

## FIFTY-SIXTH DAY

Tuesday, April 25, 2023

The Senate of the Thirty-Second Legislature of the State of Hawai'i, Regular Session of 2023, convened at 11:34 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 Fifty-Fifth Day.

## MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR

The following message from the Governor (Gov. Msg. No. 12) was read by the Clerk and was placed on file:

Gov. Msg. No. 12, letter dated April 24, 2023, transmitting proposed changes to the FY 2024 Executive Budget Request for the Department of Transportation.

## HOUSE COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications from the House (Hse. Com. Nos. 841 to 869) were read by the Clerk and were disposed of as follows:

Hse. Com. No. 841, returning S.C.R. No. 17, S.D. 1, as amended in H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 24, 2023, was placed on file.

On motion by Senator Wakai, seconded by Senator DeCoite and carried, the Senate disagreed to the amendments proposed by the House to S.C.R. No. 17, S.D. 1, and requested a conference on the subject matter thereof.

Hse. Com. No. 842, returning S.C.R. No. 18, S.D. 1, as amended in H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 24, 2023, was placed on file.

On motion by Senator Wakai, seconded by Senator DeCoite and carried, the Senate disagreed to the amendments proposed by the House to S.C.R. No. 18, S.D. 1, and requested a conference on the subject matter thereof.

Hse. Com. No. 843, returning S.C.R. No. 91, S.D. 1, as amended in H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 24, 2023, was placed on file.

On motion by Senator Wakai, seconded by Senator DeCoite and carried, the Senate disagreed to the amendments proposed by the House to S.C.R. No. 91, S.D. 1, and requested a conference on the subject matter thereof.

Hse. Com. No. 844, returning S.C.R. No. 92, as amended in H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 24, 2023, was placed on file.

On motion by Senator Wakai, seconded by Senator DeCoite and carried, the Senate disagreed to the amendments proposed by the House to S.C.R. No. 92, and requested a conference on the subject matter thereof.

Hse. Com. No. 845, returning S.C.R. No. 100, as amended in H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 24, 2023, was placed on file.

On motion by Senator Wakai, seconded by Senator DeCoite and carried, the Senate disagreed to the amendments proposed by the House to S.C.R. No. 100, and requested a conference on the subject matter thereof.

Hse. Com. No. 846, returning S.C.R. No. 104, S.D. 1, as amended in H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 24, 2023, was placed on file.

On motion by Senator Wakai, seconded by Senator DeCoite and carried, the Senate disagreed to the amendments proposed by the House to S.C.R. No. 104, S.D. 1, and requested a conference on the subject matter thereof.

Hse. Com. No. 847, returning S.C.R. No. 179, as amended in H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 24, 2023, was placed on file.

On motion by Senator Wakai, seconded by Senator DeCoite and carried, the Senate disagreed to the amendments proposed by the House to S.C.R. No. 179, and requested a conference on the subject matter thereof.

The Chair then announced:

“Conferees will be named at a later date.”

Hse. Com. No. 848, returning S.C.R. No. 40, S.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 24, 2023, was placed on file.

Hse. Com. No. 849, returning S.C.R. No. 44, S.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 24, 2023, was placed on file.

Hse. Com. No. 850, returning S.C.R. No. 56, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 24, 2023, was placed on file.

Hse. Com. No. 851, returning S.C.R. No. 64, S.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 24, 2023, was placed on file.

Hse. Com. No. 852, returning S.C.R. No. 106, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 24, 2023, was placed on file.

Hse. Com. No. 853, returning S.C.R. No. 132, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 24, 2023, was placed on file.

Hse. Com. No. 854, returning S.C.R. No. 150, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 24, 2023, was placed on file.

Hse. Com. No. 855, returning S.C.R. No. 170, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 24, 2023, was placed on file.

Hse. Com. No. 856, returning S.C.R. No. 176, S.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 24, 2023, was placed on file.

Hse. Com. No. 857, returning S.C.R. No. 183, S.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 24, 2023, was placed on file.

Hse. Com. No. 858, informing the Senate that on April 24, 2023, the Speaker discharged all conferees to the following bills:

H.B. No. 110, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1); and  
H.B. No. 991, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1),

was placed on file.

Hse. Com. No. 859, informing the Senate that on April 24, 2023, the Speaker made the following changes to the conferees on the following bills:

H.B. No. 1148, H.D. 1 (S.D. 2):

Representative Marten added as a manager.

