FIFTY-NINTH DAY

Tuesday, May 2, 2023

The Senate of the Thirty-Second Legislature of the State of Hawai'i, Regular Session of 2023, convened at 10:12 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-Eighth Day.

HOUSE COMMUNICATION

The following communication from the House (Hse. Com. No. 897) was read by the Clerk and was placed on file:

Hse. Com. No. 897, informing the Senate that on April 28, 2023, the House reconsidered its action taken on April 13, 2023, in disagreeing to the amendments proposed by the Senate to H.B. No. 1081, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1).

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORTS

Senator San Buenaventura, for the Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House to S.B. No. 295, S.D. 2, presented a report (Conf. Com. Rep. No. 172) recommending that S.B. No. 295, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, 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. 172 and S.B. No. 295, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE CHILD WELFARE SERVICES," was deferred for a period of 48 hours.

Senator Aquino, for the Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House to S.B. No. 1592, S.D. 2, presented a report (Conf. Com. Rep. No. 173) recommending that S.B. No. 1592, S.D. 2, 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. 173 and S.B. No. 1592, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE SENIOR MEDICARE PATROL PROGRAM," was deferred for a period of 48 hours.

Senator Inouye, for the Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House to S.B. No. 67, S.D. 1, presented a report (Conf. Com. Rep. No. 174) recommending that S.B. No. 67, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, 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. 174 and S.B. No. 67, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COMMERCIAL ACTIVITIES ON BEACHES," was deferred for a period of 48 hours.

Senator Aquino, for the Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House to S.B. No. 1370, S.D. 1, presented a report (Conf. Com. Rep. No. 175) recommending that S.B. No. 1370, 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. 175 and S.B. No. 1370, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LICENSES TO SOLEMNIZE MARRIAGES," was deferred for a period of 48 hours.

Senator San Buenaventura, for the Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House to S.B. No. 404, S.D. 2, presented a report (Conf. Com. Rep. No. 176) recommending that S.B. No. 404, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, 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. 176 and S.B. No. 404, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HOSPITAL SUSTAINABILITY PROGRAM," was deferred for a period of 48 hours.

Senator Lee, for the Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House to S.B. No. 1534, S.D. 2, presented a report (Conf. Com. Rep. No. 177) recommending that S.B. No. 1534, S.D. 2, H.D. 3, 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. 177 and S.B. No. 1534, S.D. 2, H.D. 3, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION," was deferred for a period of 48 hours.

Senator San Buenaventura, for the Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House to S.B. No. 900, S.D. 2, presented a report (Conf. Com. Rep. No. 178) recommending that S.B. No. 900, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, 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. 178 and S.B. No. 900, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII STATE HEALTH INSURANCE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM," was deferred for a period of 48 hours.

Senator San Buenaventura, for the Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House to S.B. No. 674, S.D. 1, presented a report (Conf. Com. Rep. No. 179) recommending that S.B. No. 674, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, 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. 179 and S.B. No. 674, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE INTERSTATE MEDICAL LICENSURE COMPACT," was deferred for a period of 48 hours.

Senator Chang, for the Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House to S.B. No. 865, S.D. 2, presented a report (Conf. Com. Rep. No. 180) recommending that S.B. No. 865, S.D. 2, 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. 180 and S.B. No. 865, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HOUSING," was deferred for a period of 48 hours.

Senator Inouye, for the Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House to S.B. No. 1064, S.D. 2, presented a report (Conf. Com. Rep. No. 181) recommending that S.B. No. 1064, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, 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. 181 and S.B. No. 1064, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DAM AND APPURTENANCE SAFETY," was deferred for a period of 48 hours.

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. 813, S.D. 1, presented a report (Conf. Com. Rep. No. 182) recommending that S.B. No. 813, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, 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. 182 and S.B. No. 813, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COURT INTERPRETERS," was deferred for a period of 48 hours.

Senator Moriwaki, for the Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House to S.B. No. 898, S.D. 2, presented a report (Conf. Com. Rep. No. 183) recommending that S.B. No. 898, S.D. 2, 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. 183 and S.B. No. 898, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO KUPUNA HOUSING," was deferred for a period of 48 hours.

Senator Moriwaki, for the Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House to S.B. No. 1141, S.D. 2, presented a report (Conf. Com. Rep. No. 184) recommending that S.B. No. 1141, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, 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. 184 and S.B. No. 1141, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION," was deferred for a period of 48 hours.

Senator Kidani, for the Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House to S.B. No. 830, S.D. 2, presented a report (Conf. Com. Rep. No. 185) recommending that S.B. No. 830, S.D. 2, 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. 185 and S.B. No. 830, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EMERGENCY MEDICAL RESPONSE," was deferred for a period of 48 hours.

Senator Gabbard, for the Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House to S.B. No. 1417, S.D. 1, presented a report (Conf. Com. Rep. No. 186) recommending that S.B. No. 1417, 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. 186 and S.B. No. 1417, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CLIMATE CHANGE," was deferred for a period of 48 hours.

Senator Gabbard, for the Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House to S.B. No. 1588, S.D. 2, presented a report (Conf. Com. Rep. No. 187) recommending that S.B. No. 1588, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, 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. 187 and S.B. No. 1588, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD SAFETY," was deferred for a period of 48 hours. Senator Gabbard, for the Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House to S.B. No. 1552, S.D. 2, presented a report (Conf. Com. Rep. No. 188) recommending that S.B. No. 1552, S.D. 2, 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. 188 and S.B. No. 1552, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO INVASIVE SPECIES," was deferred for a period of 48 hours.

Senator Gabbard, for the Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House to S.B. No. 743, S.D. 1, presented a report (Conf. Com. Rep. No. 189) recommending that S.B. No. 743, 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. 189 and S.B. No. 743, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COFFEE PEST CONTROL," was deferred for a period of 48 hours.

Senator Dela Cruz, for the Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the House to the amendments proposed by the Senate to H.B. No. 300, H.D. 1, presented a report (Conf. Com. Rep. No. 190) recommending that H.B. No. 300, H.D. 1, S.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. 190 and H.B. No. 300, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET," was deferred for a period of 48 hours.

Senator Dela Cruz, for the Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the House to the amendments proposed by the Senate to H.B. No. 33, H.D. 1, presented a report (Conf. Com. Rep. No. 191) recommending that H.B. No. 33, H.D. 1, S.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. 191 and H.B. No. 33, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO STATE BONDS," was deferred for a period of 48 hours.

Senator Dela Cruz, for the Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the House to the amendments proposed by the Senate to H.B. No. 28, H.D. 1, presented a report (Conf. Com. Rep. No. 192) recommending that H.B. No. 28, H.D. 1, S.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. 192 and H.B. No. 28, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO STATE PROGRAMS," was deferred for a period of 48 hours.

Senator Dela Cruz, for the Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the House to the amendments proposed by the Senate to H.B. No. 1018, H.D. 1, presented a report (Conf. Com. Rep. No. 193) recommending that H.B. No. 1018, H.D. 1, S.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. 193 and H.B. No. 1018, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO STATE FUNDS," was deferred for a period of 48 hours.

Senator Keith-Agaran, for the Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the House to the amendments proposed by the Senate to H.B. No. 1020, presented a report (Conf. Com. Rep. No. 194) recommending that H.B. No. 1020, S.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. 194 and H.B. No. 1020, S.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PAYMENT OF CLAIMS OF THE UNCLAIMED PROPERTY PROGRAM," was deferred for a period of 48 hours.

Senator Dela Cruz, for the Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the House to the amendments proposed by the Senate to H.B. No. 1022, H.D. 1, presented a report (Conf. Com. Rep. No. 195) recommending that H.B. No. 1022, H.D. 1, S.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. 195 and H.B. No. 1022, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FUNDING ADJUSTMENTS FOR STATE PROGRAMS," was deferred for a period of 48 hours.

Senator San Buenaventura, for the Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House to S.B. No. 975, S.D. 2, presented a report (Conf. Com. Rep. No. 196) recommending that S.B. No. 975, S.D. 2, H.D. 3, 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. 196 and S.B. No. 975, S.D. 2, H.D. 3, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH," was deferred for a period of 48 hours.

Senator San Buenaventura, for the Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House to S.B. No. 239, S.D. 2, presented a report (Conf. Com. Rep. No. 197) recommending that S.B. No. 239, S.D. 2, H.D. 3, 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. 197 and S.B. No. 239, S.D. 2, H.D. 3, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EARLY LEARNING ACCREDITATION," was deferred for a period of 48 hours.

Senator Inouye, for the Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House to S.B. No. 833, S.D. 2, presented a report (Conf. Com. Rep. No. 198) recommending that S.B. No. 833, S.D. 2, H.D. 3, 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. 198 and S.B. No. 833, S.D. 2, H.D. 3, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE WAHIAWA IRRIGATION SYSTEM," was deferred for a period of 48 hours.

Senator San Buenaventura, for the Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House to S.B. No. 318, S.D. 2, presented a report (Conf. Com. Rep. No. 199) recommending that S.B. No. 318, S.D. 2, 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. 199 and S.B. No. 318, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FETAL ALCOHOL SPECTRUM DISORDERS," was deferred for a period of 48 hours.

Senator Moriwaki, for the Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House to S.B. No. 435, S.D. 1, presented a report (Conf. Com. Rep. No. 200) recommending that S.B. No. 435, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, 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. 200 and S.B. No. 435, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC WORKS," was deferred for a period of 48 hours.

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. 1277, S.D. 2, presented a report (Conf. Com. Rep. No. 201) recommending that S.B. No. 1277, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, 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. 201 and S.B. No. 1277, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR CLAIMS AGAINST THE STATE, ITS OFFICERS, OR ITS EMPLOYEES," was deferred for a period of 48 hours.

Senator Rhoads, for the Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the House to the amendments proposed by the Senate to H.B. No. 382, H.D. 1, presented a report (Conf. Com. Rep. No. 202) recommending that H.B. No. 382, H.D. 1, S.D. 3, 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. 202 and H.B. No. 382, H.D. 1, S.D. 3, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE JUDICIARY," was deferred for a period of 48 hours.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Senator Keohokalole, for the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2018) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations to the Contractors License Board of the following:

PAUL ALEJADO, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 622;

ERIC HIGASHIHARA, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 623;

RANDALL LAU, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 642; and

DARYL SUEHIRO, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 645.

In accordance with Senate Rule 37(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2018 and Gov. Msg. Nos. 622, 623, 642, and 645 was deferred until Thursday, May 4, 2023.

Senator Keohokalole, for the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2019) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations to the Board of Psychology of the following:

JEFFREY STERN, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 592; and

JILL OLIVEIRA CABBAB, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 625.

In accordance with Senate Rule 37(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2019 and Gov. Msg. Nos. 592 and 625 was deferred until Thursday, May 4, 2023.

Senator Keohokalole, for the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2020) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations to the Board of Dentistry of the following: JONATHAN LAU, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 548;

CRAIG YAMAMOTO, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 549;

ANDREW TSEU, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 613; and

JOYCE YAMADA, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 615.

In accordance with Senate Rule 37(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2020 and Gov. Msg. Nos. 548, 549, 613, and 615 was deferred until Thursday, May 4, 2023.

Senator McKelvey, for the Committee on Government Operations, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2021) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations to the Procurement Policy Board of the following:

LANCE INOUYE, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 589;

RICHARD HELTZEL, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 590;

DIANE NAKAGAWA, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 610;

LISA MARUYAMA, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 611; and

LANCE INOUYE, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 661.

In accordance with Senate Rule 37(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2021 and Gov. Msg. Nos. 589, 590, 610, 611, and 661 was deferred until Thursday, May 4, 2023.

