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In accordance with the provisions of Section 10 of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii, the Senate of the Twentieth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2000, was called to order at 10:02 o'clock a.m., by the Honorable Norman Mizuguchi, President of the Senate.

At this time, the members of the Senate, guests and audience rose to sing the National Anthem and "Hawaii Pono'i," led by Ms. Nohelani Cypriano, Ms. Loyal Garner, Ms. Carole Kai and Ms. Melveen Leed of the "Four Divas."

The Divine Blessing was then invoked by the Reverend Christopher Eng of the Waipahu United Church of Christ, who was escorted to the rostrum by Senators Chun Oakland, Kanno, Kawamoto, Matsuura and Anderson.

The President then directed the Senate Clerk to call the Roll. The Clerk called the Roll showing all Senators present.

At this time, the President introduced his wife, Harriet, his son, Reid, and daughter-in-law, Hayley.

The President then addressed the members of the Senate and guests as follows:

"Governor Cayetano, Lt. Governor Hirono, Chief Justice Moon, former Governor and Mrs. Waihee, United States Senator Inouye, United States Senator Akaka, Mayor Yamashiro, Mayor Apana, honored guests from here and abroad, members of the Senate, people of Hawaii:

"Welcome to the convening of the Senate of the Year 2000 Session of the Twentieth State Legislature.

"For the past several sessions, in what has become a Senate tradition, we have used the occasion of Opening Day to pay tribute to one or more of our citizens for their outstanding contributions.

"Today, we honor two citizens. One has become a household name in just a short year. The other is not yet a household name but deserves no less to be honored.

"The household name, of course, is Coach June Jones. His love for Hawaii brought him back to the islands as coach of the University of Hawaii Rainbow Warriors. His job was to turn around a football program deeply in trouble, and he has succeeded beyond anyone's wildest dreams: from 0 wins, 12 losses a year ago to a 9-4 record, the biggest comeback in college football history; winner of the WAC championship; winner of the Oahu Bowl.

"More importantly, Coach June Jones instilled faith in his players and encouraged them to believe in themselves. He, his fellow coaches, and his players have brought admiration, pride, and respect to our university and our state. Coach June Jones has been recognized as WAC Coach of the Year, the national Coach of the Year of Sporting News as well as CNN/Sports Illustrated, and Honolulu Magazine's Islander of the Year. To

these honors we humbly add our personal tribute. Coach June Jones, please stand so that we may show our gratitude and aloha for you. (Coach Jones rose to be recognized and received a resounding round of applause.)

"The second person we honor is Margaret 'Maggie' Ulm, not yet a household name but you'll soon agree that she should be. We all know that many of our teachers dig into their own pockets to buy classroom supplies and other items which the schools don't provide. They make these sacrifices out of concern and love for their students. Maggie Ulm recognized this and wanted to help. She decided to adopt Louise Nagata, a first grade teacher at Gus Webling Elementary in Aiea, and provided supplies for her classroom.

"From that gem of an idea, Maggie Ulm used her energy, resourcefulness, and ingenuity to form the Adopt A Teacher Foundation. Today, after just a short time, scores of teachers have been adopted by many caring and concerned citizens, but there are hundreds of teachers waiting to be adopted. Maggie Ulm reminds us that by adopting a teacher, we also adopt all of the teacher's children. I am in the process of adopting a teacher, and I hope many of you will do the same and spread the word about this noteworthy program. Maggie Ulm, may your generous spirit spread throughout the islands and reach into every classroom. Please stand so that we may thank you on behalf of the teachers and children of Hawaii. (Maggie Ulm rose to be recognized and also received a round of applause. The President then introduced her husband, Mike Ulm, who also rose to be recognized.)

"As we begin the session, let us quickly get down to legislative business. Earlier, I offered the advice that the Legislature should not try to cover the entire landscape and stretch itself thin. Instead, the Legislature could be more productive by concentrating on a limited number of issues. I now share with you my thoughts about a preliminary agenda.

"One of our first actions should be to meet with the House of Representatives as soon as possible to reappoint Marion Higa as State Auditor. She has served with distinction and she has shown the professionalism, independence, integrity, and fearlessness required for the office. We need her to continue as the State Auditor and we are fortunate that she is willing to serve.

"There are other important positions that should receive early consideration. We expect the Governor to formally submit his nominations to fill key positions in his cabinet. As executive departments require the certainty of stable leadership, I recommend that the respective Senate committees schedule early hearings on the nominations and report the matters for consideration and action by the full Senate.

"Another priority is to put the fireworks issue behind us. This issue has been fully debated in past sessions and there is little need to gather more facts. We know that there is a great cultural divide on the issue, but the public demands that we make a decision. My position is that the public's health and safety requires a statewide ban on fireworks, except for religious and cultural events. Some of you may not agree, but

let's work together with the House of Representatives to move a fireworks bill from the conference committee to the floor and vote the bill up or down.