H.B. No. 1149, H.D. 2 (S.D. 1):

Representative Marten added as a manager  
was placed on file.

Hse. Com. No. 860, informing the Senate that on April 24, 2023, the Speaker appointed conferees on the part of the House for the consideration of amendments proposed by the Senate to the following House bills:

H.B. No. 600, H.D. 1 (S.D. 2):

Representatives Todd, Woodson, Kila, co-chairs; Evslin, Ganaden, Matsumoto.

H.B. No. 961, H.D. 1 (S.D. 2):

Representatives Mizuno, Woodson, Kitagawa, co-chairs; Amato, Marten, Matsumoto,  
was placed on file.

Hse. Com. No. 861, informing the Senate that on April 24, 2023, the Speaker appointed conferees on the part of the House for the consideration of amendments proposed by the House to the following Senate bills:

S.B. No. 281, S.D. 2 (H.D. 1):

Representatives Perruso, Yamashita, co-chairs; Kapela, Marten, Garcia.

S.B. No. 1518, S.D. 2 (H.D. 3):

Representatives Woodson, Matayoshi, Kitagawa, co-chairs; La Chica, Garcia.

S.B. No. 1532, S.D. 2 (H.D. 1):

Representatives Tam, Kila, co-chairs; Garrett, Kapela, Alcos,  
was placed on file.

Hse. Com. No. 862, informing the Senate that on April 24, 2023, the Speaker appointed conferees on the part of the House for the consideration of amendments proposed by the Senate to the following House bill:

H.B. No. 133, H.D. 1 (S.D. 2):

Representatives Tarnas, Yamashita, co-chairs; Kitagawa, Takayama, Souza,  
was placed on file.

Hse. Com. No. 863, informing the Senate that on April 24, 2023, the Speaker appointed conferees on the part of the House for the consideration of amendments proposed by the Senate to the following House bills:

H.B. No. 923, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1):

Representatives Hashimoto, Yamashita, co-chairs; Aiu, Evslin, Matsumoto.

H.B. No. 1101, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1):

Representatives Ichiyama, Yamashita, co-chairs; Kitagawa, Poepoe, Souza.

H.B. No. 1183, H.D. 1 (S.D. 2):

Representatives Ichiyama, Matayoshi, Poepoe, co-chairs; Garrett, Souza.

H.B. No. 1294, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1):

Representatives Tarnas, chair; Takayama, Souza.

H.B. No. 1363, H.D. 3 (S.D. 2):

Representatives Matayoshi, Hashimoto, Yamashita, co-chairs; Matsumoto.

H.B. No. 1385, H.D. 2 (S.D. 2):

Representatives Ichiyama, Tarnas, Nishimoto, co-chairs; Onishi, Takayama, Souza.

H.B. No. 1511, H.D. 1 (S.D. 2):

Representatives Ichiyama, Yamashita, co-chairs; Souza,  
was placed on file.

Hse. Com. No. 864, informing the Senate that on April 24, 2023, the Speaker appointed conferees on the part of the House for the consideration of amendments proposed by the House to the following Senate bills:

S.B. No. 602, S.D. 2 (H.D. 1):

Representatives Nakashima, chair; Sayama, Pierick.

S.B. No. 930, S.D. 1 (H.D. 2):

Representatives Hashimoto, Sayama, co-chairs; Aiu, Marten, Matsumoto.

S.B. No. 968, S.D. 2 (H.D. 1):

Representatives Todd, Matayoshi, Kila, co-chairs; Matsumoto.

S.B. No. 1024, S.D. 2 (H.D. 1):

Representatives Todd, Lowen, Kila, co-chairs; Matsumoto.

S.B. No. 1044, S.D. 2 (H.D. 2):

Representatives Woodson, Belatti, Morikawa, co-chairs; Evslin, Garcia.

S.B. No. 1520, S.D. 2 (H.D. 1):

Representatives Lowen, Perruso, Yamashita, co-chairs; Cochran, Evslin, Ward.

S.B. No. 1534, S.D. 2 (H.D. 3):

Representatives Todd, Sayama, Kila, co-chairs; Matsumoto,  
was placed on file.

Hse. Com. No. 865, informing the Senate that on April 24, 2023, the Speaker made the following changes to the conferees on the following bill:

S.B. No. 735, S.D. 1 (H.D. 2):

Representative Kitagawa added as co-chair,  
was placed on file.

