

FIFTY-FIRST DAY

Friday, April 24, 2026

The Senate of the Thirty-Third Legislature of the State of Hawai'i, Regular Session of 2026, convened at 12:06 p.m. with the President in the Chair.

The Roll was called showing all Senators present, with the exception of Senator Ihara who was excused.

The Chair announced that he had read and approved the Journal of the Fiftieth Day.

Senator San Buenaventura introduction

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR

The following messages from the Governor (Gov. Msg. Nos. 814 and 1104) were read by the Clerk and were disposed of as follows:

Gov. Msg. No. 814, informing the Senate that on April 23, 2026, the Governor withdrew the nominations of KURT KAWAFUCHI, KRISTI MAYNARD, SCOTT HAYASHI, and MARJORIE BENNET to the Council on Revenues, under Gov. Msg. Nos. 516, 517, 518, and 519, from consideration by the Senate, was placed on file.

In compliance with Gov. Msg. No. 814, the nominations listed under Gov. Msg. Nos. 516, 517, 518, and 519 were returned.

Gov. Msg. No. 1104, informing the Senate that on April 23, 2026, the Governor signed into law Senate Bill No. 2256 as Act 4, entitled: "RELATING TO BROTHER JOSEPH DUTTON DAY," was placed on file.

HOUSE COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications from the House (Hse. Com. Nos. 818 to 823) were read by the Clerk and were placed on file:

Hse. Com. No. 818, informing the Senate that on April 23, 2026, the House made the following changes to the conferees on the following bill:

H.B. No. 2315, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1):

Discharged all conferees.

Hse. Com. No. 819, informing the Senate that on April 23, 2026, the Speaker appointed conferees on the part of the House for the consideration of amendments proposed by the House to the following Senate bill:

S.B. No. 2471, S.D. 2 (H.D. 2):

Representatives Matayoshi, Tarnas, co-chairs; Perruso, Pierick,

Hse. Com. No. 820, informing the Senate that on April 23, 2026, the Speaker appointed conferees on the part of the House for the consideration of amendments proposed by the Senate to the following House bills:

H.B. No. 306, H.D. 2 (S.D. 1):

Representatives Hashem, Tarnas, Morikawa, co-chairs; Shimizu.

H.B. No. 1692, H.D. 2 (S.D. 2):

Representatives Kila, Tarnas, co-chairs; Muraoka.

H.B. No. 1842, H.D. 2 (S.D. 1):

Representatives Evslin, Hashem, Yamashita, co-chairs; Muraoka.

H.B. No. 2171, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1):

Representatives Garrett, Hashem, Templo, co-chairs; Woodson, Muraoka.

H.B. No. 2207, H.D. 2 (S.D. 2):

Representatives Chun, Matayoshi, Kusch, co-chairs; Kahalao, Matsumoto.

Hse. Com. No. 821, informing the Senate that on April 23, 2026, the House reconsidered its action taken on April 14, 2026, in disagreeing to the amendments proposed by the Senate to the following House bills:

H.B. No. 2315, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1); and

H.B. No. 2343, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1).

Hse. Com. No. 822, informing the Senate that on April 23, 2026, the House reconsidered its action taken on April 16, 2026, in disagreeing to the amendments proposed by the Senate to H.B. No. 2296, H.D. 1 (S.D. 2).

Hse. Com. No. 823, informing the Senate that on April 23, 2026, the House agreed to the amendments proposed by the Senate and passed the following House bills on Final Reading:

H.B. No. 389, H.D. 1, S.D. 1;

H.B. No. 469, H.D. 2, S.D. 2;

H.B. No. 1510, H.D. 2, S.D. 1;

H.B. No. 1573, H.D. 3, S.D. 1;

H.B. No. 1705, H.D. 1, S.D. 2;

H.B. No. 1858, H.D. 2, S.D. 1;

H.B. No. 1875, H.D. 2, S.D. 2;

H.B. No. 1946, H.D. 2, S.D. 2;

H.B. No. 1961, H.D. 2, S.D. 1;

H.B. No. 1962, H.D. 2, S.D. 1;

H.B. No. 2001, H.D. 2, S.D. 1;

H.B. No. 2093, S.D. 1;

H.B. No. 2096, H.D. 2, S.D. 1; and

H.B. No. 2097, H.D. 1, S.D. 1.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Senators Fukunaga and Wakai, for the Committee on Public Safety and Military Affairs and the Committee on Energy and Intergovernmental Affairs, presented a joint report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3913) recommending that H.C.R. No. 200 be adopted.