Senator Keohokalole, for the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2022) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of WALLACE KOJIMA to the Board of Optometry, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 588.

In accordance with Senate Rule 37(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2022 and Gov. Msg. No. 588 was deferred until Thursday, May 4, 2023.

Senator Keohokalole, for the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2023) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of JONATHAN MONTALBO to the Pest Control Board, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 626.

In accordance with Senate Rule 37(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2023 and Gov. Msg. No. 626 was deferred until Thursday, May 4, 2023.

Senator Keohokalole, for the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2024) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of DERRICK YAMANE to the Real Estate Commission, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 616.

In accordance with Senate Rule 37(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2024 and Gov. Msg. No. 616 was deferred until Thursday, May 4, 2023.

Senator Keohokalole, for the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2025) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of HOWARD LAU to the Board of Professional Engineers, Architects, Surveyors and Landscape Architects, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 627.

In accordance with Senate Rule 37(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2025 and Gov. Msg. No. 627 was deferred until Thursday, May 4, 2023. Senator Moriwaki, for the Committee on Labor and Technology, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2026) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of BRENNA HASHIMOTO as Director of the Department of Human Resources Development, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 513.

In accordance with Senate Rule 37(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2026 and Gov. Msg. No. 513 was deferred until Thursday, May 4, 2023.

Senator Rhoads, for the Committee on Judiciary, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2027) recommending that the Senate consent to the appointment of KIMBERLY TSUMOTO GUIDRY as Associate Judge of the Intermediate Court of Appeals, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 675.

In accordance with Senate Rule 37(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2027 and Gov. Msg. No. 675 was deferred until Thursday, May 4, 2023.

Senator Wakai, for the Committee on Public Safety and Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2028) recommending that S.R. No. 138, as amended in S.D. 1, be adopted.

By unanimous consent, action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2028 and S.R. No. 138, S.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE RESOLUTION URGING THE UNITED STATES MARINE CORPS TO RELOCATE ALL LIVE FIRE TRAINING AND AVIATION ACTIVITY AWAY FROM PUULOA RANGE TRAINING FACILITY," was deferred until Thursday, May 4, 2023.

ORDER OF THE DAY

ADVISE AND CONSENT

MATTER DEFERRED FROM FRIDAY, APRIL 28, 2023

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2005 (Gov. Msg. Nos. 600 and 601):

Senator Kim moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2005 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Kidani and carried.

Senator Kim 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:

LAUREL LOO, term to expire June 30, 2027 (Gov. Msg. No. 600); and

ABIGAIL MAWAE, term to expire June 30, 2024 (Gov. Msg. No. 601),

seconded by Senator Kidani.

Senator Kim rose to speak in support of the nominees as follows:

"Laurel Loo has a long history with the University of Hawai'i since she was an undergraduate and graduate student during the '70s and '80s. She was born and raised on your island, Mr. President: Kaua'i. Going off to school at Manoa and experiencing dorm life was a new adventure for Laurel. Ambitious from the start, she was the editor-in-chief of the student newspaper, Ka Leo O Hawai'i, and later education writer for the Honolulu Advertiser. Laurel also obtained her law degree at the William S. Richardson School of Law, where she was an editor of the University of Hawai'i Law Review. During her time as an attorney, Laurel has trained various government and private boards and commissions in governance issues. Laurel is also a professionally trained mediator and per diem judge, the district and family courts of the Fifth Circuit. For her work in the justice system, Laurel was recognized by the Kaua'i Commission on the Status of Women and her alma mater,

Waimea High School, as an outstanding community leader. Laurel's integrity, intelligence, commitment, and dedication has been attested to by individuals she has previously and currently works with. During the past several months, while serving as an interim regent, Laurel has proven to be an outstanding addition to the Board, so I urge my colleagues to advise and consent to her nomination to the Board of Regents of the University of Hawai'i.

"I also rise in strong support of Abigail Mawae for the position of student regent on the University of Hawai'i Board of Regents. Abigail is a Native Hawaiian and has an accomplished history with the University of Hawai'i, graduating cum laude with a BA in communicology and serving as captain of UH's Fellowship of Christian Athletes. As a former Division I student athlete and as a current William Richardson School of Law student, Abigail has had ample preparation to be an advocate and voice for the student population in the decision-making process of the University. Abigail has already been serving as an interim student regent since her appointment by Governor Ige in 2022, during which she has helped formulate policies and exercise control over the 10-campus system. Abigail knows how to serve as a student liaison between UH student government and Board, and works diligently on the Committee for Academic and Student Affairs, Intercollegiate Athletics, and Research and Innovation. Her goal as a regent is to bring these perspectives to the decision-making process so that student voices and opinions are elevated and that the interests of the students are taken care of during the governing process. Three qualities Abigail possesses are her leadership skills, determination, and commitment. As a proud graduate and current law student, Abigail is determined and committed to this university. Abigail's qualities have been attested by many individuals she has previously and currently works with. During the past several months, while serving as an interim regent, Abigail has displayed her exceptional, outstanding role by asking the right questions and taking the right steps to represent the best of UH. So I urge my colleagues, please advise and consent to her nomination on the Board of Regents. Mahalo."

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

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

ADVISE AND CONSENT

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2013 (Gov. Msg. No. 602):

Senator Keohokalole moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2013 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Fukunaga and carried.

Senator Keohokalole then moved that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of ELIZABETH IGNACIO to the Hawaii Medical Board, term to expire June 30, 2026, seconded by Senator Fukunaga.

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. 2014 (Gov. Msg. No. 621):

Senator Keohokalole moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2014 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Fukunaga and carried.

Senator Keohokalole then moved that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of CARRIE OLIVEIRA to the State Board of Nursing, term to expire June 30, 2027, seconded by Senator Fukunaga.

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. 2015 (Gov. Msg. Nos. 603, 619 and 620):

Senator Keohokalole moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2015 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Fukunaga and carried.

Senator Keohokalole then moved that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations to the Board of Pharmacy of the following:

BRANDON RABANG, term to expire June 30, 2026 (Gov. Msg. No. 603);

PATRICK ADAMS, term to expire June 30, 2027 (Gov. Msg. No. 619); and

CATALINA CROSS, term to expire June 30, 2027 (Gov. Msg. No. 620),

seconded by Senator Fukunaga.

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. 2016 (Gov. Msg. Nos. 614, 617 and 640):

Senator Keohokalole moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2016 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Fukunaga and carried.

Senator Keohokalole then moved that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations to the Board of Electricians and Plumbers of the following:

PHILLIP LUCERO, term to expire June 30, 2027 (Gov. Msg. No. 614);

ROBERT BARRETT, term to expire June 30, 2027 (Gov. Msg. No. 617); and

SHEUNG MAN WONG, term to expire June 30, 2027 (Gov. Msg. No. 640),

seconded by Senator Fukunaga.

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

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Senator Kim introduced Abigail Mawae, newly confirmed student regent of the Board of Regents of the University of Hawai'i, who was seated in the gallery.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2017 (Gov. Msg. No. 508):

Senator Keohokalole moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2017 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Fukunaga and carried.

Senator Keohokalole then moved that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of NADINE ANDO as Director of the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs, term to expire at noon on December 7, 2026, seconded by Senator Fukunaga.

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

"Mr. President, your Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection finds that Ms. Ando's abilities, professional experience, and career accomplishments will be valuable assets to the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs, the state, and its consumers and businesses. Ms. Ando has extensive background in commercial and real estate litigation, professional liability law, insurance coverage, products liability, and employment litigation, having been a partner with some of the state's most highly respected law firms over the course of her 40-year career as an attorney. Ms. Ando has also received consistent professional recognition for her work, having been listed in Best Lawyers of America and Super Lawyers for her commercial litigation practice since 2006 and 2008, respectively. At the time of her appointment as interim director in December, Ms. Ando was working as litigation counsel with the law firm of Fukunaga Matayoshi Ching & Kon-Herrerra LLP. Ms. Ando serves on the advisory committee of the Bar Leadership Institute; is the lawyer-delegate for the United State District Court, Hawaii Judicial Conference; and previously served in multiple positions on the Hawaii State Bar Association Board of Directors, including as president, and now as the elected representative to and chair of the Hawai'i State Judicial Selection Commission. Upon review of the testimony, your Committee finds that Ms. Ando's background, experience, and commitment to public service qualify her for appointment as director of the DCCA.

"And, Mr. President, perhaps the best thing I can say about the nominee is that she has shown a commitment to working with us in the Legislature through the often-bumpy legislative process to get to a point where we can communicate and work together in the public interest while also acknowledging that we are going to have disagreements and that those disagreements cannot disrupt the need for us to keep open lines of communication and to maintain a collaborative working relationship. I think the Department and the people of Hawai'i will be better for it. Thank you very much, and I ask my colleagues to support her confirmation."

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

"I understand that Ms. Ando has a lot of litigation experience, but I see no experience in the regulatory matters. At a time that we are coming out of a pandemic, we need DCCA more than ever. We need those permits to be issued timely; we need those licenses, those certifications to proceed efficiently. I understand that Ms. Ando is inheriting the problems with DCCA, and that is the reason why I will support her. And I am hopeful that our CPN chair's recognition of her commitment to the Legislature will be followed through because it is with DCCA that our shortage of nursing staff has been exacerbated with the delay in processing their permits. It is with DCCA that our constituents who are having problems with getting their licenses through because now they really want to go to work is meeting one-hour-long delays when calling DCCA. So I'm hopeful that Ms. Ando will follow through with her promises to us, and that's the reason I will support her, but at this time, it's with reservations."

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

"It's pretty well known to everybody I did not come to this at all-in fact, I was in strong opposition for a good chunk of the session. I shared many of the concerns that were echoed by my colleague from Puna as well as the chair of CPN, but, you know, he did his due diligence and had numerous hearings on the nominee, asking numerous questions across all the spectrums. However, I think, during that time, she has risen to the challenge and shown us that she can, in the words of the CPN chair, do the job. It was in a meeting with her about an unrelated bill that she brought up the process of the nurse licensing and the inequities that have been basically digitized, for lack of a better word, and her belief that to take an affirmative role and going out and looking at what other states have done and working with other vendors to create a more streamlined and responsive system-I think that, to me, having that outside perspective and that now-new willingness. Also, she's done is, she's surrounding herself with people to advise

her and work with her who have a deep, rich knowledge of the DCCA, and there's a lot of problems, as you've heard earlier, that are going on. We have numerous other problems that DCCA will be the point entity for our constituents, but I am hopeful that she will continue the growth pattern that she's been on, and I share the confidence of the CPN chair in supporting him and the others in the nomination today. Thank you."

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

Ayes, 25; Ayes with Reservations (Kim, Moriwaki, San Buenaventura). Noes, none.

Senator Keohokalole introduced Director Nadine Ando, who was present in the gallery with Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs deputy director Dean Hazama and supporters and members of the Department.

The Chair stated that the Senate would take up several timesensitive floor amendments before recessing and having Director Ando escorted to the floor to be greeted by the members.

FINAL READING

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 108 (H.B. No. 933, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1):

Senator Keohokalole moved that Conf. Com. Rep. No. 108 be adopted and H.B. No. 933, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1, having been read throughout, pass Final Reading, seconded by Senator Lee.

Senator Keohokalole then offered the following amendment (Floor Amendment No. 14) to H.B. No. 933, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1:

SECTION 1. House Bill No. 933, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1, is amended by amending section 2 to read as follows:

"SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the public utilities commission special fund the sum of \$150,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2023-2024 and the same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2024-2025 to provide free telecommunications access to certain information for persons with a print disability.