Hse. Com. No. 866, informing the Senate that on April 24, 2023, the Speaker appointed conferees on the part of the House for the consideration of amendments proposed by the House to the following Senate bill:

S.B. No. 833, S.D. 2 (H.D. 3):

Representatives Ichiyama, Tarnas, Yamashita, co-chairs; Souza,  
was placed on file.

Hse. Com. No. 867, informing the Senate that on April 24, 2023, the Speaker appointed conferees on the part of the House for the consideration of amendments proposed by the Senate to the following House bills:

H.B. No. 339, H.D. 2 (S.D. 1):

Representatives Mizuno, Garrett, Kobayashi, co-chairs; Amato, Garcia.

H.B. No. 954, H.D. 2 (S.D. 2):

Representatives Holt, Yamashita, co-chairs; Evslin, Kitagawa, Lamosao, Pierick.

H.B. No. 974, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1):

Representatives Gates, Kahaloa, co-chairs; Cochran, Poepoe, Ward.

H.B. No. 1156, H.D. 2 (S.D. 2):

Representatives Belatti, Tarnas, Nishimoto, co-chairs; Takenouchi, Garcia.

H.B. No. 1184, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1):

Representatives Matayoshi, Garrett, co-chairs; Kitagawa, Alcos.

H.B. No. 1396, H.D. 2 (S.D. 2):

Representatives Lowen, Ichiyama, Belatti, Yamashita, co-chairs; Souza,

was placed on file.

Hse. Com. No. 868, informing the Senate that on April 24, 2023, the Speaker appointed conferees on the part of the House for the consideration of amendments proposed by the House to the following Senate bills:

S.B. No. 155, S.D. 1 (H.D. 1):

Representatives Perruso, Poepoe, co-chairs; Cochran, La Chica, Garcia.

S.B. No. 156, S.D. 1 (H.D. 1):

Representatives Woodson, Morikawa, co-chairs; La Chica, Garcia.

S.B. No. 390, S.D. 1 (H.D. 2):

Representatives Belatti, Sayama, co-chairs; Hussey-Burdick, Pierick.

S.B. No. 726, S.D. 1 (H.D. 1):

Representatives Matayoshi, Garrett, co-chairs; Alcos.

S.B. No. 1313, S.D. 1 (H.D. 1):

Representatives Matayoshi, Garrett, co-chairs; Alcos,

was placed on file.

Hse. Com. No. 869, informing the Senate that on April 24, 2023, the Speaker discharged all conferees to S.B. No. 1311, S.D. 2 (H.D. 1), was placed on file.

#### CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Senator Rhoads, for the Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House to S.B. No. 228, S.D. 1, presented a report (Conf. Com. Rep. No. 1) recommending that S.B. No. 228, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, as amended in C.D. 1, pass Final Reading.

In accordance with Article III, Section 15 of the Constitution of the State of Hawai'i, action on Conf. Com. Rep. No. 1 and S.B. No. 228, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FRAUD," was deferred for a period of 48 hours.

#### STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Senator Inouye, for the Committee on Water and Land, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1989) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of JOHN KOMIJI to the Mauna Kea Stewardship and Oversight Authority, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 541.

In accordance with Senate Rule 37(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1989 and Gov. Msg. No. 541 was deferred until Thursday, April 27, 2023.

Senator Inouye, for the Committee on Water and Land, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1990) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations to the Mauna Kea Stewardship and Oversight Authority of the following:

PAUL HORNER, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 538;

RICHARD MATSUDA, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 542;

GARY KRUG, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 543; and

KAMANAMAICALANI BEAMER, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 544.

In accordance with Senate Rule 37(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1990 and Gov. Msg. Nos. 538, 542, 543, and 544 was deferred until Thursday, April 27, 2023.

Senator Inouye, for the Committee on Water and Land, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1991) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations to the Mauna Kea Stewardship and Oversight Authority of the following:

MICHELLE WONG-WILSON, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 537;

JOSHUA MANGAUIL, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 539; and

POMAICALANI BERTELMANN, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 540.

In accordance with Senate Rule 37(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1991 and Gov. Msg. Nos. 537, 539, and 540 was deferred until Thursday, April 27, 2023.