By unanimous consent, action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3913 and H.C.R. No. 200, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE TO REASSESS PRIOR DETERMINATIONS AND CLOSURE DECISIONS UNDER THE COMPREHENSIVE ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSE, COMPENSATION, AND LIABILITY ACT IN LIGHT OF EVOLVING SCIENTIFIC UNDERSTANDING OF PER- AND POLYFLUOROALKYL SUBSTANCES AND RECENT FEDERAL HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE DESIGNATIONS," was deferred until Monday, April 27, 2026.

Senators McKelvey and Gabbard, for the Committee on Government Operations and the Committee on Agriculture and Environment, presented a joint report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3914) recommending that H.C.R. No. 144, H.D. 2 be adopted.

By unanimous consent, action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3914 and H.C.R. No. 144, H.D. 2, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND BIOSECURITY TO COLLABORATE WITH STATE AND COUNTY AGENCIES AND COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS TO DEVELOP A COMPREHENSIVE STATEWIDE FOOD SECURITY STRATEGY,” was deferred until Monday, April 27, 2026.

Senator Keohokalole, for the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3915) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations to the Hawaii Medical Board of the following:

ELIZABETH IGNACIO, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 745; and

REBECCA SAWAI, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 776.

In accordance with Senate Rule 37(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3915 and Gov. Msg. Nos. 745 and 776 was deferred until Monday, April 27, 2026.

Senator Keohokalole, for the majority of the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3916) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations to the Real Estate Commission of the following:

RICHARD EMERY, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 697;

TRINETTE KAUI, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 698;

FRANK GOODALE, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 699; and

ANDREA USHIJIMA, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 714.

In accordance with Senate Rule 37(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3916 and Gov. Msg. Nos. 697, 698, 699, and 714 was deferred until Monday, April 27, 2026.

Senator San Buenaventura, for the Committee on Health and Human Services, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3917) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of KRYSS KOJIMA to the Radiologic Technology Board, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 780.

In accordance with Senate Rule 37(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3917 and Gov. Msg. No. 780 was deferred until Monday, April 27, 2026.

Senators Gabbard and San Buenaventura, for the Committee on Agriculture and Environment and the Committee on Health and Human Services, presented a joint report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3918) recommending that H.C.R. No. 33, as amended in S.D. 1, be adopted.

By unanimous consent, action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3918 and H.C.R. No. 33, S.D. 1, entitled: “HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING HAWAII COUNTY, IN COLLABORATION WITH THE PUAKŌ COMMUNITY, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII AT HILO, AND OTHER STAKEHOLDERS, TO COMPLETE THE PUAKŌ SEWAGE PROJECT,” was deferred until Monday, April 27, 2026.

Senators Wakai and Inouye, for the Committee on Energy and Intergovernmental Affairs and the Committee on Transportation, presented a joint report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3919) recommending that H.C.R. No. 154 be adopted.

By unanimous consent, action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3919 and H.C.R. No. 154, entitled: “HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE COUNTY OF HAWAII TO EXPAND THE HELE-ON SHARED RIDE PROGRAM TO SERVE THE ENTIRE ISLAND OF HAWAII, INCLUDING RURAL AND UNDERSERVED AREAS SUCH

AS WEST HAWAII, NORTH KOHALA, SOUTH KOHALA, KA‘Ū, AND PUNA,” was deferred until Monday, April 27, 2026.

Senator Wakai, for the Committee on Energy and Intergovernmental Affairs, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3920) recommending that H.C.R. No. 165 be adopted.

By unanimous consent, action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3920 and H.C.R. No. 165, entitled: “HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION TO INSTALL PERMANENT PICKLEBALL NETS AND COURT LIGHTING AT THE TENNIS COURTS AT KAMILO‘IKI COMMUNITY PARK,” was deferred until Monday, April 27, 2026.

Senators Wakai and Fukunaga, for the Committee on Energy and Intergovernmental Affairs and the Committee on Public Safety and Military Affairs, presented a joint report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3921) recommending that H.C.R. No. 186 be adopted.

By unanimous consent, action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3921 and H.C.R. No. 186, entitled: “HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE AND DEFENSE HEALTH AGENCY TO EXTEND THE RENEWAL PERIOD FOR SECRETARIAL DESIGNEE HEALTH CARE AUTHORIZATIONS RELATED TO THE RED HILL WATER CONTAMINATION CRISIS AND TO IMPROVE HEALTH CARE ACCESS FOR AFFECTED INDIVIDUALS,” was deferred until Monday, April 27, 2026.

Senators Wakai and Gabbard, for the Committee on Energy and Intergovernmental Affairs and the Committee on Agriculture and Environment, presented a joint report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3922) recommending that H.C.R. No. 206, H.D. 1 be adopted.