The sums appropriated shall be expended by the public utilities commission for the purposes of this Act."

SECTION 2. House Bill No. 933, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1, is amended by deleting section 3 and renumbering section 4 as section 3.

Senator Keohokalole moved that Floor Amendment No. 14 be adopted, seconded by Senator Kanuha.

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

"Upon review of the final conference committee report, clarifications to the funding mechanism on this bill were necessary, justifying the floor amendment. Thank you."

The motion to adopt Floor Amendment No. 14 was then put by the Chair and carried.

Senator Keohokalole then moved that Conf. Com. Rep. No. 108 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Kanuha and carried.

By unanimous consent, H.B. No. 933, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACCESS FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH PRINT DISABILITIES," was placed on the calendar for Final Reading on Thursday, May 4, 2023. Conf. Com. Rep. No. 137 (H.B. No. 1366, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1):

Senator Moriwaki moved that Conf. Com. Rep. No. 137 be adopted and H.B. No. 1366, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1, having been read throughout, pass Final Reading, seconded by Senator Lee.

Senator San Buenaventura then offered the following amendment (Floor Amendment No. 8) to H.B. No. 1366, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1:

SECTION 1. House Bill No. 1366, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1, section 3, is amended to read as follows:

"SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$100,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2023-2024 for implementation of the return-to-home pilot program, including all program costs.

The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of human services for the purposes of this Act."

Senator San Buenaventura moved that Floor Amendment No. 8 be adopted, seconded by Senator Moriwaki.

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

"The floor amendment is made necessary to ensure that the funding clarification issued by our money committees is clarified in the amendment. Thank you."

The motion to adopt Floor Amendment No. 8 was then put by the Chair and carried.

Senator San Buenaventura then moved that Conf. Com. Rep. No. 137 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Moriwaki and carried.

By unanimous consent, H.B. No. 1366, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HOMELESSNESS," was placed on the calendar for Final Reading on Thursday, May 4, 2023.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 138 (H.B. No. 870, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1):

Senator San Buenaventura moved that Conf. Com. Rep. No. 138 be adopted and H.B. No. 870, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1, having been read throughout, pass Final Reading, seconded by Senator DeCoite.

Senator San Buenaventura then offered the following amendment (Floor Amendment No. 9) to H.B. No. 870, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1:

SECTION 1. House Bill No. 870, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1, is amended by amending section 3 to read as follows:

"SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$93,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2023-2024 to fund the establishment and operation of the neighbor islands blind and visually impaired service pilot program and working group, including the contracting of services to coordinate the convening of the working group and implementation of the pilot program; provided that:

- (1) The department of human services shall include funding for the pilot program in its regular budget request submitted in 2024; and
- (2) Any funds appropriated pursuant to this section shall be in addition to and shall not supplant any portion of the base budget for any state or county agency providing services for blind or visually impaired persons.

The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of human services for the purposes of this Act." Senator San Buenaventura moved that Floor Amendment No. 9 be adopted, seconded by Senator DeCoite.

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

"Like the previous amendment, this amendment's being offered to clarify the financial figures that is in H.B. 870, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1."

The motion to adopt Floor Amendment No. 9 was then put by the Chair and carried.

Senator San Buenaventura then moved that Conf. Com. Rep. No. 138 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator DeCoite and carried.

By unanimous consent, H.B. No. 870, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE NEIGHBOR ISLANDS BLIND AND VISUALLY IMPAIRED SERVICE PILOT PROGRAM," was placed on the calendar for Final Reading on Thursday, May 4, 2023.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 143 (H.B. No. 676, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1):

Senator Inouye moved that Conf. Com. Rep. No. 143 be adopted and H.B. No. 676, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1, having been read throughout, pass Final Reading, seconded by Senator Rhoads.

Senator Inouye then offered the following amendment (Floor Amendment No. 10) to H.B. No. 676, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1:

SECTION 1. House Bill No. 676, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1, is amended by deleting Sections 2 and 3.

SECTION 2. House Bill No. 676, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1, is amended by adding a new Section 2 to read as follows:

"SECTION 2. Section 205-3.1, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

"§205-3.1 Amendments to district boundaries. (a) District boundary amendments involving lands in the conservation district, land areas greater than fifteen acres, or lands delineated as important agricultural lands shall be processed by the land use commission pursuant to section 205-4[-], except as otherwise provided in this section.

(b) Any department or agency of the State, and department or agency of the county in which the land is situated, or any person with a property interest in the land sought to be reclassified may petition the appropriate county land use decision-making authority of the county in which the land is situated for a change in the boundary of a district involving lands less than fifteen acres presently in the rural and urban districts and lands less than fifteen acres in the agricultural district that are not designated as important agricultural lands.

(c) District boundary amendments involving land areas of fifteen acres or less, except as provided in subsection (b), shall be determined by the appropriate county land use decision-making authority for the district and shall not require consideration by the land use commission pursuant to section 205-4; provided that [such] the boundary amendments and approved uses are consistent with this chapter. The appropriate county land use decision-making authority may consolidate proceedings to amend state land use district boundaries pursuant to this subsection, with county proceedings to amend the general plan, development plan, zoning of the affected land, or [such] other proceedings. Appropriate ordinances and rules to allow consolidation of [such] proceedings may be developed by the county land use decision-making authority.

(d) An application for a district boundary amendment involving a land area greater than fifteen acres but not greater than one hundred acres, except for lands that are designated as important agricultural lands or lands where the soil is classified by the land study bureau's detailed land classification as overall (master) productivity class A or B, shall be determined by the appropriate county land use decision-making authority for the district and shall not require consideration by the land use commission if, by the date of the application, the county has adopted an ordinance that:

- (1) Establishes a procedure for determining the district boundary amendments;
- (2) Requires the county to own and retain ownership of the land area for at least ninety-nine years;
- (3) <u>Requires that one hundred per cent of the land area be</u> <u>used for affordable housing as defined by county</u> <u>ordinance;</u>
- (4) Requires that at least seventy-five per cent of the housing units on the land be set aside for persons and families with incomes at or below one hundred per cent of the area median income;
- (5) Requires the district boundary amendment and approved uses to be consistent with the applicable county general plan or community development plan;
- (6) Requires the county to complete and incorporate mitigation of the impact on county and state resources, including schools and highways; provided that mitigation efforts under this paragraph shall be approved by the appropriate state department;
- (7) Incorporates due process into the procedure for determining district boundary amendments pursuant to paragraph (1) in accordance with all state laws and the public trust doctrine; and
- (8) Requires the appropriate county land use decisionmaking authority to issue a finding that it has considered all impacts of the proposed amendment that the land use commission would have considered under a petition submitted to the land use commission pursuant to this chapter for a district boundary amendment involving the same or similar land use classifications and land area.

[(d)] (e) The county land use decision-making authority shall serve a copy of the application for a district boundary amendment to the land use commission and the department of business, economic development, and tourism and shall notify the commission and the department of the time and place of the hearing and the proposed amendments scheduled to be heard at the hearing. A change in the state land use district boundaries pursuant to this subsection shall become effective on the day designated by the county land use decision-making authority in its decision. Within sixty days of the effective date of any decision to amend state land use district boundaries by the county land use decision-making authority, the decision and the description and map of the affected property shall be transmitted to the land use commission and the department of business, economic development, and tourism by the county planning director."

SECTION 3. House Bill No. 676, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1, is amended by adding a new Section 3 to read as follows:

"SECTION 3. Section 205-4, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by amending its title and subsection (a) to read as follows:

"§205-4 Amendments to district boundaries [involving land areas greater than fifteen aeres.]: proceedings before the land use commission. (a) Any department or agency of the State, any department or agency of the county in which the land is situated, or any person with a property interest in the land sought to be reclassified, may petition the land use commission for a change in the boundary of a district. This section applies to all petitions for changes in district boundaries of lands within conservation districts, lands designated or sought to be designated as important agricultural lands, and lands greater than fifteen acres in the agricultural, rural, and urban districts, except as provided in [section] sections 201H-38[-] and 205-3.1(d). The land use commission shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter 91 to implement section 201H-38."

Senator Inouye moved that Floor Amendment No. 10 be adopted, seconded by Senator Elefante.

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

"H.B. 676 was introduced to incentivize each county to entitle and to invest infrastructure on county-owned lands for the purpose of creating affordable housing.

"During the drafting of the latest conference draft, a provision was added to ensure counties addressed state impacts if they were given the power to bypass the Land Use Commission, in addition to all the other requirements that were already included in the bill, which is for affordable housing. This was added as an additional section and not a subsection. This request to amend the conference draft came from the Land Use Commission. While there might be confusion now with the current language, I believe this amendment makes clear the legislative intent of the conference committee to have the counties take on more accountability, not less. It was never the intent to make the process less transparent, and I believe this amendment makes this clear. This amendment will now ensure that the counties issue a finding that it considered all impacts that the Land Use Commission would have considered under a petition to the Land Use Commission for a district boundary amendment, in addition to the seven other requirements as included in the bill.

"Mr. President, I humbly ask for the support of my colleagues."

Senator McKelvey rose to speak in opposition to the amendment as follows:

"While I appreciate the work that's being done on the measure, I have not read the floor amendment yet, so I don't feel comfortable in supporting it at this time. I think, however, that the Senate Draft 1 of this measure is something that everybody seemed to agree upon, and I think it's something that should be, perhaps, looked at again. I also think that there's a lot of things that have been put into this measure now, both in conference and in the floor amendment, that the public hasn't had a chance to weigh in on, so at this time, I'm just going to have to regretfully not be able to support it. Thank you."

Senator Kidani rose to speak in opposition to the amendment as follows:

"May I have the remarks of the previous speaker entered into the Journal as my own?" (The Chair so ordered, by reference only.)

Senator DeCoite rose to speak in opposition to the amendment as follows:

"Likewise, can I have the remarks of the senator from the West side be inserted into the Journal as if it was my own, and I'd like to also add that, you know, we're talking about 100 acres, and while I am in full support of housing and affordable housing, we've had many challenges, as you know, within the past years of encroaching on those ag lands. There's farms that exist, we have housing that come up, and we have tenants or people that continue to make those complaints in a time when we are trying to grow food for food sustainability and to do what we have to do to feed the people of Hawai'i. I think, at this time, there are several challenges here that, not just myself, but many of my constituents have been faced with. For those reasons, I am in opposition."

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

"We're so fast to criticize on our moving and having affordable homes, and we just want to just go into stuff, to the hundred acres and then going that way. In my community, I wasn't the leader at the time, but if I was the leader, we would have been a little bit more overlook on how we're just destroying and taking away a lot of our ag land, and it's also for affordable housing when there's a lot of opportunities in a lot of places on Barbers Point and other places in the community that is empty. It stays there stagnant, but then we're going to go and try to get a hundred acres or so of ag land because we need affordable homes. We should do a little bit more homework in the places that are abandoned, places that don't even have people living in the homes, and apartment buildings that are abandoned, and let's go for that first before we start going to our precious ag land.

"Every year that I've been here, been saying from the WAM chair, 'How much ag land do we need to develop so that we can be sustainable?' In this building, we talk about being sustainable with agriculture and trying to compete with not having overseas products. But where do we put our mouth there? Zero. We talk about it in this building, but every single year, I listen to the WAM chair ask the agriculture people how much land we need to sustain our islands, sustain our community, sustain Hawai'i for ag, and nothing has ever been really going forward. By doing this and not relying on the community and other people to weigh in on this, I think it's going to be a travesty to our community and to our ag lands. Thank you, Senate President."

