

FIFTY-EIGHTH DAY

Friday, May 8, 2026

The Senate of the Thirty-Third Legislature of the State of Hawai'i, Regular Session of 2026, convened at 12:17 p.m. with the President in the Chair.

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

The Chair announced that he had read and approved the Journal of the Fifty-Seventh Day.

Senator Kanuha introduction

Senator Inouye introduction

Senator DeCorte introduction

Senator Rhoads introduction

Senator Elefante introduction

Senator Keohokalole introduction

Senator Dela Cruz introduction

The Chair made the following comments:

REMARKS

Senator Dela Cruz introduction

Senator Chang introduction

Senator Lee introduction

Senator Kanuha introduction

Senator Fevella introduction

HOUSE COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications from the House (Hse. Com. Nos. 885 to 888) were read by the Clerk and were placed on file:

Hse. Com. No. 885, informing the Senate that on May 6, 2026, H.B. No. 1800, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1 passed Final Reading in the House of Representatives.

Hse. Com. No. 886, informing the Senate that on May 6, 2026, the House reconsidered its action taken on April 14, 2026, in disagreeing to the amendments proposed by the Senate to H.B. No. 1860, H.D. 2 (S.D. 1).

Hse. Com. No. 887, informing the Senate that on May 6, 2026, the House reconsidered its action taken on April 16, 2026, in disagreeing to the amendments proposed by the Senate to H.B. No. 2250, H.D. 2 (S.D. 2).

Hse. Com. No. 888, informing the Senate that on May 6, 2026, the following bills passed Final Reading in the House of Representatives:

H.B. No. 472, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 649, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 1391, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 2;
 H.B. No. 1481, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 1509, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 1511, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 1515, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 1518, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 1541, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 1548, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 1576, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 1618, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 1642, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;

H.B. No. 1643, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 1661, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 1667, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 1678, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 1682, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 1688, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 1692, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 1707, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 1710, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 1711, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 1713, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 1718, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 1721, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 1728, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 1737, H.D. 3, S.D. 2, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 1740, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 1741, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 1785, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 1801, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 1802, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 1804, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 1810, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 1815, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 1824, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 1838, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 1839, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 1853, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 1854, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 1864, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 1870, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 1881, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 1888, H.D. 3, S.D. 2, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 1890, H.D. 3, S.D. 2, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 1891, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 1894, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 1920, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 1959, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 1960, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 1969, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 1973, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 1974, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 2023, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 2050, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 2078, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 2094, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 2095, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 2104, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 2137, H.D. 3, S.D. 2, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 2152, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 2158, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 2171, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 2207, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 2218, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 2246, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 2270, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 2271, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 2272, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 2279, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 2282, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 2289, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 2293, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 2297, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 2300, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 2309, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 2310, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 2314, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 2319, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 2329, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;

H.B. No. 2338, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 2339, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 2344, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 2361, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 2385, H.D. 3, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 2395, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 2417, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 2429, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 2443, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 2452, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 2474, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 2475, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 2498, H.D. 2, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 2505, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 2547, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 2576, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 2583, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 H.B. No. 2592, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 99, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 177, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 411, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 847, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 874, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 888, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 903, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 1432, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 2001, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 2031, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 2043, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 2050, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 2053, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 2057, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 2060, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 2061, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 1;
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 S.B. No. 2075, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 2101, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1;
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 S.B. No. 2851, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 2852, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 2861, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 2866, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 2876, H.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 2877, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 2881, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 2892, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 2907, S.D. 1, H.D. 3, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 2921, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 2930, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 2934, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 2964, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 2983, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 2999, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 3001, S.D. 2, H.D. 3, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 3007, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 3025, S.D. 2, H.D. 3, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 3029, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 3045, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 3067, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 3069, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 3073, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 3076, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 3083, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 3096, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 3131, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 3132, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 3136, H.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 3137, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 3138, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 3140, H.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 3154, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 3156, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 3157, H.D. 2, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 3204, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 3215, H.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 3218, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 3219, H.D. 3, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 3229, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 3234, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 3238, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 3245, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 3253, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 3255, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 3262, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 3302, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 3320, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1;
 S.B. No. 3324, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1; and
 S.B. No. 3325, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, C.D. 1.