"In spite of the substantial changes that have recently been made to reform our procurement laws, I believe that more should be done to restore the public's confidence in how government does business. The need is especially apparent in the award of nonbid contracts for professional services, such as architects and engineers. I propose that we strengthen ethical conduct in the award of personal service contracts by requiring full public disclosure. The routine disclosure may include such details as the principal officers of the firm awarded the contract, any relationship of the principals to the official making the award, and identification of the other finalists. The disclosure should be placed on the internet or published in our newspapers.

"In our continuing efforts to improve the economy, we must capitalize fully on the opportunity presented by the Navy's relinquishment of Barbers Point Naval Air Station. We have long visualized Kapolei and the Ewa plain emerging as Oahu's second city. With the addition of Barbers Point, the potential is there to build a powerful economic engine and the formation of a 'Silicon Valley West,' a vital center to create jobs and new economic opportunities.

"We should assign the existing Hawaii Community Development Authority the responsibility for the development of Barbers Point. At the same time, I believe that jurisdiction over Kakaako should be returned to the City and County of Honolulu which can then integrate the preservation, enhancement, and development of the entire waterfront area from Waikiki to Kakaako.

"Another aspect of the local economy which can be expanded is agriculture. We must assist agricultural producers in the areas of product development and marketing. We also need to create greater demand for Hawaii products and forge partnerships with large institutional buyers, such as the military. For example, we can work with the Hawaii Coffee Association and determine whether building a freeze-dried coffee processing plant would open up new opportunities to sell Hawaii's coffee to military bases -- here and abroad.

"Turning to the management and personnel policies of government, the state administration has moved civil service reform to the top of its legislative agenda and we should keep an open mind on most of the items in the 'Governor's Civil Service Reform Agenda.' I would be less than candid if I were not to declare, here and now, my opposition to the proposal to eliminate binding arbitration for public employee unions and 'go back to giving the unions the right to strike.'

"My goal has always been to ensure the continuation of government services regardless of the nature or duration of labor disputes. I first worked with the fire fighters and then the police officers, and both agreed that the public interest required relinquishing the right to strike and accept, instead, binding arbitration. Other unions followed. Now, we are being asked to return to an earlier time and expose ourselves to government strikes and the disruption of services. Be warned. I oppose strikes by public employees when binding arbitration is available to settle disputes.

"I also believe that while the personnel system should include incentives to improve performance by employees and managers, there must be a means to hold managers accountable for their operations. That is why I am proposing that the State Auditor conduct managerial accountability audits to determine how well managers in the executive departments and the judiciary are performing.

"While most government employees are hardworking and competent, management and the public unions need to refine the process to quickly take corrective action, or if necessary,

expedite the removal of managers and employees that fall below established job performance standards.

"While government efficiency and accountability, service to the public, and fairness will guide our decisions on civil service reform, let us improve the conduct of our own legislative affairs. Session after session we drown ourselves in a sea of paper -- thousands of bills, many of which will never be read again. It is time to impose a strict limitation on the introduction of bills. I am proposing a statutory requirement for both houses to limit the number of bills each member can introduce, and I am calling for quick action on this issue.

"I would now like to devote my remaining remarks to an urgent issue in public education. For as long as I've been in the Legislature, our most enduring -- but elusive -- goal has been the attainment of a quality public school system. Over the years, programs in the name of educational reform have come, and most of them have gone. Few reforms have shown results, and it is too early to tell what impact the more recent innovations, such as charter schools, will have on student achievement.

"When the present State Superintendent of Education came on board, he proposed that the Hawaii public school system join the nationwide reform movement which proposes that rigorous and specific standards be set for educational content as well as student performance. The premise is that strict standards will bring about higher achievement and greater accountability.

"Our Legislature has backed the Superintendent's initiative, and I personally support it. Standards based education is now the centerpiece of the effort to improve Hawaii's public schools. Therefore, it is critical for us to know whether the Hawaii effort is on track.

"The Fordham Foundation conducts a continuing study on the development of educational standards by the states. The report on Hawaii is alarming. If we are to believe the results, the overall grade for Hawaii is 'D-minus,' ranking Hawaii number 44 in its standards for English, History, Geography, Science and Math.

"As legislators, what are we to make of this? The alarm bells have sounded, and the issues are too urgent and the stakes too high for us to ignore. Therefore, I am recommending that the State Auditor review and assess DOE's development of educational standards to ensure they meet national standards for competency in the basic educational skills and report her findings to the Legislature.

"In addition, I propose to include the remaining legislative service agencies in educational reform. With the concurrence of the House of Representatives, our legislative service agencies can help us lay the groundwork to fully understand and possibly implement a controversial concept aimed at improving the educational system.

"Twenty-four years ago, I had a radical idea that in order to improve the public school system in Hawaii, competition amongst the schools would have to be introduced. This became the basis of my philosophy for advocating school choice.

"We must first have an understanding as to why families seek geographic exceptions and choose to enroll their children in specific schools outside their neighborhoods. I am requesting that the Office of the Ombudsman be the repository for requests for geographic exceptions and to report to the Legislature basic information relating to shifts in enrollment and why.

"I am also requesting that the Legislative Reference Bureau design a school choice system that encourages and enables competition to occur among schools for both resources and students. This system would allow families other options

besides charter schools. This system could make the school-community-based management movement more meaningful, and schools could configure themselves to attract students and families.