The motion to adopt Floor Amendment No. 10 was put by the Chair and carried, with Senator Dela Cruz voting "Aye with Reservations" and Senators Awa, DeCoite, Fevella, Kidani, Kim, McKelvey, and Shimabukuro voting "No."

Senator Inouye then moved that Conf. Com. Rep. No. 143 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Elefante and carried.

By unanimous consent, H.B. No. 676, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DISTRICT BOUNDARY AMENDMENTS," was placed on the calendar for Final Reading on Thursday, May 4, 2023.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 145 (H.B. No. 600, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1):

Senator Lee moved that Conf. Com. Rep. No. 145 be adopted and H.B. No. 600, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1, having been read throughout, pass Final Reading, seconded by Senator Keith-Agaran.

Senator Lee then offered the following amendment (Floor Amendment No. 11) to H.B. No. 600, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1:

SECTION 1. House Bill No. 600, H.D.1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1, section 2, is amended by amending page 6, line 14 to page 7, line 2, to read as follows:

- "(2) Beginning July 1, 2024, ensure distribution of moneys accrued in the safe routes to school special fund, prioritizing continuity of existing programming;
- (3) Beginning July 1, 2024, review project proposals and select priority projects within one mile of any school or place of learning pursuant to sections 286-7.5, 264-142, and 291C-3 to be funded through the safe routes to school program or otherwise be prioritized and implemented by the department;"

SECTION 2. House Bill No. 600, H.D.1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1, section 3, is amended as follows:

1. By amending page 10, lines 6 to 17, to read:

""\$291C-3 State and county safe routes to school programs; coordinators; grants; reports. (a) There is established, within the department of transportation, a safe routes to school program that shall, among other things, enhance traffic safety around Hawaii's schools, enable and encourage children to walk and bicycle to school, and make bicycling and walking to school a safer and more appealing transportation alternative. Beginning July 1, 2024, the program shall be responsible for developing and publishing goals and performance measures in coordination with the safe routes to school advisory committee and providing technical assistance to counties and community organizations in support of projects and programs that advance state and county goals."

2. By amending page 11, lines 12 to 20, to read:

"(d) The [legislature shall appropriate] department of transportation shall expend funds from the safe routes to school program special fund [to the counties] in coordination with the safe routes to school advisory committee to be used for the implementation of [county] the safe routes to school program plan and projects[-] pursuant to section 291C- (b)(2) and (3). No later than twenty days prior to the convening of each regular session, each county shall submit to the legislature an annual report on the status and progress of its county safe routes to school program, including an accounting of all grants provided through the program and a timeline for future grant awards."

Senator Lee moved that Floor Amendment No. 11 be adopted, seconded by Senator Inouye.

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

"This floor amendment will make clarifying technical amendments to the measure as well. Department of Transportation did ask for a little bit of flexibility in the transition, so the floor amendment would also provide a delayed effective date for one portion of the measure."

The motion to adopt Floor Amendment No. 11 was then put by the Chair and carried.

Senator Lee then moved that Conf. Com. Rep. No. 145 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Inouye and carried.

By unanimous consent, H.B. No. 600, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOL," was placed on the calendar for Final Reading on Thursday, May 4, 2023.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 148 (H.B. No. 554, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, C.D. 1):

Senator Kim moved that Conf. Com. Rep. No. 148 be adopted and H.B. No. 554, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, C.D. 1, having been read throughout, pass Final Reading, seconded by Senator Keith-Agaran.

Senator Kim then offered the following amendment (Floor Amendment No. 12) to H.B. No. 554, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, C.D. 1:

SECTION 1. House Bill No. 554, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, C.D. 1, is amended by amending section 3 to read as follows:

"SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the University of Hawaii tuition and fees special fund the sum of \$1,000,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2023-2024 and the same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2024-2025 for the establishment of four full-time equivalent (4.0 FTE) administrative, professional, and technical positions to enable the University of Hawaii to fulfill the requirements of this Act.

The sums appropriated shall be expended by the University of Hawaii for the purposes of this Act."

SECTION 2. House Bill No. 554, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, C.D. 1, is amended by deleting section 4 and renumbering sections 5 and 6 as sections 4 and 5, respectively.

Senator Kim moved that Floor Amendment No. 12 be adopted, seconded by Senator Kidani.

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

"Mr. President, this floor amendment is to ensure the proper MOF, or mode of funding, is reflected in the final version of the measure respective to the WAM/FIN release memo. The financial release memo stated B funds to be used, but the use of general funds was what was being reflected."

The motion to adopt Floor Amendment No. 12 was then put by the Chair and carried.

Senator Kim then moved that Conf. Com. Rep. No. 148 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Kidani and carried.

By unanimous consent, H.B. No. 554, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, C.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CAMPUS SAFETY," was placed on the calendar for Final Reading on Thursday, May 4, 2023.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 168 (S.B. No. 945, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 1):

Senator Keohokalole moved that Conf. Com. Rep. No. 168 be adopted and S.B. No. 945, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 1, having been read throughout, pass Final Reading, seconded by Senator Wakai.

Senator Keohokalole then offered the following amendment (Floor Amendment No. 13) to S.B. No. 945, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 1:

SECTION 1. Senate Bill No. 945, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 1, is amended by deleting section 6.

SECTION 2. Senate Bill No. 945, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 1, section 7, is amended by amending page 82, lines 10-21 to read as follows:

"SECTION 6. There is appropriated out of the compliance resolution fund established pursuant to section 26-9(o), Hawaii Revised Statutes, the sum of \$500,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2023-2024 and the same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2024-2025 to carry out the special purpose digital currency licensing program established by section 2 of this Act."

SECTION 3. Senate Bill No. 945, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 1, is amended by renumbering sections 8 and 9 as sections 7 and 8, respectively.

Senator Keohokalole moved that Floor Amendment No. 13 be adopted, seconded by Senator Kanuha.

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

"The floor amendment is being submitted in order to clarify the appropriation language in the measure to comport with the WAM/FIN conference memo. Thank you."

The motion to adopt Floor Amendment No. 13 was then put by the Chair and carried.

Senator Keohokalole then moved that Conf. Com. Rep. No. 168 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Kanuha and carried.

By unanimous consent, S.B. No. 945, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SPECIAL PURPOSE DIGITAL CURRENCY LICENSURE," was placed on the calendar for Final Reading on Thursday, May 4, 2023.

At 10:43 a.m., the Senate stood in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

The Senate reconvened at 11:00 a.m.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 2 (S.B. No. 1381, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Keohokalole, seconded by Senator San Buenaventura and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 2 was adopted and S.B. No. 1381, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE REPEAL OF SECTION 328-106, HAWAII REVISED STATUTES," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 7 (S.B. No. 1086, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Lee, seconded by Senator Elefante and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 7 was adopted and S.B. No. 1086, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 8 (H.B. No. 986, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Rhoads, seconded by Senator Elefante and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 8 was adopted and H.B. No. 986, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO OFFICIAL MISCONDUCT," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 9 (H.B. No. 494, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Rhoads, seconded by Senator Gabbard and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 9 was adopted and H.B. No. 494, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 10 (H.B. No. 710, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator McKelvey, seconded by Senator Rhoads and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 10 was adopted and H.B. No. 710, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO GOVERNMENT," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 11 (H.B. No. 884, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Keohokalole, seconded by Senator Elefante and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 11 was adopted and H.B. No. 884, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TRAVELING TEAM PHYSICIANS," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 12 (H.B. No. 192, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator DeCoite, seconded by Senator Keohokalole and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 12 was adopted and H.B. No. 192, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ENERGY EFFICIENCY," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 13 (H.B. No. 777, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Aquino, seconded by Senator Moriwaki and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 13 was adopted and H.B. No. 777, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO BACKGROUND CHECKS," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 14 (H.B. No. 541, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Lee, seconded by Senator Keohokalole and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 14 was adopted and H.B. No. 541, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO VEHICLE SAFETY," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 15 (H.B. No. 704, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Lee, seconded by Senator Keohokalole and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 15 was adopted and H.B. No. 704, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 16 (H.B. No. 973, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Gabbard, seconded by Senator Keohokalole and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 16 was adopted and H.B. No. 973, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEMP," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 17 (H.B. No. 692, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Gabbard, seconded by Senator Rhoads and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 17 was adopted and H.B. No. 692, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PESTICIDES," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 18 (H.B. No. 695, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Gabbard, seconded by Senator Wakai and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 18 was adopted and H.B. No. 695, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FENCES," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 20 (S.B. No. 214, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Lee, seconded by Senator Rhoads and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 20 was adopted and S.B. No. 214, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC TRANSIT," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 21 (S.B. No. 746, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Gabbard, seconded by Senator Keohokalole and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 21 was adopted and S.B. No. 746, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COFFEE LABELING," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 22 (S.B. No. 516, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Gabbard, seconded by Senator Keohokalole and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 22 was adopted and S.B. No. 516, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEMP," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 23 (S.B. No. 1378, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Aquino, seconded by Senator Keohokalole and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 23 was adopted and S.B. No. 1378, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO UNLICENSED CARE HOMES," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 24 (S.B. No. 798, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Inouye, seconded by Senator Keohokalole and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 24 was adopted and S.B. No. 798, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TIME SHARING," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 26 (S.B. No. 162, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator San Buenaventura, seconded by Senator Keohokalole and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 26 was adopted and S.B. No. 162, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DENTISTRY LICENSES," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 27 (S.B. No. 602, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator San Buenaventura, seconded by Senator Keohokalole and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 27 was adopted and S.B. No. 602, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 31 (S.B. No. 478, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Moriwaki, seconded by Senator Keohokalole and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 31 was adopted and S.B. No. 478, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND CABLE INDUSTRY INFORMATION REPORTING," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 33 (S.B. No. 51, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Rhoads, seconded by Senator Elefante and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 33 was adopted and S.B. No. 51, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CAMPAIGN FINANCE," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 34 (S.B. No. 1493, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Rhoads, seconded by Senator Elefante and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 34 was adopted and S.B. No. 1493, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LOBBYISTS," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 37 (S.B. No. 390, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Aquino, seconded by Senator Keohokalole and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 37 was adopted and S.B. No. 390, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 38 (S.B. No. 799, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Keohokalole, seconded by Senator McKelvey and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 38 was adopted and S.B. No. 799, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TIME SHARING PLANS," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 39 (S.B. No. 930, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Keohokalole, seconded by Senator Richards and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 39 was adopted and S.B. No. 930, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE RESIDENTIAL LANDLORD-TENANT CODE," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 40 (H.B. No. 11, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Keohokalole, seconded by Senator McKelvey and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 40 was adopted and H.B. No. 11, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TIME SHARING PLANS," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 41 (H.B. No. 1091, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Inouye, seconded by Senator Keohokalole and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 41 was adopted and H.B. No. 1091, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO REAL PROPERTY DISCLOSURES WITHIN SHORELINE AREAS," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 44 (H.B. No. 463, S.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Rhoads, seconded by Senator Elefante and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 44 was adopted and H.B. No. 463, S.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 48 (H.B. No. 1509, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Keohokalole, seconded by Senator McKelvey and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 48 was adopted and H.B. No. 1509, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COMMON-INTEREST DEVELOPMENTS," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 49 (H.B. No. 217, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Chang, seconded by Senator Keohokalole and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 49 was adopted and H.B. No. 217, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HOME RENOVATIONS," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 50 (H.B. No. 781, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Aquino, seconded by Senator Rhoads and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 50 was adopted and H.B. No. 781, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CHILDREN," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 51 (H.B. No. 1045, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Kidani, seconded by Senator Elefante and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 51 was adopted and H.B. No. 1045, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 52 (H.B. No. 218, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Shimabukuro, seconded by Senator Keohokalole and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 52 was adopted and H.B. No. 218, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PRESCRIPTION DRUGS," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 53 (H.B. No. 950, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator San Buenaventura, seconded by Senator Rhoads and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 53 was adopted and H.B. No. 950, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ASSISTED COMMUNITY TREATMENT ORDERS," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 55 (S.B. No. 410, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Rhoads, seconded by Senator San Buenaventura and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 55 was adopted and S.B. No. 410, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EXPUNGEMENT," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes: Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 56 (S.B. No. 933, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Rhoads, seconded by Senator Gabbard and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 56 was adopted and S.B. No. 933, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TEMPORARY RESTRAINING ORDERS," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 58 (S.B. No. 1340, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator San Buenaventura, seconded by Senator Keohokalole and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 58 was adopted and S.B. No. 1340, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE PRACTICE OF BEHAVIOR ANALYSIS," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 59 (S.B. No. 1057, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Moriwaki, seconded by Senator Keohokalole and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 59 was adopted and S.B. No. 1057, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EMPLOYMENT EARNINGS," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 60 (S.B. No. 966, H.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Gabbard, seconded by Senator Rhoads and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 60 was adopted and S.B. No. 966, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DISPOSAL OF SOLID WASTE," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 62 (S.B. No. 637, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Gabbard, seconded by Senator Rhoads and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 62 was adopted and S.B. No. 637, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEMP," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 64 (H.B. No. 978, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator McKelvey, seconded by Senator San Buenaventura and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 64 was adopted and H.B. No. 978, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PURCHASES OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 66 (S.B. No. 193, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Wakai, seconded by Senator Inouye and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 66 was adopted and S.B. No. 193, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE STATE FIRE COUNCIL," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 67 (S.B. No. 732, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Shimabukuro, seconded by Senator Kanuha and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 67 was adopted and S.B. No. 732, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO STATE HOLIDAYS," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 68 (S.B. No. 182, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Rhoads, seconded by Senator Elefante and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 68 was adopted and S.B. No. 182, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DISCLOSURES OF FINANCIAL INTERESTS," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 24. Noes, 1 (Fevella).