At 12:32 p.m., the Senate stood in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

The Senate reconvened at 12:34 p.m.

**ORDER OF THE DAY
 ADVISE AND CONSENT**

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3998 (Gov. Msg. No. 552):

Senator McKelvey moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3998 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Kanuha and carried.

Senator McKelvey then moved that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of PINA LEMUSU to the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, term to expire June 30, 2026, seconded by Senator Kanuha.

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

Ayes, 24. Noes, none. Excused, 1 (San Buenaventura).

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3999 (Gov. Msg. No. 553):

Senator McKelvey moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3999 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Kanuha and carried.

Senator McKelvey then moved that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of ANNE CHIPCHASE to the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, term to expire June 30, 2029, seconded by Senator Kanuha.

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

Ayes, 24. Noes, none. Excused, 1 (San Buenaventura).

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 4000 (Gov. Msg. No. 710):

Senator McKelvey moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 4000 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Kanuha and carried.

Senator McKelvey then moved that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of KAREN GLASSER to the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, term to expire June 30, 2030, seconded by Senator Kanuha.

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

Ayes, 24. Noes, none. Excused, 1 (San Buenaventura).

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 4001 (Gov. Msg. No. 567):

Senator McKelvey moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 4001 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Kanuha and carried.

Senator McKelvey then moved that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of JAMES MONTGOMERY to the State Rehabilitation Council, term to expire June 30, 2027, seconded by Senator Kanuha.

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

Ayes, 24. Noes, none. Excused, 1 (San Buenaventura).

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 4002 (Gov. Msg. No. 568):

Senator McKelvey moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 4002 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Kanuha and carried.

Senator McKelvey then moved that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of EMILY WILKINSON to the State Rehabilitation Council, term to expire June 30, 2028, seconded by Senator Kanuha.

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

Ayes, 24. Noes, none. Excused, 1 (San Buenaventura).

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 4003 (Gov. Msg. Nos. 565, 566, and 570):

Senator McKelvey moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 4003 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Kanuha and carried.

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

PATRICK GARTSIDE, term to expire June 30, 2028 (Gov. Msg. No. 565);

JUDITH DANIELS, term to expire June 30, 2028 (Gov. Msg. No. 566); and

CHRISTINE PARK, term to expire June 30, 2028 (Gov. Msg. No. 570),

seconded by Senator Kanuha.

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

Ayes, 24. Noes, none. Excused, 1 (San Buenaventura).

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 4004 (Gov. Msg. Nos. 514 and 515):

Senator Keohokalole moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 4004 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 Public Utilities Commission of the following:

JON ITOMURA, term to expire June 30, 2026 (Gov. Msg. No. 514); and

JON ITOMURA, term to expire June 30, 2032 (Gov. Msg. No. 515),

seconded by Senator Fukunaga.

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

REMARKS

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

REMARKS

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

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

Ayes, 24. Noes, none. Excused, 1 (San Buenaventura).

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 4005 (Gov. Msg. Nos. 788 and 789):

Senator Lee moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 4005 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 Sister-State and International Partnerships Commission of the following:

KAREN KNUDSEN, term to expire June 30, 2030 (Gov. Msg. No. 788); and

WESLEY FONG, term to expire June 30, 2030 (Gov. Msg. No. 789),

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 (San Buenaventura).

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 4006 (Gov. Msg. Nos. 769 and 770):

Senator Lee moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 4006 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 State Foundation on Culture and the Arts of the following:

PATRICK BRANCO, term to expire June 30, 2030 (Gov. Msg. No. 769); and

C. MAKANANI SALA, term to expire June 30, 2030 (Gov. Msg. No. 770),

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 (San Buenaventura).