"Radical concepts have little chance of passing within the next sixty days, but I intend to open a full discussion on these issues with hopes of continuing dialogue and action in the coming year. We owe our children nothing less.

"So, from simple and clear-cut issues, like fireworks, to far-reaching and complex matters, like educational standards and school choice, let us quickly come to grips with the issues and move forward.

"Senators, let us work together to make this a very productive session.

"Mahalo and aloha!"

Senator Anderson, Minority Leader of the Senate, then responded as follows:

"Mr. President, distinguished guests, colleagues, family and friends, people of Hawaii -- Aloha.

"Today is a very historic landmark in our legislative history. It is the first legislative day of the twenty-first century. It is also the first legislative day in the new millennium for our colleagues here. I hope that we will have a fresh start.

"Let us not dwell on the past failures, but move forward with not just a vision and dreams, but with plans and priorities and, most of all, the courage to act on them. We cannot and we must not just react or procrastinate on issues; we must set a course of action that makes for drastic change for both financial stability and growth. Only then will we have a prosperous future.

"There is little that I can disagree with that the President has said. But the only way to make this happen is with strong effective leadership -- leadership that can make decisions based on principles and facts, not on friendships and party lines. Our leaders must be willing to meet challenges head on.

"My fellow colleagues, the people of Hawaii are counting on us to lead them into the next century. You and I, their elected officials, have failed in the past to provide true reform. We have failed to make the tough decisions that we know were based on what was right for all of the people of Hawaii. Many of those decisions were made right here in this chamber, but they were not based on what was right and what was good for the people, but what was good for the Democratic Party or individuals running for re-election. This happens every two, four and six years, and those are election years . . . depending on the kinds of legislation that we pass. This is fact, not fiction, ladies and gentlemen.

"The administration and the Majority leaders, because of recent Council of Revenues' reports, have stated that our economy has turned around. Things are going to go back to normal -- at least that is what the Majority is saying in our different committee meetings. However, the Council's report (and I checked) is based on indicators of economic improvements that are very small. After reviewing the recovery figures, it is also based on the payroll lag, user fees deposited into the general funds, and selling of lands and homes beneath the regular cost that the people want to sell them for. Also, holiday spending is in there.

"Look around you. Talk to the people who are unemployed. How about the stores you used to frequent that are now closed. We have bankruptcies and foreclosures that far exceed what they should. This is the real Hawaii and it's going to take creativity, imagination and priorities that are well planned out,

but most of all it will take decisive action from us right here in the Legislature to bring economic stability to Hawaii.

"All 25 of us will introduce legislation this year and most of it, I expect, will be good legislation -- thoughtful and beneficial to the people of Hawaii. Unfortunately, if things continue as in the past century, many of the good bills will not be heard -- some of it because of partisan discrimination and others maybe because the Democrats have fallen out of step with the leaders in the Democratic Party and consequently they are closed out.

"Senator Slom and I honestly believe that many of the bills that we are introducing this year, either as a Senate package or as individuals, are critical and will be good for economic stimulation. Some of the solutions to help improve our state's economy include:

- Helping small business, the backbone of our communities;
- More tax relief such as removing the general excise tax (GET) from food and over-the-counter drugs;
- Utilizing state lands -- the people's lands;
- Encouraging more diversified agriculture and forestry;
- Promoting ecotourism;
- Cultural parks that work with all communities and all of the ethnic Chambers of Commerce; build large ethnic parks, primarily on the neighbor islands working with the Japanese Chamber, the Chinese Chamber, the Portuguese, the Hawaiians, the Filipinos, every Chamber of Commerce. This would put all the businesses to work -- architects, construction, landscape, restaurants, just to name a few. We could be a better attraction than anywhere else in the Pacific Rim if we do something like this. And when it's completed, we could then take our children. The educators could take them and let them see how all of the ethnic people, each one, lives. If we are the 'melting pot,' why not bring our children up to understand all of the cultures.

"These are just a few solutions to help improve our state and our economy. This year, the Senate Minority will continue to push for a unicameral legislature, and as I said before, the bill that we have introduced is only for 51 members. That means it's going to be cost effective. That means less bills. That means that your department heads and all of the people that work in their departments don't have to spend a lot of time hanging off the rails here waiting for one committee after the other, and this state comes to a complete stop. It's an important bill, but it will never work unless we have dialogue and unless the bill is heard.

"Hawaii is one of only two states that doesn't have some type of legalized gaming, and I am going to propose that again this year. When I brought it up, everybody said, 'It's the wrong year, Whitney. It's an election year. The people will be upset.' Well let me tell you, ladies and gentlemen, that bill will have a referendum and it took us 20 years to find it. It was last used in 1934. It's an advisory referendum. It allows you, the people, to vote. We don't want to hear what each legislator feels or doesn't feel because that's not fair to the people of Hawaii. So we will be introducing the bill, and I'm hoping that it will have a hearing. We're also going to have in that bill a provision that allows support to problem gamblers. We're also going to have a cap on winnings -- we don't want to make millionaires out of everybody. We'd like to have a lot of prizes so that everybody benefits.