Senator Lee, for the Committee on Transportation and Culture and the Arts, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1992) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations to the State Highway Safety Council of the following:

TIFFANY YAJIMA, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 568; and

TIFFANY LIGHTFOOT, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 569.

In accordance with Senate Rule 37(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1992 and Gov. Msg. Nos. 568 and 569 was deferred until Thursday, April 27, 2023.

Senator Lee, for the Committee on Transportation and Culture and the Arts, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1993) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of LEINAALA LOPEZ to the King Kamehameha Celebration Commission, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 591.

In accordance with Senate Rule 37(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1993 and Gov. Msg. No. 591 was deferred until Thursday, April 27, 2023.

Senator Lee, for the Committee on Transportation and Culture and the Arts, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1994) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of RANDALL FUJIKI to the State Foundation on Culture and the Arts, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 632.

In accordance with Senate Rule 37(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1994 and Gov. Msg. No. 632 was deferred until Thursday, April 27, 2023.

Senator DeCoite, for the Committee on Energy, Economic Development and Tourism, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1995) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations to the Hawai'i Community Development Authority (Heeia District) of the following:

JO-ANN LEONG, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 579; and

KAIWIPUNI LIPE, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 669.

In accordance with Senate Rule 37(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1995 and Gov. Msg. Nos. 579 and 669 was deferred until Thursday, April 27, 2023.

Senator DeCoite, for the Committee on Energy, Economic Development and Tourism, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1996) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of KEVIN SAKODA to the Hawai'i Community Development Authority (Kakaako District), in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 668.

In accordance with Senate Rule 37(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1996 and Gov. Msg. No. 668 was deferred until Thursday, April 27, 2023.

Senator DeCoite, for the Committee on Energy, Economic Development and Tourism, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1997) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of PETER APO to the Hawai'i Community Development Authority, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 662.

In accordance with Senate Rule 37(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1997 and Gov. Msg. No. 662 was deferred until Thursday, April 27, 2023.

Senator DeCoite, for the Committee on Energy, Economic Development and Tourism, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1998) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of CHASON ISHII to the Hawai'i Community Development Authority, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 639.

In accordance with Senate Rule 37(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1998 and Gov. Msg. No. 639 was deferred until Thursday, April 27, 2023.

Senator DeCoite, for the Committee on Energy, Economic Development and Tourism, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1999) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of MATTHEW SULLIVAN to the Hawai'i Technology Development Corporation, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 638.

In accordance with Senate Rule 37(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1999 and Gov. Msg. No. 638 was deferred until Thursday, April 27, 2023.

Senator Rhoads, for the Committee on Judiciary, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2000) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of ARSIMA MULLER to the Civil Rights Commission, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 562.

In accordance with Senate Rule 37(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2000 and Gov. Msg. No. 562 was deferred until Thursday, April 27, 2023.

Senator Keohokalole, for the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2001) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of ROBYN JUMAWAN to the State Boxing Commission of Hawaii, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 618.

In accordance with Senate Rule 37(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2001 and Gov. Msg. No. 618 was deferred until Thursday, April 27, 2023.

Senator Keohokalole, for the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2002) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of JOHN CAUDELL, JR. to the Motor Vehicle Industry Licensing Board, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 624.

In accordance with Senate Rule 37(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2002 and Gov. Msg. No. 624 was deferred until Thursday, April 27, 2023.

Senator Keohokalole, for the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2003) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of CORINNE MAUL DE SOTO to the Board of Naturopathic Medicine, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 550.

In accordance with Senate Rule 37(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2003 and Gov. Msg. No. 550 was deferred until Thursday, April 27, 2023.

Senator San Buenaventura, for the Committee on Health and Human Services, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2004) recommending that H.C.R. No. 96 be adopted.

By unanimous consent, action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2004 and H.C.R. No. 96, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE AUDITOR TO ASSESS THE SOCIAL AND FINANCIAL EFFECTS OF MANDATORY HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR FERTILITY PRESERVATION PROCEDURES FOR CERTAIN PERSONS WHO HAVE BEEN DIAGNOSED WITH CANCER AND WHOSE CANCER OR CANCER TREATMENT MAY ADVERSELY AFFECT THEIR FERTILITY," was deferred until Thursday, April 27, 2023.

#### ORDER OF THE DAY

#### ADVISE AND CONSENT

#### MATTER DEFERRED FROM WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19, 2023

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1913 (Gov. Msg. No. 660):

Senator Inouye moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1913 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Elefante and carried.

