FORTY-FIRST DAY

Wednesday, March 29, 2000

The Senate of the Twentieth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2000, convened at 11:36 o'clock a.m. with the President in the Chair.

The Divine Blessing was invoked by Pastor Derald Skinner, Calvary Chapel, Pearl Harbor, after which the Roll was called showing all Senators present with the exception of Senators Bunda, Inouye and Iwase who were excused.

The President announced that he had read and approved the Journal of the Fortieth Day.

At this time, the following student shadows were introduced to the members of the Senate:

Senator Buen, on behalf of Senator Anderson, introduced Rae Ann Pagatpatan from Baldwin High School;

Senator Tam introduced Ian Eguchi from McKinley High School;

Senator Slom introduced Kaellen Bursey and Wendy Kawakami from Niu Valley Middle School;

Senator Kawamoto, on behalf of Senator Bunda, introduced Litasha Johnson from Waialua High and Intermediate School:

Senator Ihara introduced Ashley Celesky from King Kekaulike School and Annie Lee from Waiakea High School:

Senator Matsuura introduced Joel Samuels from Hilo High School, and his daughter, Joy Matsuura, from Hilo Union Elementary School;

Senator Kanno introduced Latanya Adachi-Chandler and Robin Gealon from Campbell High School;

Senator Chun Oakland introduced Sandy Talioaga from Kalakaua Middle School; and

Senator Sakamoto, on behalf of Senator Iwase, introduced Shameice Logan from Leilehua High School.

Senator Sakamoto then acknowledged the role of the members of District 50 Lions Hawaii and Lions Clubs International in hosting the 83rd Annual Lions Clubs International Convention in Honolulu, and introduced the following individuals: Mel Nakamura, past district governor and chairman of the 2000 Lions Club Convention Host Committee in Hawaii; Roy Aoki, vice district governor; Alan S. Hayashi, executive director of the Convention Authority; Tony S. Vericella, president and CEO of the Hawaii Visitors and Convention Bureau (HVCB); Sandra-Butler Moreno, HVCB vice president of meetings, conventions and incentives; and H. Lorrie Campbell, HVCB senior director of national accounts and citywide conventions.

At 11:57 o'clock a.m., the Senate stood in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

The Senate reconvened at 12:03 o'clock p.m.

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR

The following messages from the Governor (Gov. Msg. Nos. 256 to 259) were read by the Clerk and were placed on file:

Gov. Msg. No. 256, dated March 10, 2000, transmitting an addendum to a report prepared by the Office of Youth Services regarding H.C.R. No. 63 (1999).

Gov. Msg. No. 257, dated March 8, 2000, transmitting a report prepared by the Department of Health pursuant to Act 41, SLH 1992, establishing the Primary Health Care Incentive Program and the Primary Care Roundtable.

Gov. Msg. No. 258, dated March 15, 2000, transmitting the 1999 State Certified Arbitration Program (SCAP) Report.

Gov. Msg. No. 259, dated March 17, 2000, transmitting the Department of Defense Annual Report for Fiscal Year 1999, pursuant to Section 121-10, HRS.

DEPARTMENTAL COMMUNICATION

Dept. Com. No. 30, from the State Auditor dated March 23, 2000, transmitting a report, "Management Audit of the Highways Division of the Department of Transportation," (Report No. 00-09), was read by the Clerk and was placed on file.

HOUSE COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications from the House (Hse. Com. Nos. 402 to 404) were read by the Clerk and were disposed of as follows:

Hse. Com. No. 402, returning S.B. No. 2769, which passed Third Reading in the House of Representatives on March 28, 2000, in an amended form, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, action on S.B. No. 2769, H.D. I, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO REDUCING GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS," was deferred until Thursday, March 30, 2000.

Hse. Com. No. 403, returning S.B. No. 2885, which passed Third Reading in the House of Representatives on March 28, 2000, was placed on file.

Hse. Com. No. 404, transmitting H.C.R. No. 126, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on March 28, 2000, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 126, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE IMPORTANCE OF THE GOLF INDUSTRY IN HAWAII AND DESIGNATING THE EWAPLAINS/KAPOLEI REGION AS THE GOLF CAPITAL OF OAHU," was referred to the Committee on Economic Development, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

ORDER OF THE DAY

ADVISE AND CONSENT

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3030 (Gov. Msg. No. 140):

Senator D. Ige moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3030 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Sakamoto and carried.