"People of our state can't afford continuous tax and fee increases. I want to hear what the people have to say, not just what the members of this good Legislature think about legalized gaming as a potential source of much needed and significant revenue to our state. And if you, the people, are truly in favor of any types of gaming, we must listen to you. Our elected representatives must follow the wishes of their constituents, not just the special interest groups who come flocking to us telling us why gaming is wrong. If we open our

minds to the possibility of gaming in Hawaii, we will have a viable solution to the never ending need for general funds.

"Some might say, 'Why don't you take your own advice. You didn't listen last year when your constituents talked to you.' My vote was a vote resulting from years of working with someone. It could not be compiled into a document that I could fax, such as the gaming bill or any other document that you might wish.

"These same issues and concerns that I repeatedly voiced are now before the courts because the Attorney General's Office sat on them in an investigation from 1992 to 1997 until the governor finally felt it politically expedient to act and it was purposely timed for maximum political benefit. These and other issues that I have spoken on are now costing you and me valuable tax dollars that could have been spent elsewhere.

"We must take action to reform our collective bargaining laws. I believe that unions are needed and necessary, but when it comes to bargaining, it should not be for across-the-board raises. Why should those who are good union people that work hard not get the raise that they deserve and someone that just leans on the shovel gets the same amount. But when it comes to medical, retirement, insurance, those types of collective bargaining issues, I believe that this is what the union should do and make it a necessary type of raise that they get. But ladies and gentlemen, the cost is just rising and we cannot afford everybody to get the same wage.

"Because the general funds are low, the administration is again asking us to look at legislation to divert monies from the employees' retirement fund for investment in high risk ventures. Let me be absolutely clear, Senator Slom and I are opposed to this type of legislation. There is already enabling legislation that allows the board to go ahead and make these decisions if they so desire.

"This session, we must consider where to build a new prison. We can no longer delay, and as you well know, our prisons are well overcrowded. It is poor economic planning, to say the least, to even consider a mainland option. A new prison should be built here at home; it will help our economy. Twenty-five short years from now, if we go ahead and build on the mainland, all we'll have left is an expired lease. Building here in Hawaii means we'll have the building and the infrastructure right here in our islands.

"Mr. President, I want to say that I am very proud of my ancestry -- Portuguese, Hawaiian, Norwegian, English, Irish and Scotch. But Mr. President, as I stand here today, I am the only member left of Hawaiian ancestry. Yes, there are other single ethnic groups, but it was the Hawaiians who said, 'Hui, E Komo Mai.' And what has happened? Our colleagues in both houses, as well as other individuals, believe that we have too many Hawaiian programs. Well let me tell you, they're not funded, and even worse, over the years we have gotten rid of a lot of them. They've been completely eliminated.

"We need everyone's help to protect these programs. We must, once and for all, address the native Hawaiian rights claims. The current executive leadership has continually denied or tried to undermine claims and settlements to avoid fiscal responsibility to the Hawaiian people. For example, a recent auditor's report noted that the Department of Land and Natural Resources and the Department of Hawaiian Homes still fail to give adequate attention to the revenue entitlement for sugar cane lands and water leases.

"Don't let leadership fool you when they offer a song and dance that native Hawaiian claims are responsible for the economic state that we're now in. We must let everyone know that the government of Hawaii has the fiduciary duty to native Hawaiians to process the Hawaiian individual claims in a timely manner, complete an inventory of our lands, and to follow through as the administration's act so provided.

"Disputes over ceded lands is nothing new to the Hawaiian community. Land has always had a deep symbolic meaning. In the apology resolution from Congress it was noted that the health and welfare of the native Hawaiians are tied deep to the feelings and attachment to their lands.

"Mr. President, my family home has been on the windward side for the past 54 years. The plantation in Waimanalo was running when we first moved there. I quit an English standard school to graduate from Waimanalo Intermediate. But I have taught my children and grandchildren to respect the past, to live in the present, and to prepare for the future.

"In conclusion, Mr. President, I have been told many times, 'Whitney, just don't make waves.' But without waves, Mr. President, all our people would have never been able to surf. (Laughter.) The bigger the waves, the better the competition. This leads me to believe that those that don't want us to make waves really don't believe in competition.

"Mr. President, the Senate Republicans, both of us, (laughter) will continue to make waves not only this session, but well into the new century and millennium.

"Mahalo nui loa. Malama pono. A hui hou."

At 10:51 o'clock a.m., the Senate stood in recess subject to the call of the Chair. The members of the Senate and their guests were then entertained by the "Four Divas" and the "Society of Seven."

The Senate reconvened at 11:57 o'clock a.m.

The President thanked the ladies of the "Four Divas" and the gentlemen of the "Society of Seven" for their performances during the recess and Richard China for handling the sound system.

INTRODUCTION OF SENATE BILLS

On motion by Senator Chun, seconded by Senator Slom and carried, the following bills passed First Reading by title and were referred to committees:

Senate Bill

No. 2001 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COUNTY TORT LIABILITY."

Introduced by: Senator Inouye.