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 4007 (Gov. Msg. Nos. 766 and 767):

Senator Lee moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 4007 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 Land Use Commission of the following:

MELVIN KAHELE, term to expire June 30, 2030 (Gov. Msg. No. 766); and

MYLES MIYASATO, term to expire June 30, 2029 (Gov. Msg. No. 767),

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 (San Buenaventura).

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 4008 (Gov. Msg. Nos. 636, 637, 638, and 692):

Senator Lee moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 4008 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 Board of Land and Natural Resources of the following:

DENISE ISERI-MATSUBARA, term to expire June 30, 2029 (Gov. Msg. No. 636);

CALVIN YOUNG, term to expire June 30, 2029 (Gov. Msg. No. 637);

JAMES CARPIO, term to expire June 30, 2029 (Gov. Msg. No. 638); and

RILEY SMITH, term to expire June 30, 2030 (Gov. Msg. No. 692),

seconded by Senator Inouye.

Senator Fevella rose to speak in opposition to Gov. Msg. No. 692 as follows:

REMARKS

Senator Ihara rose to speak in support of Gov. Msg. No. 636 with reservations as follows:

REMARKS

Senator Ihara rose to speak in opposition to Gov. Msg. No. 692 as follows:

REMARKS

Senator Richards rose to speak in strong support of Gov. Msg. No. 692 as follows:

REMARKS

Senator Inouye rose to speak in support of Gov. Msg. No. 692 as follows:

REMARKS

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

For Gov. Msg. No. 636: Ayes, 22. Ayes with Reservations (Fukunaga, Ihara). Noes, 2 (Elefante, Gabbard). Excused, 1 (San Buenaventura).

For Gov. Msg. Nos. 637 and 638: Ayes, 24. Noes, none. Excused, 1 (San Buenaventura).

For Gov. Msg. No. 692: Ayes, 14. Noes, 10 (Awa, DeCorte, Elefante, Fevella, Fukunaga, Gabbard, Ihara, Kim, McKelvey, Rhoads). Excused, 1 (San Buenaventura).

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 4009 (Gov. Msg. Nos. 740 and 741):

Senator Lee moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 4009 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 Mauna Kea Stewardship and Oversight Authority of the following:

MICHELLE NOE NOE WONG-WILSON, term to expire June 30, 2029 (Gov. Msg. No. 740); and

RICHARD MATSUDA, term to expire June 30, 2029 (Gov. Msg. No. 741),

seconded by Senator Inouye.

Senator Dela Cruz spoke in support of the nominees 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 (San Buenaventura).

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 4010 (Gov. Msg. No. 742):

Senator Lee moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 4010 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 JOHN KOMEIJI to the Mauna Kea Stewardship and Oversight Authority, term to expire June 30, 2029, seconded by Senator Inouye.

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

REMARKS

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

REMARKS

Senator Richards rose to speak on a point of personal privilege as follows:

REMARKS

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

Ayes, 24. Ayes with Reservations (Elefante, Inouye). Noes, none. Excused, 1 (San Buenaventura).

Senator Keohokalole introduction

The Chair comment

Senator Lee introduction

Senator Inouye introduction

Senator Keohokalole introduction

FINAL ADOPTION

S.C.R. No. 50, S.D. 1, H.D. 1:

On motion by Senator Wakai, seconded by Senator DeCorte and carried, the Senate agreed to the amendments proposed by the House to S.C.R. No. 50, S.D. 1, and S.C.R. No. 50, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE HAWAII HEALTH PLAN WORKING GROUP TO DESIGN AND RECOMMEND A BASIC, AFFORDABLE HAWAII HEALTH PLAN AVAILABLE TO EVERY RESIDENT OF THE STATE," was Finally Adopted.

S.C.R. No. 149, S.D. 1, H.D. 1:

On motion by Senator Wakai, seconded by Senator DeCorte and carried, the Senate agreed to the amendments proposed by the House to S.C.R. No. 149, S.D. 1, and S.C.R. No. 149, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO ASSESS THE SERVICES AND FUNDING NECESSARY TO ADDRESS THE NEEDS OF COMPLEX PATIENTS WHO HAVE TWO OR MORE DIAGNOSES THAT INCLUDE SUBSTANCE USE DISORDERS, MENTAL HEALTH DISORDERS, OR CHRONIC PHYSICAL ILLNESSES," was Finally Adopted.