By unanimous consent, action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3922 and H.C.R. No. 206, H.D. 1, entitled: “HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE HAWAII STATE ENERGY OFFICE TO CONVENE A WORKING GROUP TO STUDY THE POTENTIAL IMPACTS OF LARGE DATA CENTERS ON HAWAII’S ELECTRIC UTILITIES, RATEPAYERS, NATURAL RESOURCES, AND CLIMATE GOALS,” was deferred until Monday, April 27, 2026.

Senators Lee and Richards, for the Committee on Water, Land, Culture and the Arts and the Committee on Hawaiian Affairs, presented a joint report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3923) recommending that H.C.R. No. 166, H.D. 1 be adopted.

By unanimous consent, action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3923 and H.C.R. No. 166, H.D. 1, entitled: “HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO IDENTIFY STATE LANDS IN EAST OAHU SUITABLE FOR THE PLANTING OF NATIVE HAWAIIAN TREES,” was deferred until Monday, April 27, 2026.

Senators Lee and Gabbard, for the Committee on Water, Land, Culture and the Arts and the Committee on Agriculture and Environment, presented a joint report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3924) recommending that H.C.R. No. 31 be adopted.

By unanimous consent, action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3924 and H.C.R. No. 31, entitled: “HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING 2026 AS THE INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF RANGELANDS AND PASTORALISTS IN HAWAII,” was deferred until Monday, April 27, 2026.

Senators Lee and Chang, for the Committee on Water, Land, Culture and the Arts and the Committee on Housing, presented a joint report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3925) recommending that H.C.R. No. 85, H.D. 1 be adopted.

By unanimous consent, action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3925 and H.C.R. No. 85, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO TRANSFER PARCELS THAT MAKE UP THE EAST KAPOLEI TRANSIT-ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT PROJECT TO THE HAWAII HOUSING FINANCE AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION AND URGING THE HAWAII HOUSING FINANCE AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION TO PARTNER WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF HAWAIIAN HOME LANDS AND HAWAII COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY TO FACILITATE THE DEVELOPMENT OF NON-HOUSING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PORTIONS OF THE PROJECT," was deferred until Monday, April 27, 2026.

**ORDER OF THE DAY
ADVISE AND CONSENT**

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3886 (Gov. Msg. No. 651):

Senator Lee moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3886 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Inouye and carried.

Senator Lee then moved that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of ZACHARY BANTOLINA to the King Kamehameha Celebration Commission, term to expire June 30, 2029, seconded by Senator Inouye.

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

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

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3887 (Gov. Msg. No. 738):

Senator Lee moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3887 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Inouye and carried.

Senator Lee then moved that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of KAIPULAUMAKANIOLONO KEALA to the Kaho'olawe Island Reserve Commission, term to expire June 30, 2030, seconded by Senator Inouye.

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

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

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3888 (Gov. Msg. Nos. 683 and 743):

Senator Lee moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3888 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Inouye and carried.

Senator Lee then moved that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations to the Hawai'i Historic Places Review Board of the following:

NOAH DOLIM, term to expire June 30, 2030 (Gov. Msg. No. 683); and

GRAHAM HART, term to expire June 30, 2030 (Gov. Msg. No. 743),

seconded by Senator Inouye.

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

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

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3889 (Gov. Msg. Nos. 641, 642, and 703):

Senator Lee moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3889 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Inouye and carried.

Senator Lee then moved that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations to the Game Management Advisory Commission of the following:

ELROY MOLLENA, term to expire June 30, 2029 (Gov. Msg. No. 641);

RICHARD FURST, term to expire June 30, 2029 (Gov. Msg. No. 642); and

STEPHEN DEWALD, term to expire June 30, 2030 (Gov. Msg. No. 703),

seconded by Senator Inouye.

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

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

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3890 (Gov. Msg. Nos. 645, 646, and 647):

Senator Lee moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3890 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Inouye and carried.

Senator Lee then moved that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations to the Kane'ohe Bay Regional Council of the following:

JOSEPH PICKARD, term to expire June 30, 2029 (Gov. Msg. No. 645);

JARRETT MACHADO, term to expire June 30, 2029 (Gov. Msg. No. 646); and

ELENA BRYANT, term to expire June 30, 2029 (Gov. Msg. No. 647),

seconded by Senator Inouye.

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

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

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3897 (Gov. Msg. Nos. 749, 783, and 785):

Senator McKelvey moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3897 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Gabbard and carried.

Senator McKelvey then moved that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations to the 911 Board of the following:

ELIZABETH GREGG, term to expire June 30, 2027 (Gov. Msg. No. 749);

STEPHEN COURTNEY, term to expire June 30, 2029 (Gov. Msg. No. 783); and

STACY PERREIRA, term to expire June 30, 2028 (Gov. Msg. No. 785),

seconded by Senator Gabbard.

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

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

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3898 (Gov. Msg. No. 784):

Senator McKelvey moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3898 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Gabbard and carried.

