

FIFTY-FIRST DAY

Friday, April 14, 2000

The Senate of the Twentieth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2000, convened at 11:35 o'clock a.m. with the President in the Chair.

The Divine Blessing was invoked by Brother Elmer Dunsy, S.M., Professor Emeritus, Chaminade University, after which the Roll was called showing all Senators present with the exception of Senators Bunda, Chun, Ihara and Tanaka who were excused.

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

At this time, the following introductions were made to the members of the Senate:

Senator Matsunaga introduced McGruff, the Crime Dog, and congratulated Hawaiian Electric Company for receiving the National McGruff Truck Recognition Award for the year 2000. Representing Hawaiian Electric Company was Chris Shirai, vice president for energy delivery.

Senator Chumbley then recognized the members of the McGruff Truck Coalition and introduced the following individuals: Bill Harkins, representing Garden Isle Telecommunications; Steve Golden, representing The Gas Company and Citizens Energy Services; Joel Matsunaga, representing GTE Hawaiian Tel; Sue Kunz, representing Hawaii Electric Light Company; Kit Beuret, representing Oceanic Cable; and Rick Keller, representing the Attorney General's Office.

Senator Sakamoto, with the assistance of Senators D. Ige, Iwase, Buen, Anderson, Matsuura, Inouye and Fukunaga, congratulated the Kamehameha Warriors Girls Varsity Volleyball Team on winning their third consecutive State Championship and introduced the following individuals: Dan Kitashima, head coach; Chris Blake, assistant coach; Erv Kau, athletic director; and team members: Uila Crabbe, team captain; Beth Nakamura; Camille Piikea Dudoit; Uluwehi Nakila; Anela laea; Cassey Hussey; Kanoelehua Marciel; Janelle Jeremiah; Kaala Hansen; Casey Castillo; Nohealani Tano; Shanelle Kuulei Kamanao; and Kealani Kimball.

Senator Tam introduced Kelvin Chun, a teacher at Nuuanu Elementary School, and congratulated him on being named the 1999 Outstanding Honolulu District Teacher of the Year and on receiving the 1999 Walt Disney American Teacher Award. Accompanying Mr. Chun was Eleanor Fukioka, principal of Nuuanu Elementary School.

Senator Tam then introduced Faye Miyamasu, a first grade teacher at Pauoa Elementary School, and congratulated her for receiving the Educators For Excellence Award for 1999 by the State Department of Education and GEICO Direct. Accompanying Mrs. Miyamasu was Ronald Spinney, former principal of Pauoa Elementary School, and his wife Karen.

At 12:02 o'clock p.m., the Senate stood in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

The Senate reconvened at 12:13 o'clock p.m.

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR

The following messages from the Governor (Gov. Msg. Nos. 294 to 311) were read by the Clerk and were disposed of as follows:

Gov. Msg. No. 294, submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Board of Acupuncture, the nominations of

JAMES K. IKEDA and TING PONG MA, terms to expire June 30, 2004, was referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection.

Gov. Msg. No. 295, submitting for consideration and confirmation to the State Boxing Commission of Hawaii, the nominations of RANDOLPH B. AHLO, GEORGE M. AMIMOTO and HERBERT S.L. CHOCK, terms to expire June 30, 2004, was referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection.

Gov. Msg. No. 296, submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Civil Defense Advisory Council, the nominations of: LINDA C. TSEU, term to expire June 30, 2001; and ALEJANDRO LOMOSAD, term to expire June 30, 2004, was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Intergovernmental Affairs.

Gov. Msg. No. 297, submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Contractors License Board, the nominations of: RAYMOND S. MORI, term to expire June 30, 2003; and ANCLETO "LITO" ALCANTRA, BRUCE KUGIYA and EARLE S. MATSUDA, terms to expire June 30, 2004, was referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection.

Gov. Msg. No. 298, submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Board of Dental Examiners, the nomination of GERALD ADACHI, D.M.D., term to expire June 30, 2001, was referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection.

Gov. Msg. No. 299, submitting for consideration and confirmation to the State Planning Council on Developmental Disabilities, the nomination of ELROY K. MALO, term to expire June 30, 2004, was referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Gov. Msg. No. 300, submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Hawaii Labor Relations Board, the nominations of BRIAN K. NAKAMURA and KATHLEEN RACUYA-MARKRICH, terms to expire June 30, 2006, was referred to the Committee on Labor and Environment.