Referred to: Jointly to the Committee on Transportation and Intergovernmental Affairs and the Committee on Economic Development, then to the Committee on Judiciary.

No. 2002 "A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT."

Introduced by: Senator Inouye.

Referred to: Committee on Economic Development, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

No. 2003 "A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO MATCH FEDERAL FUNDS FOR THE ESTABLISHMENT OF MANUFACTURING EXTENSION PROGRAMS."

Introduced by: Senator Inouye.

Referred to: Committee on Economic Development, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

No. 2004 "A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR PINEAPPLE RESEARCH."

Introduced by: Senator Inouye.

Referred to: Committee on Economic Development, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

No. 2005 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC LANDS."

Introduced by: Senator Inouye.

Referred to: Jointly to the Committee on Water, Land, and Hawaiian Affairs and the Committee on Economic Development, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

No. 2006 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE CONVENTION CENTER."

Introduced by: Senator Inouye.

Referred to: Committee on Economic Development, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

No. 2007 "A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH."

Introduced by: Senator Inouye.

Referred to: Committee on Economic Development, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

No. 2008 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURE."

Introduced by: Senator Inouye.

Referred to: Committee on Economic Development, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

No. 2009 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE JUNIOR RESERVE OFFICERS' TRAINING CORPS."

Introduced by: Senator Matsuura.

Referred to: Committee on Education and Technology, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

No. 2010 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CONSENT OF PARENTS AND GUARDIANS."

Introduced by: Senator Matsuura.

Referred to: Committee on Health and Human Services, then to the Committee on Judiciary.

No. 2011 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO RIGHTS OF PARENTS AND GUARDIANS."

Introduced by: Senator Matsuura.

Referred to: Committee on Health and Human Services, then to the Committee on Judiciary.

No. 2012 "A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR VETERANS CEMETERIES."

Introduced by: Senator Matsuura.

Referred to: Committee on Transportation and Intergovernmental Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

No. 2013 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO VETERANS."

Introduced by: Senator Matsuura.

Referred to: Committee on Transportation and Intergovernmental Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

No. 2014 "A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR CONSULTING AND MARKETING SERVICES FOR NEW TENANTS AT UNIVERSITY PARK."

Introduced by: Senator Matsuura.

Referred to: Committee on Education and Technology, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

No. 2015 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SURVEYING."

Introduced by: Senator Tam.

Referred to: Jointly to the Committee on Transportation and Intergovernmental Affairs and the Committee on Government Operations and Housing, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

No. 2016 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF A MULTI-PURPOSE SPORTS COMPLEX AND WORLD TRADE CENTER."

Introduced by: Senator Tam.

Referred to: Committee on Economic Development, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

No. 2017 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ARTIFICIAL TURF."

Introduced by: Senator Tam.

Referred to: Jointly to the Committee on Education and Technology and the Committee on Economic Development, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

No. 2018 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLE INSURANCE."

Introduced by: Senator Tam.

Referred to: Committee on Transportation and Intergovernmental Affairs, then to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection.

No. 2019 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS FOR THE BENEFIT OF ALL REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICTS IN THE STATE."

Introduced by: Senator Tam.

Referred to: Committee on Ways and Means.

No. 2020 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO KAKAAKO."

Introduced by: Senator Tam.

Referred to: Jointly to the Committee on Water, Land, and Hawaiian Affairs and the Committee on Transportation and Intergovernmental Affairs, then to Committee on Ways and Means.

No. 2021 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HOUSING."

Introduced by: Senator Tam.

Referred to: Committee on Government Operations and Housing, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

No. 2022 "A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE AGRICULTURAL LOAN PROGRAM."

Introduced by: Senator Tam.

Referred to: Committee on Economic Development, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

No. 2023 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LONG-TERM CARE."

Introduced by: Senator Chun Oakland.

Referred to: Jointly to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection and the Committee on Health and Human Services, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

No. 2024 "A BILL FOR AN ACT MEDICAL RESEARCH ON CANCER STUDIES."

Introduced by: Senator Chun Oakland.

Referred to: Committee on Health and Human Services.

No. 2025 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PAROLE."

Introduced by: Senator Chun Oakland.

Referred to: Committee on Judiciary, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

No. 2026 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DOMESTIC ABUSE PROTECTIVE ORDERS."

Introduced by: Senator Chun Oakland.

Referred to: Committee on Judiciary.

No. 2027 "A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR DENTAL SERVICES FOR ADULTS."

Introduced by: Senator Chun Oakland.

Referred to: Committee on Health and Human Services, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

No. 2028 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COUNTIES."

Introduced by: Senator Chun Oakland.

Referred to: Jointly to the Committee on Transportation and Intergovernmental Affairs and the Committee on Judiciary, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

No. 2029 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO QUARANTINE."

Introduced by: Senator Chun Oakland.

Referred to: Jointly to the Committee on Economic Development and the Committee on Health and Human Services, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

No. 2030 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH CARE."

Introduced by: Senator Chun Oakland.

Referred to: Committee on Health and Human Services, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

No. 2031 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO BICYCLES."

Introduced by: Senators Buen, Kawamoto.