Senator McKelvey then moved that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of TERENCE GOMEZ to the 911 Board, term to expire June 30, 2030, seconded by Senator Gabbard.

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

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

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3899 (Gov. Msg. No. 773):

Senator McKelvey moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3899 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Gabbard and carried.

Senator McKelvey then moved that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of PAULA YOUNGLING to the Procurement Policy Board, term to expire June 30, 2030, seconded by Senator Gabbard.

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

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

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3900 (Gov. Msg. No. 531):

Senator San Buenaventura moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3900 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator McKelvey and carried.

Senator San Buenaventura then moved that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of CHARLOTTE TOWNSEND to the Disability and Communication Access Board, term to expire June 30, 2029, seconded by Senator McKelvey.

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

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

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3901 (Gov. Msg. No. 569):

Senator San Buenaventura moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3901 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator McKelvey and carried.

Senator San Buenaventura then moved that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of CYNTHIA MEW to the State Rehabilitation Council, term to expire June 30, 2028, seconded by Senator McKelvey.

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

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

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3902 (Gov. Msg. No. 679):

Senator San Buenaventura moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3902 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator McKelvey and carried.

Senator San Buenaventura then moved that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of KELSEY LEW to the Board of Directors of the Hawai'i Health Systems Corporation, term to expire June 30, 2030, seconded by Senator McKelvey.

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

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

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3911 (Gov. Msg. No. 778):

Senator Rhoads moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3911 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Gabbard and carried.

Senator Rhoads then moved that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of JESSICA SHAFFER to the Commission on the Status of Women, term to expire June 30, 2030, seconded by Senator Gabbard.

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

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

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3912 (Gov. Msg. No. 750):

Senator Rhoads moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3912 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Gabbard and carried.

Senator Rhoads then moved that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of TRACI FUJITA to the Commission to Promote Uniform Legislation, term to expire June 30, 2030, seconded by Senator Gabbard.

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

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

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3909 (Gov. Msg. No. 796):

Senator Rhoads moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3909 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Gabbard and carried.

Senator Rhoads then moved that the Senate advise and consent to the appointment of ANNALISA M. BERNARD LEE as Judge of the Circuit Court of the Second Circuit (Island of Maui), for a term of 10 years, seconded by Senator Gabbard.

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

REMARKS

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

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

Senator Rhoads introduction

The Chair announced that the newly confirmed judges would be greeted on the Senate floor immediately following adjournment.

The Chair then contrasted the members' Aloha Friday attire with that of the appointees who were up for consent that day, expressing surprise that on such a celebratory occasion, the appointees were dressed so professionally and bereft of any lei.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3910 (Gov. Msg. No. 797):

Senator Rhoads moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3910 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Gabbard and carried.

Senator Rhoads then moved that the Senate advise and consent to the appointment of MICHAEL K. SOONG as Judge of the Circuit Court of the Fifth Circuit (Island of Kaua'i), for a term of 10 years, seconded by Senator Gabbard.

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

REMARKS

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

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

Senator Rhoads introduction

ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS**MATTERS DEFERRED FROM THURSDAY, APRIL 23, 2026**

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3883 (H.C.R. No. 103):

On motion by Senator Wakai, seconded by Senator DeCorte and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.C.R. No. 103, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION AFFIRMING SUPPORT FOR THE EXPANSION OF PROGRAMS AND PROJECTS THAT INCREASE TREE CANOPY COVERAGE AND INSTALL SHADE TREES IN URBAN AREAS TO MITIGATE THE EFFECTS OF URBAN HEAT ISLANDS ACROSS THE STATE," was adopted.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3884 (H.C.R. No. 117):

On motion by Senator Wakai, seconded by Senator DeCorte and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.C.R. No. 117, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE GOVERNOR TO ASSESS FOOD INSECURITY CONDITIONS AND IMPLEMENT A STATEWIDE FOOD SECURITY RESPONSE PLAN," was adopted.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3885 (H.C.R. No. 180):

On motion by Senator Wakai, seconded by Senator DeCorte and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.C.R. No. 180, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND BIOSECURITY TO EXPLORE AND PURSUE OPPORTUNITIES TO COLOCATE COMMUNITY-BASED RENEWABLE ENERGY GENERATING PROJECTS WITH AGRICULTURAL RESERVOIRS AND IRRIGATION WATER INFRASTRUCTURE," was adopted.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3891 (H.C.R. No. 112):