Gov. Msg. No. 301, submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Board of Directors, Hawaii Tourism Authority, the nominations of: MILLICENT M.Y.H. KIM and PETER H. SCHALL, terms to expire June 30, 2002; and KEITH VIEIRA and RON WRIGHT, terms to expire June 30, 2004, was referred to the Committee on Economic Development.

Gov. Msg. No. 302, submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Kauai County Subarea Health Planning Council, the nomination of STANLEY G. YATES, term to expire June 30, 2003, was referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Gov. Msg. No. 303, submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Kaneohe Bay Regional Council, the nomination of RANDALL QUINONES, term to expire June 30, 2003, was referred to the Committee on Water, Land, and Hawaiian Affairs.

Gov. Msg. No. 304, submitting for consideration and confirmation to the State Council on Mental Health, the nominations of: PAULINE D. ARELLANO, VICKY M. FOLLOWELL and ALBERT HAUOLA PEREZ, terms to expire June 30, 2001; and GORDON M. BRONSON, LONIA BURROUGHS, SALLY J. CROVO, DEBRA T. FARMER, WILLIAM C. LENNOX, JR., HOWARD A. LESSER, JAMES M. MIHALKE, SHARON ROSE NOBRIGA and SHARON P.

YOKOTE, terms to expire June 30, 2004, was referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services.

Gov. Msg. No. 305, submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Motor Vehicle Repair Industry Board, the nominations of GARY Y. GIBO and RANDAL MORIFUJI, terms to expire June 30, 2004, was referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection.

Gov. Msg. No. 306, submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Board of Psychology, the nomination of ELLEN R. CARINGER, PH.D., term to expire June 30, 2004, was referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection.

Gov. Msg. No. 307, submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Stadium Authority, the nomination of T. GEORGE PARIS, term to expire June 30, 2004, was referred to the Committee on Economic Development.

Gov. Msg. No. 308, submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Board of Veterinary Examiners, the nomination of ERIC M.F.C. AKO, D.V.M., term to expire June 30, 2004, was referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection.

Gov. Msg. No. 309, submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Hawaii Workforce Development Council, the nominations of: MAMO P. CUMMINGS, term to expire June 30, 2001; NORM BAKER, EUGENE BAL III, CLAYTON W. DELA CRUZ, MORRIS A. GRAHAM, PH.D., ROCHELLE LEE GREGSON, RUTHANN QUITIQUIT, MYLES SHIBATA and RICHARD W. SMITH, terms to expire June 30, 2003; and JAMES G. WESTLAKE, term to expire June 30, 2004, was referred to the Committee on Labor and Environment.

Gov. Msg. No. 310, submitting for consideration and consent, the nomination of KARL K. SAKAMOTO to the office of Judge, 1st Division, Circuit Court of the First Circuit, in accordance with the provisions of Article VI, Section 3, of the Hawaii State Constitution, for a term of ten years, was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Gov. Msg. No. 311, submitting for consideration and consent, the nomination of SIMEON R. ACOBA, JR., to the office of Associate Justice, State Supreme Court, in accordance with the provisions of Article VI, Section 3, of the Hawaii State Constitution, for a term of ten years, was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

HOUSE COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications from the House (Hse. Com. Nos. 617 to 672) were read by the Clerk and were disposed of as follows:

Hse. Com. No. 617, informing the Senate that the House has disagreed to the amendments proposed by the Senate to the following House bills:

H.B. No. 101, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 284, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 286, H.D. 2 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 540, H.D. 2 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 564, H.D. 2 (S.D. 2);
 H.B. No. 750, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 755, H.D. 2 (S.D. 2);
 H.B. No. 1457 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 1491, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 1632, H.D. 3 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 1759, H.D. 2 (S.D. 2);
 H.B. No. 1763, H.D. 2 (S.D. 2);
 H.B. No. 1764 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 1773, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 1846, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1);