Senator Inouye then moved that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of LAWRENCE MIIKE to the Commission on Water Resource Management, term to expire June 30, 2027, seconded by Senator Elefante.

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

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

**FINAL READING****MATTER DEFERRED FROM  
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19, 2023**

S.B. No. 1311, S.D. 2, H.D. 1:

By unanimous consent, action on S.B. No. 1311, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE REPEAL OF ACT 192, SESSION LAWS OF HAWAII 2007," was deferred.

**ADVISE AND CONSENT**

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1972 (Gov. Msg. Nos. 594, 595, 612, and 629):

Senator San Buenaventura moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1972 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Aquino and carried.

Senator San Buenaventura then moved that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations to the State Council on Mental Health of the following:

KRISTIN WILL, term to expire June 30, 2026 (Gov. Msg. No. 594);

HEIDI ILYAVI, term to expire June 30, 2026 (Gov. Msg. No. 595);

JOHN BETLACH, term to expire June 30, 2026 (Gov. Msg. No. 612); and

MARY WATERHOUSE, term to expire June 30, 2024 (Gov. Msg. No. 629),

seconded by Senator Aquino.

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

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1973 (Gov. Msg. Nos. 604 and 605):

Senator San Buenaventura moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1973 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Aquino and carried.

Senator San Buenaventura then moved that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations to the Health Planning Council, Hawaii County Subarea of the following:

JAMIE CAMEROS, term to expire June 30, 2023 (Gov. Msg. No. 604); and

JAMIE CAMEROS, term to expire June 30, 2027 (Gov. Msg. No. 605),

seconded by Senator Aquino.

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

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1974 (Gov. Msg. Nos. 559 and 572):

Senator San Buenaventura moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1974 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Aquino and carried.

Senator San Buenaventura then moved that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations to the State Council on Developmental Disabilities of the following:

JOHN BEEBE, term to expire June 30, 2026 (Gov. Msg. No. 559); and

JAMES LABRIE, term to expire June 30, 2027 (Gov. Msg. No. 572),

seconded by Senator Aquino.

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

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1975 (Gov. Msg. Nos. 664, 665, and 666):

Senator San Buenaventura moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1975 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Aquino and carried.

Senator San Buenaventura then moved that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations to the State Council on Developmental Disabilities of the following:

MARY BROGAN, term to expire June 30, 2027 (Gov. Msg. No. 664);

DEBORAH KOBAYAKAWA, term to expire June 30, 2027 (Gov. Msg. No. 665); and

ALANA SOUZA, term to expire June 30, 2027 (Gov. Msg. No. 666),

seconded by Senator Aquino.

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

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1976 (Gov. Msg. Nos. 553 and 555):

Senator San Buenaventura moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1976 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Aquino and carried.

Senator San Buenaventura then moved that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations to the State Rehabilitation Council of the following:

JUDY GUAJARDO, term to expire June 30, 2025 (Gov. Msg. No. 553); and

HOWARD LESSER, term to expire June 30, 2025 (Gov. Msg. No. 555),

seconded by Senator Aquino.

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

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1977 (Gov. Msg. Nos. 606 and 607):

Senator San Buenaventura moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1977 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Aquino and carried.

Senator San Buenaventura then moved that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations to the Disability and Communication Access Board of the following:

TERESA SPINOLA-CAMPBELL, term to expire June 30, 2023 (Gov. Msg. No. 606); and

TERESA SPINOLA-CAMPBELL, term to expire June 30, 2027 (Gov. Msg. No. 607),

seconded by Senator Aquino.

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

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1978 (Gov. Msg. Nos. 560 and 561):

Senator San Buenaventura moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1978 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Aquino and carried.

Senator San Buenaventura then moved that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations to the Statewide Health Coordinating Council of the following:

JENNIE CHAHANOVICH, term to expire June 30, 2025 (Gov. Msg. No. 560); and

JONAGUSTINE LIM, term to expire June 30, 2026 (Gov. Msg. No. 561),

seconded by Senator Aquino.

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

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1979 (Gov. Msg. Nos. 556 and 557):

Senator San Buenaventura moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1979 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Aquino and carried.