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 71 (S.B. No. 1151, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Kim, seconded by Senator Kanuha and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 71 was adopted and S.B. No. 1151, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII COMMUNITY COLLEGE PROMISE PROGRAM," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 72 (S.B. No. 151, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Wakai, seconded by Senator Rhoads and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 72 was adopted and S.B. No. 151, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LAW ENFORCEMENT REFORM," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 73 (H.B. No. 1033, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Wakai, seconded by Senator Inouye and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 73 was adopted and H.B. No. 1033, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE STATE BUILDING CODE COUNCIL," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 75 (H.B. No. 339, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Moriwaki, seconded by Senator Aquino and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 75 was adopted and H.B. No. 339, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EXEMPTIONS FROM CIVIL SERVICE FOR POSITIONS IN THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 76 (H.B. No. 961, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Kidani, seconded by Senator Wakai and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 76 was adopted and H.B. No. 961, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EARLY LEARNING," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 78 (H.B. No. 674, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Chang, seconded by Senator Wakai and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 78 was adopted and H.B. No. 674, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 79 (H.B. No. 675, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Chang, seconded by Senator Moriwaki and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 79 was adopted and H.B. No. 675, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII HOUSING FINANCE AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 85 (H.B. No. 1329, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Kidani, seconded by Senator DeCoite and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 85 was adopted and H.B. No. 1329, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 87 (S.B. No. 1166, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Lee, seconded by Senator Kim and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 87 was adopted and S.B. No. 1166, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE RENEWAL OF DRIVER'S LICENSES," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 88 (S.B. No. 1437, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, C.D. 1):

Senator Keith-Agaran moved that Conf. Com. Rep. No. 88 be adopted and S.B. No. 1437, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, C.D. 1 pass Final Reading, seconded by Senator Kanuha.

Senator Keith-Agaran requested that remarks regarding the measure be entered into the Journal, and the Chair so ordered.

The Chair having so ordered, Senator Keith-Agaran's remarks read as follows:

"Mr. President, I rise in support of this measure.

"S.B. No. 1437, S.D.1, H.D. 2, C.D. 1 revises the state tax code to allow local so-called 'pass-through entities' such as partnerships, S corporations and limited liability companies (LLCs), which in many instances are not taxed at the entity level, to instead elect to pay state income taxes at the entity and thereby possibly avail themselves and their members of a deduction for state and local taxes (SALT) from taxable federal income.

"The federal Tax Cuts and Jobs Act of 2017 limited the SALT deduction by individuals to \$10,000 per year. Before 2018, the SALT deduction was unlimited. Since then, approximately 30 other states have enacted legislation such as that proposed by this measure to allow pass-through entities to elect to be taxed at the entity level.

"This measure requires eligible entities to make an annual election to file for state-level taxation for each taxable year. The

measure allows for individuals who are members of eligible entities to take a pro-rata non-refundable tax credit for state taxes paid. Although the effective date of the measure is January 1, 2024, the first taxable year for which a pass-through entity may choose to be taxed at the entity level will be 2023.

"This bill will provide a new option and potential federal tax relief to many local businesses, and for that reason I urge my colleagues to extend their support."

The motion was put by the Chair and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 88 was adopted and S.B. No. 1437, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PASS-THROUGH ENTITY TAXATION," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 89 (S.B. No. 712, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Wakai, seconded by Senator Kim and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 89 was adopted and S.B. No. 712, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CORRECTIONS," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 90 (S.B. No. 210, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Wakai, seconded by Senator Rhoads and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 90 was adopted and S.B. No. 210, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL JUSTICE DATA SHARING," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 91 (S.B. No. 759, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Shimabukuro, seconded by Senator Inouye and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 91 was adopted and S.B. No. 759, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 92 (S.B. No. 1357, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Shimabukuro, seconded by Senator Rhoads and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 92 was adopted and S.B. No. 1357, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING ON HAWAIIAN HOME LANDS," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 96 (H.B. No. 1037, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Wakai, seconded by Senator McKelvey and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 96 was adopted and H.B. No. 1037, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO STATEWIDE INTEROPERABLE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMUNICATIONS," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 97 (H.B. No. 153, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Inouye, seconded by Senator Rhoads and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 97 was adopted and H.B. No. 153, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO STATE WATER CODE PENALTIES," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 99 (S.B. No. 1391, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Inouye, seconded by Senator Gabbard and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 99 was adopted and S.B. No. 1391, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ADMINISTRATIVE PENALTIES ON PUBLIC LANDS," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 102 (S.B. No. 1373, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Moriwaki, seconded by Senator Inouye and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 102 was adopted and S.B. No. 1373, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE ON AGING ADMINISTRATIVE CLAIMING SPECIAL FUND," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 105 (H.B. No. 478, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Lee, seconded by Senator Kim and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 105 was adopted and H.B. No. 478, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE STATE FOUNDATION ON CULTURE AND THE ARTS," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 106 (H.B. No. 475, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Lee, seconded by Senator Wakai and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 106 was adopted and H.B. No. 475, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE STATE FOUNDATION ON CULTURE AND THE ARTS," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 111 (S.B. No. 1232, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Kidani, seconded by Senator Shimabukuro and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 111 was adopted and S.B. No. 1232, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE STATE LIBRARY SYSTEM," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 115 (H.B. No. 972, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Gabbard, seconded by Senator Aquino and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 115 was adopted and H.B. No. 972, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE ANIMAL INDUSTRY SPECIAL FUND," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes: Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 122 (H.B. No. 1090, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Inouye, seconded by Senator Gabbard and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 122 was adopted and H.B. No. 1090, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO OCEAN RECREATION COMMERCIAL PERMITS," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 123 (H.B. No. 1134, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Inouye, seconded by Senator Keohokalole and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 123 was adopted and H.B. No. 1134, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO KANEOHE BAY," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 124 (H.B. No. 1079, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Inouye, seconded by Senator Gabbard and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 124 was adopted and H.B. No. 1079, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO WATER POLLUTION CONTROL," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 127 (S.B. No. 811, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator McKelvey, seconded by Senator Inouye and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 127 was adopted and S.B. No. 811, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DEMOGRAPHIC DATA," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 129 (S.B. No. 7, H.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Kidani, seconded by Senator Rhoads and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 129 was adopted and S.B. No. 7, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE SCHOOL FACILITIES AUTHORITY," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 130 (H.B. No. 24, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Lee, seconded by Senator Keohokalole and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 130 was adopted and H.B. No. 24, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO WATER COMMON CARRIERS," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 135 (H.B. No. 954, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, C.D. 1):

Senator Dela Cruz moved that Conf. Com. Rep. No. 135 be adopted and H.B. No. 954, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, C.D. 1 pass Final Reading, seconded by Senator Keith-Agaran.

Senator Keith-Agaran requested that remarks regarding the measure be entered into the Journal, and the Chair so ordered.

The Chair having so ordered, Senator Keith-Agaran's remarks read as follows:

"Thank you, Mr. President. I rise in support of H.B. No. 954, H.D.2, S.D.2, C.D.1, which will provide some sweeping tax relief for much of Hawaii's working families. The measure more than doubles the household and dependent care services tax credit. It also doubles Hawaii's refundable earned income tax credit from 20% to 40% of the federal amount. Finally, the bill increases the income thresholds and credit amounts of the refundable food/excise tax credit. This is a big first step in providing much needed tax relief for Hawaii residents. I urge my colleagues to vote in favor of this bill."

The motion was put by the Chair and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 135 was adopted and H.B. No. 954, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 141 (H.B. No. 923, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Chang, seconded by Senator Keith-Agaran and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 141 was adopted and H.B. No. 923, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO BONDS," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 147 (H.B. No. 579, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator San Buenaventura, seconded by Senator Rhoads and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 147 was adopted and H.B. No. 579, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN TRAFFICKING," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 150 (S.B. No. 1022, H.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Kidani, seconded by Senator Kanuha and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 150 was adopted and S.B. No. 1022, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE EARLY LEARNING BOARD," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 153 (S.B. No. 855, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Keohokalole, seconded by Senator Fukunaga and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 153 was adopted and S.B. No. 855, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CONDOMINIUM RESERVE REQUIREMENTS," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 154 (S.B. No. 1518, S.D. 2, H.D. 3, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Kidani, seconded by Senator Keith-Agaran and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 154 was adopted and S.B. No. 1518, S.D. 2, H.D. 3, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes: Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 157 (H.B. No. 1082, H.D. 3, S.D. 2, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator San Buenaventura, seconded by Senator Keohokalole and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 157 was adopted and H.B. No. 1082, H.D. 3, S.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MEDICAL CANNABIS," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 160 (S.B. No. 726, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Moriwaki, seconded by Senator Kidani and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 160 was adopted and S.B. No. 726, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 165 (S.B. No. 1327, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Keohokalole, seconded by Senator Richards and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 165 was adopted and S.B. No. 1327, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE USE OF ELECTRONIC FILING BY THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 169 (S.B. No. 531, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Kidani, seconded by Senator Kanuha and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 169 was adopted and S.B. No. 531, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 170 (S.B. No. 599, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator San Buenaventura, seconded by Senator Keohokalole and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 170 was adopted and S.B. No. 599, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

At 11:02 a.m., the Senate stood in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

The Senate reconvened at 11:03 a.m.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 3 (S.B. No. 109, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Rhoads, seconded by Senator Elefante and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 3 was adopted and S.B. No. 109, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO GENDER-NEUTRAL TERMINOLOGY," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 22. Noes, 3 (Awa, Fevella, Gabbard).