FINAL READING

S.B. No. 3125, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 2:

Senator Dela Cruz moved that S.B. No. 3125, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 2, having been read throughout, pass Final Reading, seconded by Senator Moriwaki.

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

REMARKS

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

REMARKS

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

REMARKS

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

REMARKS

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

REMARKS

The motion was put by the Chair and carried, S.B. No. 3125, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO INCOME TAX," having been read throughout, passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 24. Noes, none. Excused, 1 (San Buenaventura).

Senator Rhoads introduction

H.B. No. 2275, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 2:

On motion by Senator Dela Cruz, seconded by Senator Moriwaki and carried, H.B. No. 2275, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FUNDING ADJUSTMENTS FOR STATE PROGRAMS," having been read throughout, passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 24. Noes, none. Excused, 1 (San Buenaventura).

H.B. No. 1753, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, C.D. 2:

On motion by Senator Keohokalole, seconded by Senator Rhoads and carried, H.B. No. 1753, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, C.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SOCIAL MEDIA," having been read throughout, passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 24. Noes, none. Excused, 1 (San Buenaventura).

S.B. No. 2471, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 2:

Senator Keohokalole moved that S.B. No. 2471, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 2, having been read throughout, pass Final Reading, seconded by Senator Rhoads.

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

REMARKS

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

REMARKS

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

REMARKS

The motion was put by the Chair and carried, S.B. No. 2471, S.D. 2, H.D. 2, C.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE POWERS OF ARTIFICIAL PERSONS," having been read throughout, passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 24. Noes, none. Excused, 1 (San Buenaventura).

S.B. No. 2069, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, C.D. 2:

On motion by Senator Chang, seconded by Senator Hashimoto and carried, S.B. No. 2069, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, C.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE DWELLING UNIT REVOLVING FUND," having been read throughout, passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 24. Noes, none. Excused, 1 (San Buenaventura).

H.B. No. 1334, H.D. 3, S.D. 2, C.D. 2:

On motion by Senator Wakai, seconded by Senator Richards and carried, H.B. No. 1334, H.D. 3, S.D. 2, C.D. 2, entitled: "A

BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MEAT DONATION," having been read throughout, passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 24. Noes, none. Excused, 1 (San Buenaventura).

S.B. No. 2169, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 2:

On motion by Senator Richards, seconded by Senator DeCoite and carried, S.B. No. 2169, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE AGRIBUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION," having been read throughout, passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 24. Noes, none. Excused, 1 (San Buenaventura).

H.B. No. 1823, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, C.D. 2:

On motion by Senator Lee, seconded by Senator Kanuha and carried, H.B. No. 1823, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, C.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE COASTAL ZONE MANAGEMENT ACT," having been read throughout, passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 23; Ayes with Reservations (Elefante). Noes, 1 (McKelvey). Excused, 1 (San Buenaventura).

S.B. No. 2401, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, C.D. 2:

On motion by Senator Lee, seconded by Senator Kanuha and carried, S.B. No. 2401, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, C.D. 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO REGIONAL SHORELINE MITIGATION DISTRICTS," having been read throughout, passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 24. Noes, none. Excused, 1 (San Buenaventura).

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 239-26 (S.B. No. 3203, H.D. 1, C.D. 1):

On motion by Senator McKelvey, seconded by Senator Kanuha and carried, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 239-26 was adopted and S.B. No. 3203, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AIR MEDICAL SERVICES," having been read throughout, passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 24. Noes, none. Excused, 1 (San Buenaventura).

Conf. Com. Rep. No. 240-26 (S.B. No. 3263, S.D. 2, H.D. 3, C.D. 1):

Senator Kim moved that Conf. Com. Rep. No. 240-26 be adopted and S.B. No. 3263, S.D. 2, H.D. 3, C.D. 1, having been read throughout, pass Final Reading, seconded by Senator DeCoite.