H.B. No. 1874, H.D. 1 (S.D. 2);
 H.B. No. 1881, H.D. 2 (S.D. 2);
 H.B. No. 1889, H.D. 2 (S.D. 2);
 H.B. No. 1900, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 1905, H.D. 2 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 1909, H.D. 1 (S.D. 2);
 H.B. No. 1912, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 1925 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 1933, H.D. 1 (S.D. 2);
 H.B. No. 1938, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 1939, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 1940, H.D. 2 (S.D. 2);
 H.B. No. 1944, H.D. 2 (S.D. 2);
 H.B. No. 1946, H.D. 2 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 1947, H.D. 2 (S.D. 2);
 H.B. No. 1956, H.D. 1 (S.D. 2);
 H.B. No. 1969, H.D. 2 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 1983, H.D. 1 (S.D. 2);
 H.B. No. 1984, H.D. 1 (S.D. 2);
 H.B. No. 1994, H.D. 2 (S.D. 2);
 H.B. No. 2017, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 2023, H.D. 2 (S.D. 2);
 H.B. No. 2060, H.D. 2 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 2087, H.D. 2 (S.D. 2);
 H.B. No. 2092 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 2095 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 2098, H.D. 2 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 2129, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 2151, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 2154, H.D. 2 (S.D. 2);
 H.B. No. 2160, H.D. 2 (S.D. 2);
 H.B. No. 2171, H.D. 1 (S.D. 2);
 H.B. No. 2183, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 2188, H.D. 2 (S.D. 2);
 H.B. No. 2194, H.D. 2 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 2213 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 2218, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 2222, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 2273, H.D. 2 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 2277, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 2280, H.D. 2 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 2297 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 2309, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 2311, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 2314, H.D. 1 (S.D. 2);
 H.B. No. 2354, H.D. 2 (S.D. 2);
 H.B. No. 2392, H.D. 2 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 2405, H.D. 2 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 2407, H.D. 1 (S.D. 2);
 H.B. No. 2409, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 2410, H.D. 1 (S.D. 2);
 H.B. No. 2418 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 2423 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 2425, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 2429, H.D. 2 (S.D. 2);
 H.B. No. 2434, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 2445 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 2446 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 2447 (S.D. 2);
 H.B. No. 2458 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 2468, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 2469, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 2471, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 2472, H.D. 2 (S.D. 2);
 H.B. No. 2473, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 2476, H.D. 1 (S.D. 2);
 H.B. No. 2480, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 2481, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 2483, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 2484 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 2491, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 2501, H.D. 2 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 2506, H.D. 1 (S.D. 2);
 H.B. No. 2513, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 2514 (S.D. 2);
 H.B. No. 2521 (S.D. 1);

H.B. No. 2530, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 2534, H.D. 2 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 2537 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 2539, H.D. 2 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 2542, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 2556, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 2559, H.D. 1 (S.D. 2);
 H.B. No. 2572, H.D. 1 (S.D. 2);
 H.B. No. 2573, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 2574, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 2576, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 2582, H.D. 1 (S.D. 2);
 H.B. No. 2585, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 2586 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 2588, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 2624, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 2643, H.D. 1 (S.D. 2);
 H.B. No. 2648, H.D. 2 (S.D. 2);
 H.B. No. 2650, H.D. 1 (S.D. 2);
 H.B. No. 2653, H.D. 2 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 2701, H.D. 3 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 2727, H.D. 1 (S.D. 2);
 H.B. No. 2774 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 2793, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 2797, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 2801, H.D. 2 (S.D. 2);
 H.B. No. 2802 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 2820, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 2835, H.D. 2 (S.D. 2);
 H.B. No. 2878, H.D. 2 (S.D. 2);
 H.B. No. 2901, H.D. 2 (S.D. 2);
 H.B. No. 2906, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 2955, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 2984, H.D. 2 (S.D. 2);
 H.B. No. 3014, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 3016, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1);
 H.B. No. 3018 (S.D. 1); and
 H.B. No. 3021, H.D. 1 (S.D. 1),

was placed on file.

Hse. Com. No. 618, transmitting H.C.R. No. 5, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 13, 2000, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 5, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE DEVELOPMENT OF PROTOCOLS AND THE SPECIAL TRAINING OF PARAMEDICS IN THE TREATMENT OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PATIENTS," was referred jointly to the Committee on Health and Human Services and the Committee on Transportation and Intergovernmental Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 619, transmitting H.C.R. No. 7, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 13, 2000, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 7, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE HAWAII STATE COMMISSION ON THE STATUS OF WOMEN," was referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 620, transmitting H.C.R. No. 8, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 13, 2000, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 8, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE JUDICIARY TO STUDY THE FEASIBILITY OF ESTABLISHING A DRUG COURT IN THE THIRD CIRCUIT," was referred to the Committee on Judiciary, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 621, transmitting H.C.R. No. 13, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 13, 2000, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 13, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE LEASE OF SUBMERGED LANDS AT DUKE KAHANAMOKU BEACH AT WAIKIKI, HONOLULU, OAHU, FOR PIER PURPOSES," was referred to the Committee on Water, Land, and Hawaiian Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 622, transmitting H.C.R. No. 17, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 13, 2000, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 17, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE INCORPORATION OF CRIME PREVENTION THROUGH ENVIRONMENTAL DESIGN STANDARDS IN ALL NEW AND RENOVATED BUILDINGS OF THE PUBLIC SCHOOL AND LIBRARY SYSTEMS," was referred jointly to the Committee on Government Operations and Housing and the Committee on Education and Technology, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 623, transmitting H.C.R. No. 18, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 13, 2000, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 18, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEVELOPMENT OF LEGISLATION FOR THE REGULATION OF THE PROFESSION OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANCY THAT IS CONSISTENT WITH THE STANDARDS OF THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS AND THE UNIFORM ACCOUNTANCY ACT AS RECOMMENDED BY THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF STATE BOARDS OF ACCOUNTANCY," was referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection.