Senator D. Ige then moved that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of JOSEPH F. BLANCO as Special Advisor for Technology Development, term to expire June 30, 2003, seconded by Senator Sakamoto.

Senator D. Ige rose in support of the nominee and said:

"Mr. President, I rise to speak on Gov. Msg. No. 140, Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3030.

"I'd like to rise to speak in support of Joseph Blanco as the Governor's Special Advisor for Technology Development. I think Joe really needs no introduction to most of the members here but I would like to talk about some of the things that he's been working on in terms of ensuring that Hawaii does have a place in the new economy.

"Joe, since being appointed in September 1999 as the Special Advisor for Technology Development, has been working to create and forge strong partnerships between public and private sectors such as creating the statewide telemedicine network in collaboration with the Harry and Jeanette Weinberg Foundation. He's also been very active with the Hawaii Technology Trade Association and, most importantly, he has been focused on helping establish new and emerging companies in Hawaii. He was part of the Axean Pacific announcement. He had a part in the development of WorldPoint, and I'm certain that there will be many more to follow.

"I would just like to urge all of my colleagues to support his nomination. Thank you."

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

Ayes, 22. Noes, none. Excused, 3 (Bunda, Inouye, Iwase).

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3031 (Gov. Msg. No. 170):

Senator D. Ige moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3031 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Sakamoto and carried.

Senator D. Ige then moved that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations to the Board of Regents, University of Hawaii, of the following:

WALTER NUNOKAWA, Ph.D., terms to expire June 30, 2000, and June 30, 2004; and

CHARLES KAWAKAMI, term to expire June 30, 2004,

seconded by Senator Sakamoto.

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

Ayes, 22. Noes, none. Excused, 3 (Bunda, Inouye, Iwase).

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3032 (Gov. Msg. No. 207):

Senator D. Ige moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3032 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Sakamoto and carried.

Senator D. Ige then moved that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of CLYDE T. KODANI to the Western Interstate Commission for Higher Education (WICHE), term to expire June 30, 2004, seconded by Senator Sakamoto.

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

Ayes, 22. Noes, none. Excused, 3 (Bunda, Inouye, Iwase).

RE-REFERRAL OF HOUSE BILLS

The Chair re-referred the following House bills that were received:

House Bill Referred to:

No. 2088, H.D. 1, S.D. 1 Committee on Government Operations and Housing, then to the Committee on Judiciary

No. 2434, H.D. 1 Committee on Ways and Means

No. 2564, H.D. 2 Committee on Ways and Means

RE-REFERRAL OF SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

The Chair re-referred the following concurrent resolutions that were offered:

Senate

Concurrent

Resolution

Referred to:

No. 34 Jointly to the Committee on Judiciary and the Committee on Education and Technology

No. 123 Jointly to the Committee on Education and Technology and the Committee on Judiciary

RE-REFERRAL OF SENATE RESOLUTION

The Chair re-referred the following resolution that was offered:

Senate

Resolution

Referred to:

No. 12 Jointly to the Committee on Judiciary and the Committee on Education and Technology

Senator Kawamoto, for the Committee on Transportation and Intergovernmental Affairs, requested a waiver pursuant to Senate Rule 20 for S.R. Nos. 61, 77 and 80, and the Chair granted the waiver.

Senator Buen, for the Committee on Economic Development, requested a waiver pursuant to Senate Rule 20 for S.R. No. 64, and the Chair granted the waiver.

Senator D. Ige, for the Committee on Education and Technology, requested a waiver pursuant to Senate Rule 20 for S.C.R. Nos. 34 and 123, and the Chair granted the waiver.

At 12:09 o'clock p.m., the Senate stood in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

The Senate reconvened at 12:10 o'clock p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

At 12:11 o'clock p.m., on motion by Senator Chun, seconded by Senator Slom and carried, the Senate adjourned until 11:30 o'clock a.m., Thursday, March 30, 2000.