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

REMARKS

Senator Dela Cruz rose to speak in opposition to the measure as follows:

REMARKS

The Chair called for a Roll Call vote.

The motion was put by the Chair and failed to carry, Conf. Com. Rep. No. 240-26 was not adopted and S.B. No. 3263, S.D. 2, H.D. 3, C.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII," having been read throughout, and Roll Call vote having been requested, failed to pass Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 11. Noes, 12 (DeCorte, Dela Cruz, Elefante, Fevella, Gabbard, Hashimoto, Inouye, Kidani, Kim, Lamosao, Moriawaki, Wakai). Excused, 2 (McKelvey, San Buenaventura).

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

**RECONSIDERATION OF ACTIONS TAKEN
AND
FINAL ADOPTION**

S.C.R. No. 58, S.D. 1 (H.D. 1):

Senator Lee moved that the Senate reconsider its action taken on April 27, 2026, in disagreeing to the amendments proposed by the House to S.C.R. No. 58, S.D. 1, seconded by Senator Wakai and carried.

Senator Lee then moved that the Senate agree to the amendments proposed by the House to S.C.R. No. 58, S.D. 1, seconded by Senator Wakai.

Senator Lee noted:

REMARKS

The motion was put by the Chair and carried.

On motion by Senator Wakai, seconded by Senator DeCorte and carried, the Senate agreed to the amendments proposed by the House to S.C.R. No. 58, S.D. 1, and S.C.R. No. 58, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE DIVISION OF BOATING AND OCEAN RECREATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO DEVELOP A PROGRESSIVE ENFORCEMENT FRAMEWORK FOR PARKING VIOLATIONS IN PARKING LOTS UNDER ITS JURISDICTION; ENSURE PROPER USE OF PARKING AREAS BY INTENDED USERS; AND IMPROVE THE PREVALENCE AND CLARITY OF SIGNAGE REGARDING PARKING REGULATIONS, FEES, AND PENALTIES," was Finally Adopted.

S.C.R. No. 159, S.D. 1 (H.D. 2):

Senator Lee moved that the Senate reconsider its action taken on April 28, 2026, in disagreeing to the amendments proposed by the House to S.C.R. No. 159, S.D. 1, seconded by Senator Wakai and carried.

Senator Lee then moved that the Senate agree to the amendments proposed by the House to S.C.R. No. 159, S.D. 1, seconded by Senator Wakai.

Senator Lee noted:

REMARKS

The motion was put by the Chair and carried.

On motion by Senator Wakai, seconded by Senator DeCorte and carried, the Senate agreed to the amendments proposed by the House to S.C.R. No. 159, S.D. 1, and S.C.R. No. 159, S.D. 1, H.D. 2, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING PUBLIC AND PRIVATE STAKEHOLDERS TO ADOPT SHARED GUIDING PRINCIPLES FOR THE PLANNING, FINANCING, AND UNDERTAKING OF EFFORTS FOR THE RESTORATION, IMPROVEMENT, AND MAINTENANCE OF THE BEACHES, SHORELINE, AND COASTAL AREAS OF WAIKIKI," was Finally Adopted.

S.C.R. No. 166, S.D. 1 (H.D. 1):

Senator Keohokalole moved that the Senate reconsider its action taken on April 27, 2026, in disagreeing to the amendments proposed by the House to S.C.R. No. 166, 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. 166, S.D. 1, seconded by Senator Wakai.

Senator Keohokalole noted:

REMARKS

The motion was put by the Chair and carried.

On motion by Senator Wakai, seconded by Senator DeCorte and carried, the Senate agreed to the amendments proposed by the House to S.C.R. No. 166, S.D. 1, and S.C.R. No. 166, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION TO MAKE CERTAIN JUDGMENTS, CONSIDERATIONS, AND DECISIONS WHEN MAKING ANY DETERMINATION RELATING TO A GENERATIONAL ENERGY COMMITMENT FOR THE STATE," was Finally Adopted.