Referred to: Committee on Transportation and Intergovernmental Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

No. 2032 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM."

Introduced by: Senator Matsuura.

Referred to: Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

No. 2033 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC LANDS."

Introduced by: Senator Matsuura.

Referred to: Jointly to the Committee on Water, Land, and Hawaiian Affairs and the Committee on Economic Development, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

No. 2034 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE INCOME TAX CREDIT FOR CHILD AND DEPENDENT CARE EXPENSES."

Introduced by: Senator Tam.

Referred to: Committee on Health and Human Services, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

No. 2035 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FIREARMS."

Introduced by: Senator Tam.

Referred to: Committee on Judiciary.

No. 2036 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TRAFFIC SAFETY."

Introduced by: Senator Tam.

Referred to: Committee on Transportation and Intergovernmental Affairs, then to the Committee on Judiciary.

No. 2037 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LIBRARIES."

Introduced by: Senator Tam.

Referred to: Committee on Education and Technology, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

No. 2038 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LEGISLATIVE FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENTS."

Introduced by: Senator Slom.

Referred to: Committee on Ways and Means.

No. 2039 "A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR MEDICINE BANK."

Introduced by: Senator Chun Oakland.

Referred to: Committee on Health and Human Services, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

No. 2040 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES."

Introduced by: Senator Chun Oakland.

Referred to: Committee on Health and Human Services, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions (S.C.R. Nos. 1 to 6) were read by the Clerk and were adopted or deferred:

Senate Concurrent Resolution

No. 1 "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE CHIEF JUSTICE OF THE HAWAII SUPREME COURT TO ADDRESS THE LEGISLATURE ASSEMBLED IN JOINT SESSION FOR THE STATE OF THE JUDICIARY ADDRESS."

Offered by: Senators Ihara, Anderson.

On motion by Senator Matsunaga, seconded by Senator Chumbley and carried, S.C.R. No. 1 was adopted.

No. 2 "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO ACQUIRE KAWAEWAE HEIAU IN KANEOHE, OAHU."

Offered by: Senator Nakata.

No. 3 "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF A SYSTEM TO IDENTIFY AND PROVIDE SERVICES AND SUPPORT FOR CHILDREN OF INCARCERATED PARENTS."

Offered by: Senators Chun Oakland, Fukunaga, Buen, Matsunaga, Chumbley, Kanno, Nakata, Ihara.

No. 4 "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION SUPPORTING CONTINUED FUNDING OF HAWAII HEALTHY START WITH GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS."

Offered by: Senators Chun Oakland, Fukunaga, Buen, Taniguchi, Chumbley, Kanno, Nakata, Ihara.

No. 5 "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE DEVELOPMENT OF PROTOCOLS AND THE SPECIAL TRAINING OF PARAMEDICS IN THE TREATMENT OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PATIENTS."

Offered by: Senators Chun Oakland, Fukunaga, Hanabusa, Buen, Matsunaga, Chumbley, Kanno, Nakata, Ihara, Taniguchi.

No. 6 "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COURT."

Offered by: Senators Chun Oakland, Fukunaga, Hanabusa, Buen, Matsunaga, Chumbley, Kanno, Nakata, Ihara, Taniguchi.

SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following resolutions (S.R. Nos. 1 to 4) were read by the Clerk and were deferred:

Senate Resolution

No. 1 "SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO ACQUIRE KAWAEWAE HEIAU IN KANEOHE, OAHU."

Offered by: Senator Nakata.

No. 2 "SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEVELOPMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF A SYSTEM TO IDENTIFY AND PROVIDE SERVICES AND SUPPORT FOR CHILDREN OF INCARCERATED PARENTS."

Offered by: Senators Chun Oakland, Buen, Matsunaga, Chumbley, Kanno.

No. 3 "SENATE RESOLUTION SUPPORTING CONTINUED FUNDING OF HAWAII HEALTHY START WITH GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS."

Offered by: Senators Chun Oakland, Fukunaga, Buen, Chumbley, Kanno.

No. 4 "SENATE RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COURT."

Offered by: Senators Chun Oakland, Matsunaga, Kanno, Ihara.

At this time, the President directed the Senate Clerk to return to respective committees all 1999 bills that were returned to the Clerk's desk after the Regular Session of 1999.

INTRODUCTION OF SENATE BILLS

On motion by Senator Chun, seconded by Senator Slom and carried unanimously, the Clerk was authorized to receive bills for introduction prior to 4:30 o'clock p.m. In consequence thereof and subsequent to its recessing at 11:59 o'clock a.m., the following bills passed First Reading by title and were deferred:

Senate Bill

No. 2041 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTRONIC COMMERCE."

Introduced by: Senators Ige, D., Fukunaga.

No. 2042 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SCHOOL RECORDS."

Introduced by: Senator Ige, D.

No. 2043 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO BODY PIERCING."

Introduced by: Senator Ige, D.

No. 2044 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE CONFISCATION OF FIREARMS."

Introduced by: Senator Ige, D., by request.

No. 2045 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EARLY RETIREMENT."

Introduced by: Senator Ige, D., by request.