On motion by Senator Wakai, seconded by Senator DeCorte and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.C.R. No. 112, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT TO COLLABORATE WITH STATE DEPARTMENTS, AGENCIES, AND LABOR ORGANIZATIONS IN COMPLETING THE COMPREHENSIVE REVIEW OF THE CLASSIFICATION AND COMPENSATION SYSTEMS FOR ALL CIVIL SERVICE POSITIONS UNDER ITS JURISDICTION," was adopted.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3892 (H.C.R. No. 18, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Wakai, seconded by Senator DeCorte and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.C.R. No. 18, S.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO CONVENE A HOSPICE WORKING GROUP TO EXAMINE TRENDS AND REGULATIONS IN THE HOSPICE INDUSTRY," was adopted.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3893 (H.C.R. No. 105, H.D. 1, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Wakai, seconded by Senator DeCorte and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.C.R. No. 105, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE CENTER FOR NURSING TO COMPILE A COMPREHENSIVE LIST OF RECOMMENDED SAFE PATIENT STAFFING STRATEGIES AND RATIOS FOR ALL NURSING SPECIALTIES AND SUBSPECIALTIES ACROSS ALL HEALTH CARE SETTINGS, AND TO MAINTAIN A REPOSITORY FOR THIS INFORMATION," was adopted.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3894 (H.C.R. No. 173, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Wakai, seconded by Senator DeCorte and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.C.R. No. 173, S.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING MAUI HEALTH SYSTEM TO COLLABORATE WITH STAKEHOLDERS TO ESTABLISH A FULL-TIME MEDICAL RESIDENCY PROGRAM ON THE ISLAND OF MAUI," was adopted.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3895 (H.C.R. No. 35):

On motion by Senator Wakai, seconded by Senator DeCorte and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.C.R. No. 35, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE AUDITOR TO ASSESS THE SOCIAL AND FINANCIAL EFFECTS OF MANDATORY HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR BIOMARKER TESTING," was adopted.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3896 (H.C.R. No. 98, H.D. 1, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Wakai, seconded by Senator DeCorte and carried, the joint report of the Committees was adopted and H.C.R. No. 98, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND LAND MANAGEMENT OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU TO DEVELOP A COUNTYWIDE HOUSING PATTERN BOOK TO STREAMLINE PERMIT APPROVALS AND REDUCE REGULATORY BARRIERS FOR SAFE, AFFORDABLE, AND WELL-DESIGNED HOMES," was adopted.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3903 (H.C.R. No. 42, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Wakai, seconded by Senator DeCorte and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.C.R. No. 42, S.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO MEET THE CRITERIA NECESSARY TO OFFICIALLY RECOGNIZE CHEERLEADING AS A TITLE IX SPORT IN HAWAII," was adopted.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3904 (H.C.R. No. 53, S.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Wakai, seconded by Senator DeCorte and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.C.R. No. 53, S.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII BOARD OF REGENTS TO CONDUCT A SYSTEMWIDE ASSOCIATE DEGREE COMPLETION AUDIT," was adopted.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3905 (H.C.R. No. 181, H.D. 1, S.D. 1):

Senator Wakai moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3905 and H.C.R. No. 181, H.D. 1, S.D. 1 be adopted, seconded by Senator DeCorte.

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

REMARKS

The motion was put by the Chair and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.C.R. No. 181, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION AFFIRMING THAT THE LEGISLATIVE INTENT OF

SECTION 302A-1116, HAWAII REVISED STATUTES, IS TO AUTHORIZE THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO CREATE SUBSTANTIVELY TEMPORARY POSITIONS ONLY," was adopted.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3906 (H.C.R. No. 101, H.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Wakai, seconded by Senator DeCorte and carried, the joint report of the Committees was adopted and H.C.R. No. 101, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NOMINATING JOHN D. WAIHE'E III FOR INDUCTION INTO THE ALOHA ORDER OF MERIT," was adopted.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3907 (H.C.R. No. 43):

On motion by Senator Wakai, seconded by Senator DeCorte and carried, the joint report of the Committees was adopted and H.C.R. No. 43, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION SERVICES FOR THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU TO INSTALL RAISED CROSSWALKS AT THE UNIVERSITY AVENUE, LAUIKI STREET, AND KAMOKU STREET INTERSECTIONS WITH HIHIWAI STREET TO IMPROVE PEDESTRIAN SAFETY NEAR ALA WAI ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AND THE SURROUNDING COMMUNITY," was adopted.

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3908 (H.C.R. No. 193, H.D. 1):

On motion by Senator Wakai, seconded by Senator DeCorte and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.C.R. No. 193, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A COURT SECURITY AND DEPARTMENT OF LAW ENFORCEMENT CAPACITY WORKING GROUP TO ADDRESS SYSTEMIC STAFFING SHORTAGES, EXPANDED STATUTORY RESPONSIBILITIES, AND THE ESCALATING FISCAL AND ACCOUNTABILITY RISKS ASSOCIATED WITH PRIVATE SECURITY CONTRACTING AT STATE COURTS," was adopted.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

RECONSIDERATION OF ACTIONS TAKEN

S.C.R. No. 195 (H.D. 1):

Senator Kim moved that the Senate reconsider its action taken on April 21, 2026, in disagreeing to the amendments proposed by the House to S.C.R. No. 195, seconded by Senator Wakai and carried.