S.C.R. No. 172, S.D. 1 (H.D. 1):

Senator Keohokalole moved that the Senate reconsider its action taken on April 27, 2026, in disagreeing to the amendments proposed by the House to S.C.R. No. 172, 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. 172, S.D. 1, seconded by Senator Wakai.

Senator Keohokalole noted:

REMARKS

The motion was put by the Chair and carried.

On motion by Senator Wakai, seconded by Senator DeCorte and carried, the Senate agreed to the amendments proposed by the House to S.C.R. No. 172, S.D. 1, and S.C.R. No. 172, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION TO CONDUCT A COMPREHENSIVE ANALYSIS ON THE BEST PATHS TO MAXIMIZE COST REDUCTION AND MINIMIZE FINANCIAL RISK TO HAWAII RESIDENTS WHILE MEETING STATE GOALS," was Finally Adopted.

Senator Rhoads introduction

SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following resolutions (S.R. Nos. 193 to 195) were read by the Clerk and were disposed of as follows:

S.R. No. 193 "SENATE RESOLUTION REGARDING COMPLETION OF THE WORK OF THE THIRTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE, REGULAR SESSION OF 2026, SUBSEQUENT TO ADJOURNMENT THEREOF."

Offered by: Senator Kanuha

On motion by Senator Wakai, seconded by Senator DeCorte and carried, S.R. No. 193 was adopted.

S.R. No. 194 "SENATE RESOLUTION RETURNING ALL BILLS, CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS, AND RESOLUTIONS TO THE CLERK'S DESK."

Offered by: Senator Kanuha

On motion by Senator Wakai, seconded by Senator DeCorte and carried, S.R. No. 194 was adopted.

S.R. No. 195 "SENATE RESOLUTION INFORMING THE HOUSE AND GOVERNOR THAT THE SENATE IS READY TO ADJOURN SINE DIE."

Offered by: Senator Kanuha

On motion by Senator Wakai, seconded by Senator DeCorte and carried, S.R. No. 195 was adopted.

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

REMARKS

The Chair stated that the House had concluded its session and that representatives were outside the Senate Chamber. The Chair then announced that he would call for a recess so that House and Senate members could gather in a circle and sing "Hawai'i Aloha" as was their tradition.

At 1:35 p.m., the Senate stood in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

The Senate reconvened at 1:49 p.m.

Senator Gabbard rose to speak on a point of personal privilege as follows:

REMARKS

Senator Chang rose to speak on a point of personal privilege as follows:

REMARKS

Senator Lee rose to speak on a point of personal privilege as follows:

REMARKS

Senator Elefante rose to speak on a point of personal privilege as follows:

REMARKS

Senator McKelvey rose to speak on a point of personal privilege as follows:

REMARKS

Senator Rhoads rose to present the following remarks:

REMARKS

The Chair presented the following remarks:

REMARKS

Senator Kanuha rose to speak on a point of personal privilege as follows:

REMARKS

Senator Gabbard rose to speak on a point of personal privilege as follows:

REMARKS

The Chair presented the following remarks:

REMARKS

Senator Ihara rose to speak on a point of personal privilege as follows:

REMARKS

Senator Kim rose to speak on a point of personal privilege as follows:

REMARKS

Senator Wakai rose to speak on a point of personal privilege as follows:

REMARKS

The Chair presented the following remarks:

REMARKS

Senator Awa rose to speak on a point of personal privilege as follows:

REMARKS

Senator Rhoads introduction

At this time, Senate President Kouchi addressed the members of the Senate as follows:

REMARKS

Senator Awa rose to speak on a point of personal privilege as follows:

REMARKS

The Chair made the following comments:

REMARKS

Senator Dela Cruz rose to speak on a point of personal privilege as follows:

REMARKS

ADJOURNMENT

Senator Wakai moved that the Senate of the Thirty-Third Legislature of the State of Hawai'i, Regular Session of 2026, adjourn Sine Die, seconded by Senator DeCorte and carried.

At 2:38 p.m., the President rapped his gavel and declared the Senate of the Thirty-Third Legislature of the State of Hawai'i, Regular Session of 2026, adjourned Sine Die.