No. 2046 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SALARY PERIODS."

Introduced by: Senator Tam.

No. 2047 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION."

Introduced by: Senator Anderson.

No. 2048 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CIVIL IDENTIFICATION."

Introduced by: Senator Nakata, by request.

No. 2049 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE INCOME TAX."

Introduced by: Senators Nakata, Taniguchi.

No. 2050 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION."

Introduced by: Senator Nakata, by request.

No. 2051 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION."

Introduced by: Senators Nakata, Chun Oakland.

No. 2052 "A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR TRAINING."

Introduced by: Senators Nakata, Chun, Hanabusa, Levin, Taniguchi.

No. 2053 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO KANEOHE BAY."

Introduced by: Senator Nakata.

No. 2054 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SPECIAL MANAGEMENT AREAS."

Introduced by: Senators Nakata, Hanabusa, Kawamoto, Taniguchi.

No. 2055 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO NET ENERGY METERING."

Introduced by: Senators Nakata, Fukunaga, Hanabusa, Kanno, Taniguchi.

No. 2056 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO INDIVIDUAL DEVELOPMENT ACCOUNT CONTRIBUTION TAX CREDITS."

Introduced by: Senators Chun Oakland, Fukunaga, Hanabusa, Buen, Matsunaga, Chumbley, Kanno, Nakata, Ihara, Taniguchi.

No. 2057 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LIVING WAGES."

Introduced by: Senators Chun Oakland, Fukunaga, Hanabusa, Buen, Chumbley, Kanno, Nakata, Ihara, Taniguchi.

No. 2058 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO INCOME TAX CREDITS."

Introduced by: Senators Chun Oakland, Fukunaga, Hanabusa, Buen, Matsunaga, Chumbley, Kanno, Nakata, Ihara, Taniguchi.

No. 2059 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO WELFARE REFORM."

Introduced by: Senators Fukunaga, Chun Oakland, Hanabusa, Buen, Matsunaga, Chumbley, Kanno, Nakata, Ihara, Taniguchi.

No. 2060 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EMPLOYMENT DISCRIMINATION."

Introduced by: Senators Chun Oakland, Fukunaga, Hanabusa, Buen, Matsunaga, Chumbley, Kanno, Nakata, Ihara, Taniguchi.

No. 2061 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES AND EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES."

Introduced by: Senators Chun Oakland, Fukunaga, Hanabusa, Buen, Matsunaga, Chumbley, Kanno, Nakata, Ihara, Taniguchi.

No. 2062 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LONG-TERM CARE."

Introduced by: Senators Chun Oakland, Fukunaga, Hanabusa, Matsunaga, Chumbley, Kanno, Nakata, Ihara, Taniguchi.

No. 2063 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD CHECKS."

Introduced by: Senators Chun Oakland, Fukunaga, Hanabusa, Buen, Matsunaga, Chumbley, Kanno, Nakata, Ihara.

No. 2064 "A BILL FOR AN ACT REPEALING SECTION 327E-13(G), HAWAII REVISED STATUTES."

Introduced by: Senators Chun Oakland, Fukunaga, Hanabusa, Buen, Matsunaga, Chumbley, Kanno, Nakata, Ihara, Taniguchi.

No. 2065 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ABUSE OF FAMILY OR HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS."

Introduced by: Senators Chun Oakland, Fukunaga, Hanabusa, Buen, Matsunaga, Chumbley, Kanno, Nakata, Ihara, Taniguchi.

No. 2066 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DOMESTIC ABUSE PROTECTIVE ORDERS."

Introduced by: Senators Chun Oakland, Fukunaga, Hanabusa, Buen, Matsunaga, Chumbley, Kanno, Nakata, Ihara, Taniguchi.

No. 2067 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AWARDING CUSTODY AND VISITATION."

Introduced by: Senators Chun Oakland, Fukunaga, Hanabusa, Buen, Matsunaga, Kanno, Nakata, Ihara, Taniguchi.

No. 2068 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO RIGHTS OF VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE."

Introduced by: Senators Chun Oakland, Fukunaga, Hanabusa, Buen, Chumbley, Kanno, Nakata, Ihara, Taniguchi.

No. 2069 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PROBATION."

Introduced by: Senators Chun Oakland, Fukunaga, Hanabusa, Buen, Matsunaga, Chumbley, Kanno, Nakata, Ihara, Taniguchi.

No. 2070 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FIREARMS."

Introduced by: Senators Chun Oakland, Fukunaga, Hanabusa, Kanno, Nakata, Ihara, Taniguchi.

No. 2071 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE."

Introduced by: Senators Chun Oakland, Fukunaga, Hanabusa, Buen, Matsunaga, Chumbley, Kanno, Nakata, Ihara, Taniguchi.

No. 2072 "A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF PROTOCOLS AND THE SPECIAL TRAINING OF PARAMEDICS IN THE TREATMENT OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PATIENTS."

Introduced by: Senators Chun Oakland, Fukunaga, Hanabusa, Buen, Matsunaga, Chumbley, Kanno, Nakata, Ihara, Taniguchi.