Senator Kim then moved that the Senate agree to the amendments proposed by the House to S.C.R. No. 195, seconded by Senator Wakai.

Senator Kim noted:

REMARKS

The motion was put by the Chair and carried, the Senate agreed to the amendments proposed by the House to S.C.R. No. 195, and S.C.R. No. 195, H.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, IN COLLABORATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, TO REVISE PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS TO INCLUDE SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF A STANDALONE FINANCIAL LITERACY COURSE," was placed on the calendar for Final Adoption on Monday, April 27, 2026.

S.C.R. No. 196, S.D. 1 (H.D. 1):

Senator Kim moved that the Senate reconsider its action taken on April 21, 2026, in disagreeing to the amendments

proposed by the House to S.C.R. No. 196, S.D. 1, seconded by Senator Wakai and carried.

Senator Kim then moved that the Senate agree to the amendments proposed by the House to S.C.R. No. 196, S.D. 1, seconded by Senator Wakai.

Senator Kim noted:

REMARKS

The motion was put by the Chair and carried, the Senate agreed to the amendments proposed by the House to S.C.R. No. 196, S.D. 1, and S.C.R. No. 196, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO DEVELOP A PROPOSAL FOR A TIERED, COORDINATED, AND STANDARDIZED BELL SCHEDULE FRAMEWORK FOR DEPARTMENT SCHOOLS," was placed on the calendar for Final Adoption on Monday, April 27, 2026.

At this time, the Chair made the following announcement:

"The deadline to file committee reports on amended House concurrent resolutions in order to meet Monday's Second Crossover deadline is 5:00 p.m. today. The Senate Floor Action Memo issued this evening will include a list of all resolutions scheduled for adoption on Monday."

APPOINTMENT AND DISCHARGE OF CONFEREES

S.B. No. 874, S.D. 2 (H.D. 2):

The President appointed Senator Fukunaga as co-chair and discharged Senator Keohokalole as co-chair on the part of the Senate at the conference to be held for the consideration of amendments proposed by the House to S.B. No. 874, S.D. 2.

S.B. No. 1032, S.D. 2 (H.D. 2):

In accordance with the disagreement of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House to S.B. No. 1032, S.D. 2, and the request for a conference on the subject matter thereof, the President appointed Senators Lee, chair; Rhoads, co-chair; Chang, DeCoite as managers on the part of the Senate at such conference.

S.B. No. 2054, S.D. 2 (H.D. 2):

In accordance with the disagreement of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House to S.B. No. 2054, S.D. 2, and the request for a conference on the subject matter thereof, the President appointed Senators Fukunaga, chair; Wakai, Rhoads, co-chairs; Lee as manager on the part of the Senate at such conference.

S.B. No. 2057, S.D. 2 (H.D. 2):

In accordance with the disagreement of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House to S.B. No. 2057, S.D. 2, and the request for a conference on the subject matter thereof, the President appointed Senators Fukunaga, chair; Wakai, Rhoads, co-chairs; Lee as manager on the part of the Senate at such conference.

S.B. No. 2372, S.D. 2 (H.D. 2):

In accordance with the disagreement of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House to S.B. No. 2372, S.D. 2, and the request for a conference on the subject matter thereof, the President appointed Senators Gabbard, chair; Lee, Rhoads, co-chairs; Richards as manager on the part of the Senate at such conference.

S.B. No. 2398, S.D. 2 (H.D. 2):

In accordance with the disagreement of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House to S.B. No. 2398, S.D. 2,

and the request for a conference on the subject matter thereof, the President appointed Senators Wakai, chair; Chang, Keohokalole, co-chairs; Fevella as manager on the part of the Senate at such conference.

S.B. No. 2405, S.D. 1 (H.D. 2):

In accordance with the disagreement of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House to S.B. No. 2405, S.D. 1, and the request for a conference on the subject matter thereof, the President appointed Senators Gabbard, chair; Hashimoto, co-chair; Richards as manager on the part of the Senate at such conference.

S.B. No. 2407, S.D. 2 (H.D. 1):

In accordance with the disagreement of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House to S.B. No. 2407, S.D. 2, and the request for a conference on the subject matter thereof, the President appointed Senators DeCoite, chair; Gabbard, Richards, co-chairs on the part of the Senate at such conference.

S.B. No. 2577, S.D. 2 (H.D. 1):

In accordance with the disagreement of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House to S.B. No. 2577, S.D. 2, and the request for a conference on the subject matter thereof, the President appointed Senators DeCoite, chair; Wakai, co-chair; Fevella as manager on the part of the Senate at such conference.