Senator San Buenaventura then moved that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations to the Health Planning Council, Tri-Isle Subarea of the following:

FRANCINE JOHANSEN, term to expire June 30, 2026 (Gov. Msg. No. 556); and

ROBERT SHRODER, term to expire June 30, 2025 (Gov. Msg. No. 557),

seconded by Senator Aquino.

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

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1980 (Gov. Msg. No. 558):

Senator San Buenaventura moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1980 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Aquino and carried.

Senator San Buenaventura then moved that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of RENA SHIMATA to the Radiologic Technology Board, term to expire June 30, 2023, seconded by Senator Aquino.

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

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1981 (Gov. Msg. No. 641):

Senator San Buenaventura moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1981 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Aquino and carried.

Senator San Buenaventura then moved that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of JEFF ESMOND to the Commission on Fatherhood, term to expire June 30, 2027, seconded by Senator Aquino.

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

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1982 (Gov. Msg. Nos. 646, 647, 648, 649, 650, 651, and 667):

Senator Moriwaki moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1982 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Lee and carried.

Senator Moriwaki then moved that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations to the Hawai'i Workforce Development Council of the following:

DEREK KANEHIRA, term to expire June 30, 2027 (Gov. Msg. No. 646);

B. MANU BERMUDES, term to expire June 30, 2027 (Gov. Msg. No. 647);

ROBERT LIETZKE, term to expire June 30, 2027 (Gov. Msg. No. 648);

KELLY UEOKA, term to expire June 30, 2027 (Gov. Msg. No. 649);

DION DIZON, term to expire June 30, 2027 (Gov. Msg. No. 650);

CARLA KUOKAWA, term to expire June 30, 2026 (Gov. Msg. No. 651); and

SHELLI IHORI, term to expire June 30, 2027 (Gov. Msg. No. 667),

seconded by Senator Lee.

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

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1983 (Gov. Msg. Nos. 655, 656, 657, 658, and 659):

Senator Moriwaki moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1983 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Lee and carried.

Senator Moriwaki then moved that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations to the Hawai'i Retirement Savings Board of the following:

KAREN YASUKAWA, term to expire June 30, 2025 (Gov. Msg. No. 655);

JESSIE DEAN, term to expire June 30, 2026 (Gov. Msg. No. 656);

BRIAN TANIGUCHI, term to expire June 30, 2024 (Gov. Msg. No. 657);

ANDREW NOMURA, term to expire June 30, 2026 (Gov. Msg. No. 658); and

BARBARA KRIEG, term to expire June 30, 2025 (Gov. Msg. No. 659),

seconded by Senator Lee.

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

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1984 (Gov. Msg. No. 503):

Senator Moriwaki moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1984 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Lee and carried.

Senator Moriwaki then moved that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of DOUG MURDOCK as Chief

Information Officer of the Office of Enterprise Technology Services, term to expire at noon on December 7, 2026, seconded by Senator Lee.

Senator Moriwaki rose to speak in strong support of the nominee as follows:

“Colleagues, Doug Murdock has served as the chief information officer since 2019, leading the Office of Enterprise Technology Services. He’s led the state executive departments in modernizing our technology and business operations to better serve the public. His leadership during the state’s challenging COVID times included rapidly implementing Safe Travels, protecting the health of over 12 million residents and visitors, and fixing the antiquated unemployment insurance system, helping over 190,000 residents file their claims in 2020. His accomplishments were recognized by Center for Digital Government, Google, and Statescoop named Doug as its 2022 State Executive of the Year.

“Doug’s priorities and accomplishments have proven to be consistent with those of the Senate. He has modernized legacy systems such as the payroll, time, and leave systems; moved the state’s mainframe applications to cloud; enhanced the state’s cybersecurity system; and is currently working on IT consolidation of the executive branch departments to modernize business operations and technology to better serve the public and attract and keep the talent we need. The state has benefited from Doug’s outcome-driven team-building. One manager said he ‘fosters a team culture which promotes collaboration, creativity, and innovation, and encourages his team members to take ownership of their work—an inspiration for everyone around him.’ I enthusiastically urge the Senate to consent to Doug Murdock’s reappointment as the state’s chief information officer. Thank you.”

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

Ayes, 23. Noes, 2 (Kidani, Kim).

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1988 (Gov. Msg. Nos. 583, 584, 585, 586, and 587):

Senator Gabbard moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1988 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Richards and carried.