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 4 (S.B. No. 110, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Rhoads, seconded by Senator Elefante and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 4 was adopted and S.B. No. 110, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO GENDER-NEUTRAL TERMINOLOGY," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 22. Noes, 3 (Awa, Fevella, Gabbard).

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 5 (S.B. No. 203, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Rhoads, seconded by Senator Elefante and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 5 was adopted and S.B. No. 203, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COMPLAINTS ALLEGING VIOLATIONS OF CAMPAIGN SPENDING LAWS," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 24. Noes, 1 (Awa).

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 6 (S.B. No. 1189, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Rhoads, seconded by Senator Gabbard and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 6 was adopted and S.B. No. 1189, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CAMPAIGN FINANCE," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 24. Noes, 1 (Fevella).

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 19 (S.B. No. 497, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Lee, seconded by Senator Rhoads and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 19 was adopted and S.B. No. 497, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COMMERCIAL VEHICLES," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 23. Noes, 2 (Awa, Fevella).

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 25 (S.B. No. 691, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator DeCoite, seconded by Senator Keohokalole and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 25 was adopted and S.B. No. 691, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EFFICIENCY STANDARDS," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 24. Noes, 1 (Awa).

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 28 (S.B. No. 473, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Shimabukuro, seconded by Senator Keohokalole and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 28 was adopted and S.B. No. 473, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE PRACTICE OF PHARMACY," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

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

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 29 (S.B. No. 1344, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Kidani, seconded by Senator Keohokalole and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 29 was adopted and S.B. No. 1344, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATIONAL HEALTH SERVICES," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 24. Noes, 1 (Awa).

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 30 (S.B. No. 1468, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Keohokalole, seconded by Senator Rhoads and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 30 was adopted and S.B. No. 1468, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO RIGHT OF ENTRY FOR PROFESSIONAL SURVEYORS," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 24. Noes, 1 (Awa).

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 32 (S.B. No. 1079, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Rhoads, seconded by Senator Gabbard and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 32 was adopted and S.B. No. 1079, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EXPUNGEMENT," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 24. Noes, 1 (Awa).

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 35 (S.B. No. 19, H.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Rhoads, seconded by Senator Elefante and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 35 was adopted and S.B. No. 19, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CAST BALLOTS," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 24. Noes, 1 (Awa).

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 36 (S.B. No. 141, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Rhoads, seconded by Senator Elefante and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 36 was adopted and S.B. No. 141, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 24. Noes, 1 (Awa).

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 42 (H.B. No. 1088, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1):

Senator Inouye moved that Conf. Com. Rep. No. 42 be adopted and H.B. No. 1088, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1 pass Final Reading, seconded by Senator Rhoads.

Senator Elefante rose to request that remarks in opposition to the measure be entered into the Journal, and the Chair so ordered.

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

"Mr. President, I rise in opposition to HB1088, HD1, SD1, CD1.

"Mr. President, throughout the legislative session, I always had serious concerns for these specific reasons:

- Allows the Commission on Water Resource Management ('CWRM') to be given more broader authority without collaboration from respective counties, other stakeholders, and going through the normal process;
- There is a lack of initiative and funding to update and develop a Water Shortage Plan as indicated from the 1987 State Water Code; and
- Four counties have submitted testimony either in opposition or significant concerns to this Bill.

"For these reasons, I am not able to support HB 1088, HD1, SD, CD1 and I am voting no. Thank you."

The motion was put by the Chair and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 42 was adopted and H.B. No. 1088, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DECLARATION OF WATER SHORTAGE AND EMERGENCY," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 21; Ayes with Reservations (DeCoite). Noes, 4 (Awa, Elefante, Gabbard, McKelvey).

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 43 (H.B. No. 717, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1):

Senator Moriwaki moved that Conf. Com. Rep. No. 43 be adopted and H.B. No. 717, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1 pass Final Reading, seconded by Senator Rhoads.

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

"Quick note: This is a Commission to Improve Standards of Conduct bill. I support the measure except that I think exempting the Legislature from this measure is the wrong move. Thank you."

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

"I ask that the words of the previous speaker be entered into the Journal as my own. Thank you." (The Chair so ordered, by reference only.)

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

"I also rise with reservations and would like the previous request as well to enter the words of the CPN chair in the Journal as if they were my own." (The Chair so ordered, by reference only.)

The motion was put by the Chair and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 43 was adopted and H.B. No. 717, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO NEPOTISM," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25; Ayes with Reservations (Aquino, Chang, DeCoite, Dela Cruz, Elefante, Fevella, Fukunaga, Gabbard, Inouye, Kanuha, Keith-Agaran, Keohokalole, Kidani, Kim, Lee, McKelvey, San Buenaventura, Shimabukuro, Wakai). Noes, none.

The Chair stated:

"In trying not to influence the vote, I would again say, in the operation manual of the Senate, we do not permit nepotism in our operation, and so I understand the reservations that were expressed by the members of the Senate, since this would not affect us—exempting us in any way—because we already do that as a function of how we run our operation."

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 45 (H.B. No. 1294, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Rhoads, seconded by Senator Gabbard and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 45 was adopted and H.B. No. 1294, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 24. Noes, 1 (Awa).

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 46 (H.B. No. 1502, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1):

Senator Rhoads moved that Conf. Com. Rep. No. 46 be adopted and H.B. No. 1502, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1 pass Final Reading, seconded by Senator San Buenaventura.

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

"With the rise of fake news and what has happened with Alex Jones's trial and what has happened in Tucker Carlson's, I do not want the newscasters or journalists to think of this bill as a license to purvey fake news, and I'm hoping that we protect the good journalists and not the purveyors of fake news to see this as a shield for them preventing disclosure of fake sources."

The motion was put by the Chair and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 46 was adopted and H.B. No. 1502, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EVIDENCE," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25; Ayes with Reservations (DeCoite, Dela Cruz, Fevella, Inouye, Kim, McKelvey, San Buenaventura). Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 47 (H.B. No. 1027, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Keohokalole, seconded by Senator Fukunaga and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 47 was adopted and H.B. No. 1027, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MONEY TRANSMITTERS MODERNIZATION ACT," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 24. Noes, 1 (Awa).

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 54 (S.B. No. 105, H.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Kidani, seconded by Senator Elefante and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 54 was adopted and S.B. No. 105, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 24. Noes, 1 (Awa).

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 57 (S.B. No. 944, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Rhoads, seconded by Senator Elefante and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 57 was adopted and S.B. No. 944, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE UNIFORM PARENTAGE ACT," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 61 (S.B. No. 655, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Gabbard, seconded by Senator Wakai and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 61 was adopted and S.B. No. 655, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEMP," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 63 (H.B. No. 161, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Moriwaki, seconded by Senator Rhoads and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 63 was adopted and H.B. No. 161, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COLLECTIVE BARGAINING," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 24. Noes, 1 (Ihara).

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 65 (H.B. No. 369, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Keohokalole, seconded by Senator Fukunaga and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 65 was adopted and H.B. No. 369, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

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

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 69 (H.B. No. 349, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1):

Senator Rhoads moved that Conf. Com. Rep. No. 69 be adopted and H.B. No. 349, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1 pass Final Reading, seconded by Senator San Buenaventura.

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

"I request that my colleagues support this measure because, prior to this bill, the only way for minors who could be abused or who earned more than their parents or be financially abused would be to marry, so, until this bill is passed, the only way minors could protect themselves from overreaching parents is to marry out. So thank you very much—request your support."

The motion was put by the Chair and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 69 was adopted and H.B. No. 349, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CHILDREN," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Aves and Noes:

Ayes, 24. Noes, 1 (Awa).

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 70 (H.B. No. 1184, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator McKelvey, seconded by Senator Moriwaki and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 70 was adopted and H.B. No. 1184, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PROCUREMENT," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

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

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 86 (H.B. No. 503, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Kidani, seconded by Senator Wakai and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 86 was adopted and H.B. No. 503, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COMPUTER SCIENCE EDUCATION," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

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

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 98 (H.B. No. 1183, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Inouye, seconded by Senator Wakai and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 98 was adopted and H.B. No. 1183, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO STATE PARKS," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 24; Ayes with Reservations (McKelvey). Noes, 1 (Ihara).

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 100 (S.B. No. 764, S.D. 1, H.D. 3, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Chang, seconded by Senator Keohokalole and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 100 was adopted and S.B. No. 764, S.D. 1, H.D. 3, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 24; Ayes with Reservations (Fevella). Noes, 1 (Awa).

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 101 (S.B. No. 1502, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Lee, seconded by Senator Keohokalole and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 101 was adopted and S.B. No. 1502, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 24. Noes, 1 (Awa).

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 103 (S.B. No. 696, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1):

Senator Moriwaki moved that Conf. Com. Rep. No. 103 be adopted and S.B. No. 696, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1 pass Final Reading, seconded by Senator Wakai.

Senator San Buenaventura rose to seek a ruling on a potential conflict of interest as follows:

"The conflict is that my husband is a volunteer firefighter."

The Chair ruled that, as Senator San Buenaventura's husband is in a class of volunteers and not personally benefiting, there was no conflict.

The motion was put by the Chair and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 103 was adopted and S.B. No. 696, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 25. Noes, none.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 104 (S.B. No. 1383, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1):

Senator Moriwaki moved that Conf. Com. Rep. No. 104 be adopted and S.B. No. 1383, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1 pass Final Reading, seconded by Senator Shimabukuro.

Senator San Buenaventura rose to speak in opposition to the measure as follows:

"At a time when employers are reeling because of the pandemic, this is a slippery slope, requiring 0.01 percent in additional tax on gross wages that they're already having difficulty filling, and, as such, I see this as a slippery slope to tax them on something that they have no ability to prevent. The Employment Security Law was meant to protect those who were laid off or fired unjustly. A 0.01 percent tax on technology that they have no ability to control, I don't think rises to the purpose of the Employment Security Law, and, as such, I'm in opposition."

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

"I would like the comments of the previous speaker entered into the Journal as if they were my own. (The Chair so ordered, by reference only.) And I think if we're going to modernize IT in different departments, we should be doing it through general appropriations and other ways that will give us the legislative oversight necessary to ensure it's being done properly. Thank you."

Senator DeCoite rose to request that remarks in opposition to the measure be entered into the Journal, and the Chair so ordered.

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

"I am in opposition to this bill because I do not believe employers should be assessed an additional .01 per cent of their taxable wages to be paid into a new Unemployment Insurance Technology Special Fund. Moneys in the Fund shall be used by the department to pay for the operating and maintenance expenses of the department's information technology infrastructure. As we saw during the pandemic, the Department could not handle the extraordinary increase in Unemployment claims due to their antiquated computerized systems used to process Unemployment claims.

"Instead of creating this new Fund to be paid for by employers, I believe that the Legislature needs to be able to scrutinize such expenditures with legislative requests for funding from the Department. We should continue to have oversight for such an important function that the Department failed to meet when it was challenged by the pandemic and could not pay the claims to our constituents when their livelihoods depended on the Department. If this bill passes, the Legislature will give up its oversight responsibilities.