Hse. Com. No. 624, transmitting H.C.R. No. 20, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 13, 2000, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 20, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE SUPPORT OF THE STATE AND COUNTY ADMINISTRATIONS TO IMPLEMENT EVENTS PLANNED BY THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY COMMEMORATION OF THE KOREAN WAR COMMISSION AND HONORING THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE KOREAN WAR," was referred jointly to the Committee on Transportation and Intergovernmental Affairs and the Committee on Education and Technology.

Hse. Com. No. 625, transmitting H.C.R. No. 24, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 13, 2000, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 24, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING A STUDY ON THE FEASIBILITY OF ESTABLISHING A HAWAII FARMER'S MARKET," was referred to the Committee on Economic Development, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 626, transmitting H.C.R. No. 31, H.D. 2, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 13, 2000, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 31, H.D. 2, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING THE STATE OF HAWAII TO ACQUIRE TWO PARCELS

OF LAND ADJACENT TO LIMAHULI STREAM ON THE ISLAND OF KAUAI FOR THE PRESERVATION OF IMPORTANT CULTURAL RESOURCES AND THEIR INCORPORATION INTO HA'ENA STATE PARK," was referred to the Committee on Water, Land, and Hawaiian Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 627, transmitting H.C.R. No. 34, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 13, 2000, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 34, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING A STUDY ON THE FEASIBILITY OF ESTABLISHING A UNIVERSAL MEDICAL FEE SCHEDULE FOR THE PREPAID HEALTH INSURANCE SYSTEM, THE MEDICAL PORTION OF THE NO-FAULT AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE SYSTEM, AND THE MEDICAL PORTION OF THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE SYSTEM IN HAWAII, AND DETERMINING UNIVERSAL PAYMENT POLICIES, RECOGNIZED PROVIDERS, AND POLICIES REGARDING PAYMENT FOR SUPPLIES," was referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

Hse. Com. No. 628, transmitting H.C.R. No. 38, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 13, 2000, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 38, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS TO REVIEW AND EVALUATE THE LICENSING REQUIREMENTS FOR PSYCHOLOGISTS," was referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection.

Hse. Com. No. 629, transmitting H.C.R. No. 42, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 13, 2000, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 42, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING EXPANSION OF A STATE WEB SITE ENTITLED 'FOR THE SAKE OF THE CHILDREN' FOR PUBLIC ACCESS INFORMATION PURPOSES," was referred jointly to the Committee on Judiciary and the Committee on Health and Human Services, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 630, transmitting H.C.R. No. 57, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 13, 2000, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 57, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU TO CONDUCT A STUDY CONCERNING CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD CHECKS," was referred to the Committee on Judiciary, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 631, transmitting H.C.R. No. 60, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 13, 2000, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 60, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE BOARD OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES AND EACH COUNTY TO ENTER INTO LONG-TERM LEASES AND DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENTS WITH HAWAIIAN CANOE CLUBS THAT DESIRE TO MAKE IMPROVEMENTS TO THEIR EXISTING TENANCIES," was referred jointly to the Committee on Water, Land, and Hawaiian Affairs and the Committee on Transportation and Intergovernmental Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 632, transmitting H.C.R. No. 62, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 13, 2000, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 62, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU TO COMPILE DATA ON THE NUMBER AND PERCENTAGE OF EMPLOYEES OF PRIVATE COMPANIES ON CONTRACT WITH THE STATE WHO MAY BE AFFECTED BY THE IMPLEMENTATION OF A LIVING WAGE LAW," was referred to the Committee on Labor and Environment, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 633, transmitting H.C.R. No. 65, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 13, 2000, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 65, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE AUDITOR TO STUDY THE NEED FOR REGULATING THE ALARM INDUSTRY," was referred jointly to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection and the Committee on Transportation and Intergovernmental Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 634, transmitting H.C.R. No. 66, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 13, 2000, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 66, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES TO CONVENE A PUBLIC-PRIVATE INTERAGENCY GROUP TO EXAMINE WAYS TO ADVOCATE THE CAPTURE AND MAXIMIZATION OF FEDERAL FUNDS TO SUPPORT HAWAII'S HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES PROGRAMS," was referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 635, transmitting H.C.R. No. 67, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 13, 2000, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 67, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION OF HAWAII TO INITIATE A COLLABORATIVE EFFORT WITH PRIVATE DEVELOPERS AND THE MILITARY TO DEVELOP AND ANALYZE OPTIONS TO PROVIDE LOW-INCOME HOUSING TO THE CIVILIAN AND MILITARY POPULATIONS," was referred jointly to the Committee on Government Operations and Housing and the Committee on Transportation and Intergovernmental Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