No. 2073 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CRIME."

Introduced by: Senators Chun Oakland, Fukunaga, Hanabusa, Buen, Matsunaga, Chumbley, Kanno, Nakata, Ihara.

No. 2074 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CORRECTIONS."

Introduced by: Senators Chun Oakland, Fukunaga, Buen, Kanno, Nakata, Ihara.

No. 2075 "A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE GOOD BEGINNINGS ALLIANCE."

Introduced by: Senators Chun Oakland, Fukunaga, Buen, Matsunaga, Kanno, Nakata, Taniguchi, Ihara.

No. 2076 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COMMERCIAL SEXUAL EXPLOITATION OF A MINOR."

Introduced by: Senators Chun Oakland, Fukunaga, Matsunaga, Chumbley, Kanno, Nakata, Ihara, Taniguchi.

No. 2077 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SEX OFFENDERS."

Introduced by: Senators Chun Oakland, Fukunaga, Hanabusa, Chumbley, Matsunaga, Kanno, Nakata, Ihara, Taniguchi.

No. 2078 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE USE OF FORCE IN SELF-PROTECTION."

Introduced by: Senators Chun Oakland, Fukunaga, Hanabusa, Buen, Chumbley, Kanno, Nakata, Ihara.

No. 2079 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO USE OF FORCE."

Introduced by: Senators Chun Oakland, Fukunaga, Chumbley, Kanno, Nakata, Ihara.

No. 2080 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO STALKING."

Introduced by: Senators Chun Oakland, Fukunaga, Hanabusa, Matsunaga, Kanno, Nakata, Ihara, Taniguchi.

No. 2081 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE."

Introduced by: Senators Chun Oakland, Fukunaga, Hanabusa, Buen, Matsunaga, Chumbley, Kanno, Nakata, Ihara, Taniguchi.

No. 2082 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE."

Introduced by: Senators Chun Oakland, Fukunaga, Hanabusa, Buen, Matsunaga, Chumbley, Kanno, Nakata, Ihara, Taniguchi.

No. 2083 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION."

Introduced by: Senator Chun Oakland.

No. 2084 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PROCUREMENT."

Introduced by: Senator Chun Oakland.

No. 2085 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY."

Introduced by: Senator Chun Oakland.

No. 2086 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY."

Introduced by: Senator Chun Oakland.

No. 2087 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY."

Introduced by: Senator Chun Oakland.

No. 2088 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SHORT-TERM INVESTMENT OF STATE MONEYS."

Introduced by: Senators Fukunaga, Levin.

No. 2089 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CORPORATE INCOME TAX."

Introduced by: Senator Slom.

No. 2090 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PENAL RESPONSIBILITY."

Introduced by: Senator Slom.

No. 2091 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FLUORIDATION OF HAWAII'S WATER SUPPLY."

Introduced by: Senator Slom.

No. 2092 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PERIODIC MOTOR VEHICLE INSPECTION."

Introduced by: Senator Slom.

No. 2093 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO VETERANS RIGHTS AND BENEFITS."

Introduced by: Senators Kawamoto, Bunda.

No. 2094 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE."

Introduced by: Senators Kawamoto, Ige, D., Kanno, Sakamoto, Tam.

No. 2095 "A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO ADDRESS THE \$260,000,000 BACKLOG IN REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE PROJECTS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION."

Introduced by: Senators Kawamoto, Fukunaga, Ige, D.,
Levin, Sakamoto.

No. 2096 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR
VEHICLE DRIVER LICENSING."

Introduced by: Senators Kawamoto, Buen, Bunda, Chun
Oakland.

No. 2097 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE
GENERAL EXCISE TAX."

Introduced by: Senator Slom.

No. 2098 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO
FRAUDULENT CLAIMS AGAINST THE STATE."

Introduced by: Senator Slom.

No. 2099 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PLANT
AND NON-DOMESTIC ANIMAL QUARANTINE."

Introduced by: Senator Slom.

No. 2100 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO
PARKING STRUCTURES."

Introduced by: Senator Tam.

No. 2101 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO
ESTABLISHING A COMPREHENSIVE MASTERPLAN
FOR OAHU'S WATERFRONT AND RESTORATION OF
THE EXISTING HISTORIC STREET-LEVEL IRWIN
MEMORIAL PARK."

Introduced by: Senator Tam.

No. 2102 "A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN
APPROPRIATION FOR HAWAIIAN STUDIES PROGRAM
POSITIONS."

Introduced by: Senator Tam.

No. 2103 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO
TAXATION."

Introduced by: Senator Tam.

No. 2104 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO
FINANCING OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING."

Introduced by: Senator Tam.

No. 2105 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LOW
INCOME HOUSING MORTGAGES."

Introduced by: Senator Tam.

No. 2106 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO
FEDERAL FUNDING."

Introduced by: Senator Tam.

No. 2107 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO
MEDICAL INSURANCE COVERAGE."

Introduced by: Senator Tam.

ADJOURNMENT

At 4:30 o'clock p.m., the Senate adjourned until 11:30
o'clock a.m., Thursday, January 20, 2000.