public hearing on the aforementioned measures the following day at 1:30 p.m. in Conference Room 229 and via videoconference.

Senator Dela Cruz, Chair of the Committee on Ways and Means, requested a waiver of the notice requirement pursuant to Senate Rule 21 for H.B. No. 204, S.D. 1 and H.B. No. 424, H.D. 1, S.D. 1.

Senator Dela Cruz noted:

"Your committee is requesting these waivers to meet the decking deadline."

The Chair granted the waiver.

Senator Dela Cruz announced that the Committee on Ways and Means would be holding a public hearing on H.B. No. 204, S.D. 1 the following morning at 9:50 a.m. and a public decision making meeting on H.B. No. 424, H.D. 1, S.D. 1 at 10:15 a.m., both in Conference Room 211 and via videoconference.

The Chair made the following announcement:

"The deadline to file standing committee reports on House bills that need to pass Second Reading is 6:00 p.m. this evening."

ADJOURNMENT

At 12:10 p.m., on motion by Senator Keohokalole, seconded by Senator Fevella and carried, the Senate adjourned until 11:30 a.m., Friday, April 9, 2021.