"For these reasons I cannot support this bill."

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

"May I have the comments from the senator from Puna be introduced into the Journal as if my own? It's just not the right time as well to raise taxes. Thank you." (The Chair so ordered, by reference only.)

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

"As you know, we came through the pandemic with a very old legacy system. The federal government does provide grants to the states for technology for nonpersonal services, but that money, all of it, that we collect from employers for their employees, goes to pay for employees when they are unemployed. There is very little that is for the infrastructure that we need to stand up our technology systems so we can help claimants who came through the pandemic and could not get their claims processed because of an old system. We also helped with the technology the employers who have to quarterly report the wages and the benefits that are charged to their employees. Without the state support of this kind of program, we are going to always be behind and not serving our people, so I ask my colleagues to join me in voting for this measure. Thank you."

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

"Yeah, I think that the reasons have been echoed, and I agree with my colleague from Puna. Thank you."

The motion was put by the Chair and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 104 was adopted and S.B. No. 1383, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII EMPLOYMENT SECURITY LAW," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 16; Ayes with Reservations (Aquino, Elefante, Fukunaga, Kidani). Noes, 9 (Awa, DeCoite, Inouye, Keohokalole, Kim, McKelvey, Richards, San Buenaventura, Wakai).

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 110 (S.B. No. 1254, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Inouye, seconded by Senator Lee and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 110 was adopted and S.B. No. 1254, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE KAIWI COAST," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 24. Noes, 1 (Awa).

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 112 (S.B. No. 483, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Rhoads, seconded by Senator Elefante and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 112 was adopted and S.B. No. 483, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE UNIFORM PROBATE CODE," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 24. Noes, 1 (Awa).

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 113 (S.B. No. 211, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Moriwaki, seconded by Senator Keith-Agaran and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 113 was adopted and S.B. No. 211, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 24. Noes, 1 (Fevella).

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 114 (S.B. No. 1313, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Moriwaki, seconded by Senator Kim and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 114 was adopted and S.B. No. 1313, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII EMPLOYER-UNION HEALTH BENEFITS TRUST FUND," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 24. Noes, 1 (Awa).

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 117 (H.B. No. 307, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Gabbard, seconded by Senator Aquino and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 117 was adopted and H.B. No. 307, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL PARK LEASES," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 23. Noes, 2 (Awa, Ihara).

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 121 (H.B. No. 1101, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Inouye, seconded by Senator Gabbard and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 121 was adopted and H.B. No. 1101, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO STORMWATER FEES," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 24. Noes, 1 (Awa).

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 125 (S.B. No. 968, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator McKelvey, seconded by Senator Lee and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 125 was adopted and S.B. No. 968, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 24. Noes, 1 (Awa).

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 128 (S.B. No. 1230, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Wakai, seconded by Senator Rhoads and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 128 was adopted and S.B. No. 1230, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FIREARMS," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes: Ayes, 22; Ayes with Reservations (DeCoite). Noes, 3 (Awa, Fevella, Gabbard).

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 132 (H.B. No. 1363, H.D. 3, S.D. 2, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Chang, seconded by Senator Wakai and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 132 was adopted and H.B. No. 1363, H.D. 3, S.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

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

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 158 (H.B. No. 388, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Kidani, seconded by Senator Lee and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 158 was adopted and H.B. No. 388, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 24. Noes, 1 (Awa).

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 167 (S.B. No. 1024, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Lee, seconded by Senator Gabbard and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 167 was adopted and S.B. No. 1024, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 24. Noes, 1 (Awa).

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 171 (S.B. No. 729, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Keohokalole, seconded by Senator Fukunaga and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 171 was adopted and S.B. No. 729, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO BOARD MEMBERS," passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 23. Noes, 2 (Awa, Fevella).

The Chair stated:

"Members, Final Reading of all bills on the Fiscal Calendar is deferred to Thursday, May 4th, and will be taken up after the Executive Budget Bill is enrolled to the Governor."

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 74 (H.B. No. 660, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1):

By unanimous consent, action on Conf. Com. Rep. No. 74 and H.B. No. 660, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS FOR NOT-FOR-PROFIT CORPORATIONS THAT PROVIDE HEALTH CARE FACILITIES TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC," was deferred until Thursday, May 4, 2023.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 77 (H.B. No. 992, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1):

By unanimous consent, action on Conf. Com. Rep. No. 77 and H.B. No. 992, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE AFFORDABLE HOMEOWNERSHIP REVOLVING FUND," was deferred until Thursday, May 4, 2023.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 80 (H.B. No. 1000, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1):

By unanimous consent, action on Conf. Com. Rep. No. 80 and H.B. No. 1000, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT COST ITEMS," was deferred until Thursday, May 4, 2023. Conf. Com. Rep. No. 81 (H.B. No. 1001, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1):

By unanimous consent, action on Conf. Com. Rep. No. 81 and H.B. No. 1001, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT COST ITEMS," was deferred until Thursday, May 4, 2023.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 82 (H.B. No. 1004, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1):

By unanimous consent, action on Conf. Com. Rep. No. 82 and H.B. No. 1004, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT COST ITEMS," was deferred until Thursday, May 4, 2023.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 83 (H.B. No. 1006, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1):

By unanimous consent, action on Conf. Com. Rep. No. 83 and H.B. No. 1006, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT COST ITEMS," was deferred until Thursday, May 4, 2023.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 84 (H.B. No. 1010, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1):

By unanimous consent, action on Conf. Com. Rep. No. 84 and H.B. No. 1010, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT COST ITEMS," was deferred until Thursday, May 4, 2023.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 93 (H.B. No. 278, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1):

By unanimous consent, action on Conf. Com. Rep. No. 93 and H.B. No. 278, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH," was deferred until Thursday, May 4, 2023.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 94 (H.B. No. 1255, H.D. 1, S.D.1, C.D. 1):

By unanimous consent, action on Conf. Com. Rep. No. 94 and H.B. No. 1255, H.D. 1, S.D.1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS," was deferred until Thursday, May 4, 2023.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 95 (H.B. No. 451, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1):

By unanimous consent, action on Conf. Com. Rep. No. 95 and H.B. No. 451, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO INCARCERATED INDIVIDUALS," was deferred until Thursday, May 4, 2023.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 107 (H.B. No. 848, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1):

By unanimous consent, action on Conf. Com. Rep. No. 107 and H.B. No. 848, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII INSTITUTE FOR MARINE BIOLOGY," was deferred until Thursday, May 4, 2023.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 109 (H.B. No. 1200, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1):

By unanimous consent, action on Conf. Com. Rep. No. 109 and H.B. No. 1200, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE CONSERVATION AND RESOURCES ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM," was deferred until Thursday, May 4, 2023.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 116 (H.B. No. 306, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1):

By unanimous consent, action on Conf. Com. Rep. No. 116 and H.B. No. 306, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ORNAMENTAL GINGER," was deferred until Thursday, May 4, 2023.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 118 (H.B. No. 133, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1):

By unanimous consent, action on Conf. Com. Rep. No. 118 and H.B. No. 133, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE BUDGET OF THE OFFICE OF HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS," was deferred until Thursday, May 4, 2023.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 119 (H.B. No. 1113, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1):

By unanimous consent, action on Conf. Com. Rep. No. 119 and H.B. No. 1113, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE DRUG AND ALCOHOL TOXICOLOGY TESTING LABORATORY," was deferred until Thursday, May 4, 2023.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 120 (H.B. No. 960, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1):

By unanimous consent, action on Conf. Com. Rep. No. 120 and H.B. No. 960, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE SCHOOL FACILITIES AUTHORITY," was deferred until Thursday, May 4, 2023.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 126 (S.B. No. 894, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 1):

By unanimous consent, action on Conf. Com. Rep. No. 126 and S.B. No. 894, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE OFFICE OF WELLNESS AND RESILIENCE," was deferred until Thursday, May 4, 2023.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 131 (H.B. No. 948, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, C.D. 1):

By unanimous consent, action on Conf. Com. Rep. No. 131 and H.B. No. 948, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CHILD AND ADOLESCENT MENTAL HEALTH," was deferred until Thursday, May 4, 2023.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 133 (H.B. No. 968, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1):

By unanimous consent, action on Conf. Com. Rep. No. 133 and H.B. No. 968, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII," was deferred until Thursday, May 4, 2023.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 134 (H.B. No. 68, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1):

By unanimous consent, action on Conf. Com. Rep. No. 134 and H.B. No. 68, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL JUSTICE," was deferred until Thursday, May 4, 2023.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 136 (H.B. No. 999, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1):

By unanimous consent, action on Conf. Com. Rep. No. 136 and H.B. No. 999, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION," was deferred until Thursday, May 4, 2023.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 139 (H.B. No. 1369, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1):

By unanimous consent, action on Conf. Com. Rep. No. 139 and H.B. No. 1369, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO NURSING FACILITIES," was deferred until Thursday, May 4, 2023.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 140 (H.B. No. 953, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1):

By unanimous consent, action on Conf. Com. Rep. No. 140 and H.B. No. 953, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES," was deferred until Thursday, May 4, 2023.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 142 (H.B. No. 677, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1):

By unanimous consent, action on Conf. Com. Rep. No. 142 and H.B. No. 677, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE DWELLING UNIT REVOLVING FUND," was deferred until Thursday, May 4, 2023.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 144 (H.B. No. 1397, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1):

By unanimous consent, action on Conf. Com. Rep. No. 144 and H.B. No. 1397, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SUPPORTIVE HOUSING," was deferred until Thursday, May 4, 2023.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 146 (H.B. No. 964, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1):

By unanimous consent, action on Conf. Com. Rep. No. 146 and H.B. No. 964, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE CERTIFICATION OF DOCUMENTS," was deferred until Thursday, May 4, 2023.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 149 (H.B. No. 353, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1):

By unanimous consent, action on Conf. Com. Rep. No. 149 and H.B. No. 353, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH CARE EDUCATION," was deferred until Thursday, May 4, 2023.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 151 (S.B. No. 588, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, C.D. 1):

By unanimous consent, action on Conf. Com. Rep. No. 151 and S.B. No. 588, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EXCESSIVE NOISE," was deferred until Thursday, May 4, 2023.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 152 (S.B. No. 814, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 1):

By unanimous consent, action on Conf. Com. Rep. No. 152 and S.B. No. 814, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTRONIC INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY ACCESSIBILITY FOR PERSONS WITH LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENCY," was deferred until Thursday, May 4, 2023.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 155 (H.B. No. 1382, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1):

By unanimous consent, action on Conf. Com. Rep. No. 155 and H.B. No. 1382, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MEAT DONATION," was deferred until Thursday, May 4, 2023.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 156 (H.B. No. 1359, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, C.D. 1):

By unanimous consent, action on Conf. Com. Rep. No. 156 and H.B. No. 1359, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEMP," was deferred until Thursday, May 4, 2023.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 159 (S.B. No. 1076, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 1):

By unanimous consent, action on Conf. Com. Rep. No. 159 and S.B. No. 1076, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS," was deferred until Thursday, May 4, 2023.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 161 (S.B. No. 1163, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1):

By unanimous consent, action on Conf. Com. Rep. No. 161 and S.B. No. 1163, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CIVIL AIR PATROL," was deferred until Thursday, May 4, 2023.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 162 (S.B. No. 1527, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, C.D. 1):

By unanimous consent, action on Conf. Com. Rep. No. 162 and S.B. No. 1527, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ADDRESS CONFIDENTIALITY," was deferred until Thursday, May 4, 2023.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 163 (S.B. No. 821, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, C.D. 1):

By unanimous consent, action on Conf. Com. Rep. No. 163 and S.B. No. 821, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FIREWORKS," was deferred until Thursday, May 4, 2023.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 164 (S.B. No. 941, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, C.D. 1):

By unanimous consent, action on Conf. Com. Rep. No. 164 and S.B. No. 941, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE SCHOOL FACILITIES AUTHORITY," was deferred until Thursday, May 4, 2023.