Senator Gabbard then moved that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations to the Board of Directors of the Agribusiness Development Corporation of the following:

JASON OKUHAMA, term to expire June 30, 2023 (Gov. Msg. No. 583);

JASON OKUHAMA, term to expire June 30, 2027 (Gov. Msg. No. 584);

JAYSON WATTS, term to expire June 30, 2025 (Gov. Msg. No. 585);

KAREN SEDDON, term to expire June 30, 2023 (Gov. Msg. No. 586); and

KAREN SEDDON, term to expire June 30, 2027 (Gov. Msg. No. 587),

seconded by Senator Richards.

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

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1985 (Gov. Msg. No. 529):

Senator Moriwaki moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1985 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Lee and carried.

Senator Moriwaki then moved that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of WILLIAM KUNSTMAN as Deputy Director of the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations, term to expire December 7, 2026, seconded by Senator Lee.

The Chair noted that, because session would be done five minutes after the votes on the nominee and the nominee for attorney general, the Senate would adjourn and invite the confirmed nominees down instead of recessing.

Senator Moriwaki rose to speak in support of the nominee as follows:

“Your Committee on Labor and Technology reviewed Mr. Kunstman’s background and performance and found that he has shown his commitment to the Department, serving over 12 years with five directors in a number of different capacities as program evaluation analyst, public information officer, assistant to the director, legislative coordinator, and administrative rules coordinator. He also served as Labor committee clerk for Senator Dwight Takamine, assisting and overseeing measures relating to the Department. Bill received a master’s degree in public administration and in library & information science from the UH Mānoa and a bachelor of arts degree in history from the University of Wisconsin at Madison.

“During hearings, Bill demonstrated his knowledge of the needs of the Department and the challenges that it currently faces. As deputy, he will be updating the Department’s policies and procedures, increasing its resources and capacity through modernization, re-engaging stakeholders, and ensuring a collaborative culture among the various divisions of the Department. With his broad knowledge and practical experience with labor policies and issues in Hawai’i, his demonstrated understanding of the Department’s mission, his institutional knowledge and working relations with staff and stakeholders—both management and labor—and his dedication to public service, Bill is eminently qualified to assist the director and the Department in meeting the challenges facing our state’s workers and employers. I strongly urge the Senate to advise and consent Bill Kunstman as deputy director of the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations.”

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

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Senator Moriwaki introduced Deputy Director Bill Kunstman, who was present in the gallery with his wife and family and staff of the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations.

Senator Moriwaki then introduced Chief Information Officer Doug Murdock, who was present in the gallery with staff of the Office of Enterprise Technology Services.

Senator San Buenaventura introduced the following newly confirmed members of boards and commissions who were seated in the gallery: Jeff Esmond of the Commission on Fatherhood; and Deborah Kobayakawa and James LaBrie of the State Council on Developmental Disabilities.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1986 (Gov. Msg. No. 502):

Senator Rhoads moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1986 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Gabbard and carried.

Senator Rhoads then moved that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of ANNE LOPEZ as Attorney General of the Department of the Attorney General, term to expire at noon on December 7, 2026, seconded by Senator Gabbard.

Senator Rhoads rose to speak in support of the nominee as follows:

“Anne Lopez is well known for her work as vice president and general counsel of the Hawai‘i Health System Corporation. Her role at HHSC included facilitation of the complex transfer of three Maui hospitals from HHSC to Maui Health Systems and leading the in-house legal department that encompassed attorneys, legal support staff, and the corporate director of risk management. She was with HHSC for seven years before being selected by the governor to return to the Department of the Attorney General. Immediately prior to her work at HHSC, Ms. Lopez was the special assistant to the attorney general, an important role which provided her with a strong understanding of the workings of the department.

“Ms. Lopez brings with her 10 years of litigation experience in the private sector, with the firms of Kobayashi Sugita & Goda and Chun Kerr Dodd Beaman & Wong. She was also a law clerk for former justice Paula Nakayama, who recently retired from the Hawai‘i Supreme Court. Ms. Lopez received her law degree in 2001 from the William S. Richardson School of Law at the University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa, where she was the co-editor in chief for the *University of Hawai‘i Law Review* and graduated summa cum laude. Her legal career followed an earlier career as an occupational therapist for more than a decade, and she received her undergraduate bachelor of science degree from San Jose State University.