S.B. No. 2671, S.D. 1 (H.D. 2):

In accordance with the disagreement of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House to S.B. No. 2671, S.D. 1, and the request for a conference on the subject matter thereof, the President appointed Senators Wakai, chair; Hashimoto, co-chair; Fevella as manager on the part of the Senate at such conference.

S.B. No. 2765, S.D. 1 (H.D. 1):

In accordance with the disagreement of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House to S.B. No. 2765, S.D. 1, and the request for a conference on the subject matter thereof, the President appointed Senators Keohokalole, chair; Rhoads, co-chair; Fukunaga, Awa as managers on the part of the Senate at such conference.

S.B. No. 2969, S.D. 1 (H.D. 1):

In accordance with the disagreement of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House to S.B. No. 2969, S.D. 1, and the request for a conference on the subject matter thereof, the President appointed Senators Kim, chair; McKelvey, Kidani, co-chairs; DeCorte as manager on the part of the Senate at such conference.

S.B. No. 2983, S.D. 1 (H.D. 1):

In accordance with the disagreement of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House to S.B. No. 2983, S.D. 1, and the request for a conference on the subject matter thereof, the President appointed Senators McKelvey, chair; Rhoads, co-chair; DeCorte as manager on the part of the Senate at such conference.

S.B. No. 3028, S.D. 2 (H.D. 2):

In accordance with the disagreement of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House to S.B. No. 3028, S.D. 2, and the request for a conference on the subject matter thereof, the President appointed Senators Lee, chair; Wakai, Kim, co-chairs on the part of the Senate at such conference.

S.B. No. 3029, S.D. 1 (H.D. 2):

In accordance with the disagreement of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House to S.B. No. 3029, S.D. 1, and the request for a conference on the subject matter thereof, the President appointed Senators Lee, chair; Inouye, co-chair; Lamosao as manager on the part of the Senate at such conference.

S.B. No. 3045, S.D. 1 (H.D. 2):

In accordance with the disagreement of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House to S.B. No. 3045, S.D. 1, and the request for a conference on the subject matter thereof, the President appointed Senators Kanuha, chair; Lamosao, co-chair; Fevella as manager on the part of the Senate at such conference.

S.B. No. 3053, S.D. 2 (H.D. 1):

In accordance with the disagreement of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House to S.B. No. 3053, S.D. 2, and the request for a conference on the subject matter thereof, the President appointed Senators Lee, chair; Inouye, co-chair; Lamosao as manager on the part of the Senate at such conference.

S.B. No. 3255, S.D. 1 (H.D. 2):

In accordance with the disagreement of the Senate to the amendments proposed by the House to S.B. No. 3255, S.D. 1, and the request for a conference on the subject matter thereof, the President appointed Senators Keohokalole, chair; Lamosao, Awa as managers on the part of the Senate at such conference.

H.B. No. 1576, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1):

In accordance with the disagreement of the House to the amendments proposed by the Senate to H.B. No. 1576, H.D. 1, and the request for a conference on the subject matter thereof, the President appointed Senators DeCoite, chair; Wakai, co-chair; Fevella as manager on the part of the Senate at such conference.

H.B. No. 1618, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1):

In accordance with the disagreement of the House to the amendments proposed by the Senate to H.B. No. 1618, H.D. 1, and the request for a conference on the subject matter thereof, the President appointed Senators Gabbard, chair; McKelvey, DeCoite, co-chairs on the part of the Senate at such conference.

H.B. No. 1628, H.D. 2 (S.D. 1):

In accordance with the disagreement of the House to the amendments proposed by the Senate to H.B. No. 1628, H.D. 2, and the request for a conference on the subject matter thereof, the President appointed Senators Fukunaga, chair; Rhoads, DeCoite, co-chairs; Inouye as manager on the part of the Senate at such conference.

H.B. No. 1741, H.D. 2 (S.D. 1):

In accordance with the disagreement of the House to the amendments proposed by the Senate to H.B. No. 1741, H.D. 2, and the request for a conference on the subject matter thereof, the President appointed Senators Wakai, chair; Chang, Hashimoto, co-chairs on the part of the Senate at such conference.

H.B. No. 1769, H.D. 2 (S.D. 1):

In accordance with the disagreement of the House to the amendments proposed by the Senate to H.B. No. 1769, H.D. 2, and the request for a conference on the subject matter thereof, the President appointed Senators Fukunaga, chair; Elefante, co-chair; Lee, Inouye as managers on the part of the Senate at such conference.