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 166 (S.B. No. 1586, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, C.D. 1):

By unanimous consent, action on Conf. Com. Rep. No. 166 and S.B. No. 1586, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII COLLEGE OF TROPICAL AGRICULTURE AND HUMAN RESOURCES," was deferred until Thursday, May 4, 2023.

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications (Misc. Com. Nos. 1 and 2) were read by the Clerk and were placed on file:

Misc. Com. No. 1, from the Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi, President of the Senate, and the Honorable Scott K. Saiki, Speaker of the House of Representatives, dated April 28, 2023, transmitting a Legislative Communication extending the filing deadline for conference committee reports and conference drafts from 11:30 p.m. on April 28, 2023 to 12:00 p.m. noon on May 1, 2023.

Misc. Com. No. 2, from the Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi, President of the Senate, and the Honorable Scott K. Saiki, Speaker of the House of Representatives, dated May 1, 2023, transmitting a Legislative Communication extending the filing deadline for conference committee reports to 6:00 p.m. on May 1, 2023.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

RECONSIDERATION OF ACTIONS TAKEN

S.B. No. 1268, S.D. 1 (H.D. 2):

Senator Gabbard moved that the Senate reconsider its action taken on April 4, 2023, in disagreeing to the amendments proposed by the House to S.B. No. 1268, S.D. 1, seconded by Senator Wakai and carried.

In accordance with the Conference Committee Procedures agreed upon by the Senate and the House of Representatives, the managers on the part of the Senate recommended that the Senate agree to the amendments proposed by the House to S.B. No. 1268, S.D. 1, on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 3 (Gabbard, Elefante, Richards). Noes, none. Excused, none.

Senator Gabbard then moved that the Senate agree to the amendments proposed by the House to S.B. No. 1268, S.D. 1, seconded by Senator Wakai.

Senator Gabbard noted:

"Mr. President, this revision will allow the DOA, Department of Ag, to better support and promote agriculture activity through increased management and control of the ag lands currently under its jurisdiction."

The motion was put by the Chair and carried, the Senate agreed to the amendments proposed by the House to S.B. No. 1268, S.D. 1, and S.B. No. 1268, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL LANDS," was placed on the calendar for Final Reading on Thursday, May 4, 2023.

S.C.R. No. 92 (H.D. 1):

Senator Gabbard moved that the Senate reconsider its action taken on April 25, 2023, in disagreeing to the amendments proposed by the House to S.C.R. No. 92, seconded by Senator Wakai and carried.

Senator Gabbard then moved that the Senate agree to the amendments proposed by the House to S.C.R. No. 92, seconded by Senator Wakai.

Senator Gabbard noted:

"Colleagues, this revision will create a working group to address the increase of feral chickens and roosters on the island of O'ahu. It'll provide the framework for the City and County of Honolulu to humanely trap and release feral chickens and roosters should the funding become available."

The motion was put by the Chair and carried, the Senate agreed to the amendments proposed by the House to S.C.R. No. 92, and S.C.R. No. 92, H.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, AND THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU, TO CREATE A WORKING GROUP TO IDENTIFY SOLUTIONS TO MITIGATE AND CONTROL THE SIGNIFICANT INCREASE IN THE POPULATION OF FERAL CHICKENS AND ROOSTERS ACROSS THE ISLAND OF O'AHU," was placed on the calendar for Final Adoption on Thursday, May 4, 2023.

S.C.R. No. 55 (H.D. 1):

Senator Chang moved that the Senate reconsider its action taken on April 18, 2023, in disagreeing to the amendments proposed by the House to S.C.R. No. 55, seconded by Senator Wakai and carried.

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Senator Chang then moved that the Senate agree to the amendments proposed by the House to S.C.R. No. 55, seconded by Senator Wakai.

Senator Chang noted:

"The amendments simply identify the correct federal agency responsible for capital improvement projects."

The motion was put by the Chair and carried, the Senate agreed to the amendments proposed by the House to S.C.R. No. 55, and S.C.R. No. 55, H.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING HAWAII'S CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION TO INTRODUCE AND SUPPORT LEGISLATION TO AMEND TITLE IV-A OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT TO ALLOW UNSPENT TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE FOR NEEDY FAMILIES FUNDS TO BE USED BY STATES TO BUILD TRANSITIONAL SUPPORTIVE HOUSING AND AFFORDABLE RENTAL HOUSING," was placed on the calendar for Final Adoption on Thursday, May 4, 2023.

S.C.R. No. 17, S.D. 1 (H.D. 1):

Senator Keohokalole moved that the Senate reconsider its action taken on April 25, 2023, in disagreeing to the amendments proposed by the House to S.C.R. No. 17, S.D. 1, seconded by Senator Wakai and carried.

Senator Keohokalole then moved that the Senate agree to the amendments proposed by the House to S.C.R. No. 17, S.D. 1, seconded by Senator Wakai.

Senator Keohokalole noted:

"Mr. President, the House amendments are okay. Thank you."

The motion was put by the Chair and carried, the Senate agreed to the amendments proposed by the House to S.C.R. No. 17, S.D. 1, and S.C.R. No. 17, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE AUDITOR TO CONDUCT A SOCIAL AND FINANCIAL ASSESSMENT OF PROPOSED MANDATORY HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR SERVICES PROVIDED BY PHARMACISTS," was placed on the calendar for Final Adoption on Thursday, May 4, 2023.

S.C.R. No. 18, S.D. 1 (H.D. 1):

Senator Keohokalole moved that the Senate reconsider its action taken on April 25, 2023, in disagreeing to the amendments proposed by the House to S.C.R. No. 18, S.D. 1, seconded by Senator Wakai and carried.

Senator Keohokalole then moved that the Senate agree to the amendments proposed by the House to S.C.R. No. 18, S.D. 1, seconded by Senator Wakai.

Senator Keohokalole noted:

"Mr. President, the House amendments are okay. Thank you."

The motion was put by the Chair and carried, the Senate agreed to the amendments proposed by the House to S.C.R. No. 18, S.D. 1, and S.C.R. No. 18, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE AUDITOR TO CONDUCT A SOCIAL AND FINANCIAL ASSESSMENT OF PROPOSED MANDATORY HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR VARIOUS SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH CARE SERVICES," was placed on the calendar for Final Adoption on Thursday, May 4, 2023.

MOTION TO OVERRIDE VETO

S.B. No. 921:

In accordance with Article III, Section 17 of the Hawai'i State Constitution, Senator Kanuha moved that the Senate override the veto of S.B. No. 921, as contained in Gov. Msg. No. 1128, seconded by Senator Wakai.

The Chair clarified the voting procedures.

Senator Rhoads rose to speak in support of the motion to override the veto as follows:

"The veto hurts a very narrow group of condominium purchasers, but it can hurt them pretty badly because it transfers liability for construction mistakes to them, and they may end up having to pay large special assessments. Any cost savings to the developer is because the developers have transferred liability for defective construction to the purchasers—the very people the developers are saying that they're trying to help—so I hope everyone will vote for the override. Mahalo."

Senator Keohokalole rose to speak in support of the motion to override the veto as follows:

"To echo the sentiments of the Judiciary chair, these are, again, very narrow circumstances in which case the result is really, really unjust in terms of outcome. These are situations where, six, seven, eight years later, there is an obvious construction defect that was caused by the developer, and the developer in these situations is able to avoid responsibility for it, in which case all of the residents of these condominiums are going to be required to foot the bill and provide some accountability where it's not due, and it only takes place in these situations where these unfortunate individuals fall into this category. So, for those reasons, I agree and ask you to support overriding the veto. Thank you."

Senator McKelvey rose to speak in support of the motion to override the veto as follows:

"I would like the words of the previous speakers entered into the Journal as if they were my own. (The Chair so ordered, by reference only.) After the veto was issued, I got contacts and communications, as my friend from the Big Island says, from several condo owners who are now stuck with huge construction defects: unshielded coaxial cables, cracks in swimming pools, foundation work, parking lots that don't drain properly—expenses and costs that are going to absolutely crush them and eliminate their reserves. Now, on top of that, you have the increase of insurance rates upon all the condominium owners, including them, which only makes a bad situation worse. I'm proud of the work that we do for consumer protection—this measure is a consumer protection issue; it's a justice issue and a responsibility issue. So, with that, I stand in support of the override. Thank you."

Senator San Buenaventura rose to speak in strong support of the motion to override the veto as follows:

"I'd like to echo Judiciary chair's and CPN chair's remarks, but I'd also like to add that the narrow group of individuals, the reason why we need to override the veto, is because the statute of repose—which is the statute of repose versus the statute of limitations—is because the developers had retained majority control on the board, so even when the condo owners know that there is a defect during the six to seven years, because the developer remained in the board, they were able to prevent the kind of actions against themselves, and that's the reason that this bill is necessary, and it is a justice measure. Thank you very much."

Senator Moriwaki rose to speak in support of the motion to override the veto as follows:

"I, too, would like to echo the CPN and the Judiciary chairs' remarks as my own. (The Chair so ordered, by reference only.) We have seen situations in which new owners, not knowing the defects, have learned of it later and have not been able to do anything about it, so we really would like to support our condo owners. Thank you."

Senator Kidani rose to speak in strong support of the motion to override the veto as follows:

"I'd like to have the remarks of the CPN chair and Jud chair entered into the Journal as if they were my own." (The Chair so ordered, by reference only.)

The Chair then called for a Roll Call vote.

The motion was put by the Chair and carried, the veto of S.B. No. 921, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LIMITATIONS OF ACTIONS," was overridden by not less than two-thirds vote of all members to which the Senate is entitled, on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 24. Noes, 1 (Kim).

At this time, Senator Gabbard rose to speak on a point of personal privilege as follows:

"Mr. President, colleagues, I just want to say mahalo for passing the five hemp bills today. You're helping a blossoming local industry that's experienced some struggles in the past few years. You may not recall, but it was December 14, 1999, when Governor Cayetano proclaimed that day as Hawai'i Hemp Day, and then the government fell asleep for 15 years as it tends to do sometimes. So, in 2014, at the request of a dear friend of mine, John Rogers, who recently passed away from cancer, I was honored to introduce S.B. 2175, which became Act 56, setting up a two-year UH industrial hemp research program, and then more hemp-friendly bills passed in the ensuing years. So my hope then and now is to have Hawai'i nei become the hemp capital of the world based on our one-of-a-kind Hawai'i branding and 365-day-a-year growing season. And while we've yet to reach that goal, today increases my optimism that we will get there. So again, mahalo nui loa, and, by the way, I proclaim you all to be official hempsters, and hemp hemp hooray. Mahalo."

The Chair responded with a "hemp hemp hooray" for Senator Gabbard.

The Chair then addressed Senator Wakai, stating that he had been informed that all floor amendments had been registered by 10:30 a.m. that morning, and so the Senate would reconvene at 11:00 a.m. on Thursday, given the number of floor amendments and fiscal bills the members would need to consider.

ADJOURNMENT

At 11:40 a.m., on motion by Senator Wakai, seconded by Senator DeCoite and carried, the Senate adjourned until 11:00 a.m., Thursday, May 4, 2023.