“The committee received voluminous testimony on Ms. Lopez’s nomination from a wide range of current and past colleagues as well as government and nonprofit leaders and two former attorneys general. She has been serving as attorney general since December and seeks to bring a new style of leadership to the department.

“After having reviewed the testimony on the nomination, which was overwhelmingly in support of her confirmation, and other materials submitted to the committee and having examined the nominee in a hearing, your Judiciary committee finds that Anne Lopez is qualified to serve as Hawai‘i attorney general and recommends that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination. Mahalo.”

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

Ayes, 24. Noes, 1 (Awa).

Senator Rhoads introduced Attorney General Anne Lopez, who was present in the gallery with her mom, Millie, visiting from California; her spouse, Sherrie Sato; her brothers Grant and Matt Lopez and sister Claire Barnett; her sister-in-law Dianne Lopez; her brother-in-law Mike Barnett; and her Honolulu mom, Leticia Ho.

The Chair acknowledged staff of the Department of the Attorney General who were accompanying Attorney General Lopez in the gallery.

#### ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION

##### MATTER DEFERRED FROM MONDAY, APRIL 24, 2023

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1987 (S.R. No. 202):

On motion by Senator Wakai, seconded by Senator DeCoite and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.R. No. 202, entitled: “SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING

THE OFFICE OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR OF THE COURTS OF THE HAWAII STATE JUDICIARY TO COLLECT, COMPILE, AND SHARE DATA ON THE ASSESSMENT OF FEES, COURT COSTS, FINES, AND RESTITUTION IN CASES AGAINST MINORS,” was adopted.

At this time, Senator Gabbard introduced newly confirmed members of the Board of Directors of the Agribusiness Development Corporation who were present in the gallery: Jason Okuhama, Jayson Watts, and Karen Seddon. Senator Gabbard thanked them for stepping forward.

Senator San Buenaventura invited the members to a showing of the movie *Kapu* at the Auditorium later that evening from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Senator San Buenaventura explained that *Kapu* was about ancient Hawaiian burial rites and had been selected for the previous year’s Hawai‘i Film Festival.

Senator Fevella congratulated the James Campbell High School sabers softball team, which had won the OIA championship the previous Saturday and would be going to the state tournament. Senator Fevella added that the team had played Wai‘anae, and that both teams had done a great job.

Senator Kim congratulated Iam Tongi for making it to the top 12 of *American Idol*. Senator Kim urged the members to watch the show on Sunday and vote for Mr. Tongi.

The Chair then announced that there would be a leadership meeting immediately following adjournment.

#### APPOINTMENT AND DISCHARGE OF CONFEREES

H.B. No. 28, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1):

In accordance with the disagreement of the House to the amendments proposed by the Senate to H.B. No. 28, H.D. 1, and the request for a conference on the subject matter thereof, the President appointed Senators DeCoite, chair; Keith-Agaran, co-chair; Fevella as manager on the part of the Senate at such conference.

The President appointed Senator Dela Cruz as chair and discharged Senator DeCoite as chair on the part of the Senate at the conference to be held for the consideration of amendments proposed by the Senate to H.B. No. 28, H.D. 1.

H.B. No. 690, H.D. 1 (S.D. 2):

In accordance with the disagreement of the House to the amendments proposed by the Senate to H.B. No. 690, H.D. 1, and the request for a conference on the subject matter thereof, the President appointed Senators Gabbard, chair; Aquino, co-chair; Richards as manager on the part of the Senate at such conference.

H.B. No. 1294, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1):

In accordance with the disagreement of the House to the amendments proposed by the Senate to H.B. No. 1294, H.D. 1, and the request for a conference on the subject matter thereof, the President appointed Senators Rhoads, chair; Gabbard, San Buenaventura as managers on the part of the Senate at such conference.

H.B. No. 1369, H.D. 1 (S.D. 2):

In accordance with the disagreement of the House to the amendments proposed by the Senate to H.B. No. 1369, H.D. 1, and the request for a conference on the subject matter thereof, the President appointed Senators San Buenaventura, chair; Lee, co-chair; Aquino as manager on the part of the Senate at such conference.



**ADJOURNMENT**

At 11:51 a.m., on motion by Senator Wakai, seconded by Senator DeCoite and carried, the Senate adjourned until 6:30 p.m., Thursday, April 27, 2023.