H.B. No. 1839, H.D. 2 (S.D. 2):

In accordance with the disagreement of the House to the amendments proposed by the Senate to H.B. No. 1839, H.D. 2, and the request for a conference on the subject matter thereof, the President appointed Senators Fukunaga, chair; Wakai, Rhoads, Lee, co-chairs on the part of the Senate at such conference.

H.B. No. 1897, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1):

In accordance with the disagreement of the House to the amendments proposed by the Senate to H.B. No. 1897, H.D. 1, and the request for a conference on the subject matter thereof, the President appointed Senators Keohokalole, chair; Rhoads, co-chair; Awa as manager on the part of the Senate at such conference.

H.B. No. 2023, H.D. 2 (S.D. 1):

In accordance with the disagreement of the House to the amendments proposed by the Senate to H.B. No. 2023, H.D. 2, and the request for a conference on the subject matter thereof, the President appointed Senators Inouye, chair; Rhoads, Moriwaki, co-chairs on the part of the Senate at such conference.

H.B. No. 2246, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1):

In accordance with the disagreement of the House to the amendments proposed by the Senate to H.B. No. 2246, H.D. 1, and the request for a conference on the subject matter thereof, the President appointed Senators Gabbard, chair; Richards, co-chair; DeCoite as manager on the part of the Senate at such conference.

H.B. No. 2250, H.D. 2 (S.D. 2):

In accordance with the disagreement of the House to the amendments proposed by the Senate to H.B. No. 2250, H.D. 2, and the request for a conference on the subject matter thereof, the President appointed Senators Rhoads, chair; Hashimoto, co-chair; Awa as manager on the part of the Senate at such conference.

H.B. No. 2270, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1):

In accordance with the disagreement of the House to the amendments proposed by the Senate to H.B. No. 2270, H.D. 1, and the request for a conference on the subject matter thereof, the President appointed Senators Chang, chair; Hashimoto, co-chair; Fevella as manager on the part of the Senate at such conference.

H.B. No. 2385, H.D. 3 (S.D. 1):

In accordance with the disagreement of the House to the amendments proposed by the Senate to H.B. No. 2385, H.D. 3, and the request for a conference on the subject matter thereof, the President appointed Senators Chang, chair; Hashimoto, co-chair; Elefante as manager on the part of the Senate at such conference.

S.C.R. No. 195 (H.D. 1):

The President discharged all conferees on the part of the Senate at the conference to be held for the consideration of amendments proposed by the House to S.C.R. No. 195.

S.C.R. No. 196, S.D. 1 (H.D. 1):

The President discharged all conferees on the part of the Senate at the conference to be held for the consideration of amendments proposed by the House to S.C.R. No. 196, S.D. 1.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

On motion by Senator Wakai, seconded by Senator DeCorte and carried unanimously, the Senate authorized the Clerk to receive standing committee reports on amended House concurrent resolutions to be placed on the calendar for adoption. In consequence thereof, and subsequent to its recessing at 12:20 p.m., the Senate took the following actions on the following House concurrent resolutions and standing committee reports:

Senator Keohokalole, for the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3926) recommending that H.C.R. No. 137, H.D. 1, as amended in S.D. 1, be adopted.

By unanimous consent, action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3926 and H.C.R. No. 137, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING AN IMMEDIATE AND PERMANENT CEASEFIRE AND AN END TO HOSTILITIES IN IRAN," was deferred until Monday, April 27, 2026.

Senator Lee, for the Committee on Water, Land, Culture and the Arts, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3927) recommending that H.C.R. No. 179, H.D. 1, as amended in S.D. 1, be adopted.

By unanimous consent, action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3927 and H.C.R. No. 179, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE 'AHA MOKU ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO FOLLOW ITS ADOPTED RULES OF PRACTICE, FULFILL ITS STATUTORY DUTIES, ESTABLISH POLICIES TO ASSURE CONSISTENT STANDARDS OF ADMINISTRATIVE AND MANAGERIAL ACCOUNTABILITY; AND CONVENING A WORKING GROUP TO MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS," was deferred until Monday, April 27, 2026.

Senator Rhoads, for the Committee on Judiciary, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3928) recommending that H.C.R. No. 32, S.D. 1 be adopted.

By unanimous consent, action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3928 and H.C.R. No. 32, S.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE GOVERNOR'S SENIOR ADVISOR FOR MENTAL HEALTH AND THE JUSTICE SYSTEM TO FORMULATE A PLAN TO CREATE PLACES OF SHELTER FOR PERSONS UNDER CIVIL COMMITMENT AND FOR PERSONS WHO HAVE BEEN RECENTLY RELEASED FROM THE HAWAII STATE HOSPITAL AND ARE AT RISK OF RECIDIVISM," was deferred until Monday, April 27, 2026.

ADJOURNMENT

At 5:00 p.m., the Senate adjourned until 12:00 p.m., Monday, April 27, 2026.