Hse. Com. No. 636, transmitting H.C.R. No. 71, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 13, 2000, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 71, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION ADOPTING AND ACHIEVING A POLICY GOAL THAT BY THE YEAR 2004 NINETY PERCENT OF STUDENTS IN PUBLIC ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS READ AT OR ABOVE GRADE LEVEL BY THE END OF THE THIRD GRADE," was referred to the Committee on Education and Technology, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 637, transmitting H.C.R. No. 77, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 13, 2000, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 77, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE STATE HEALTH PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT AGENCY TO REQUIRE A SOCIAL IMPACT STATEMENT TO BE SUBMITTED FOR ANY PROPOSED YOUTH FACILITY INVOLVING MENTAL HEALTH OR PUBLIC SAFETY IN A COMMUNITY," was referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 638, transmitting H.C.R. No. 78, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 13, 2000, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 78, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO STUDY THE FEASIBILITY OF DEVELOPING SEVEN FALLS AND ADJOINING AREAS INTO A TOURIST ATTRACTION," was referred jointly to the Committee on Water, Land, and Hawaiian Affairs and the Committee on Economic Development, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 639, transmitting H.C.R. No. 81, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 13, 2000, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 81, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION DECLARING THE SECOND TUESDAY OF SEPTEMBER AS LEGISLATORS BACK-TO-SCHOOL DAY IN HAWAII," was referred to the Committee on Education and Technology, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 640, transmitting H.C.R. No. 86, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 13, 2000, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 86, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE ON AGING TO CONDUCT A COMPREHENSIVE REVIEW OF ALL PROGRAMS IN THE STATE FOR, AND THE BENEFITS RECEIVED BY, HAWAII'S ELDERS," was referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 641, transmitting H.C.R. No. 89, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 13, 2000, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 89, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE AUDITOR TO UPDATE ITS 1992 SUMMARY OF SPECIAL AND REVOLVING FUNDS," was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 642, transmitting H.C.R. No. 93, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 13, 2000, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 93, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEVELOPMENT OF A TEN-YEAR PLAN FOR TEACHER EDUCATION ON THE NEIGHBOR ISLANDS," was referred to the Committee on Education and Technology, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 643, transmitting H.C.R. No. 96, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 13, 2000, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 96, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE HAWAII INSTITUTE OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS TO CONDUCT

A PUBLIC POLICY REPORT ON HAWAII AND THE NEW ECONOMY," was referred to the Committee on Economic Development, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 644, transmitting H.C.R. No. 101, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 13, 2000, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 101, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING A STUDY TO ASCERTAIN THE FEASIBILITY OF AMENDING THE HAWAIIAN HOMES COMMISSION ACT TO ALLOW FOR DIRECT ELECTION OF MEMBERS," was referred jointly to the Committee on Water, Land, and Hawaiian Affairs and the Committee on Judiciary, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 645, transmitting H.C.R. No. 103, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 13, 2000, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 103, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING A STUDY OF THE IMPACT THAT COMMERCIAL MARINE MAMMAL WATCHING TOURS MAY HAVE ON MARINE MAMMALS IN WATERS OFF THE WAJANAË COAST OF OAHU," was referred to the Committee on Economic Development, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 646, transmitting H.C.R. No. 109, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 13, 2000, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 109, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING LANDLORDS, ASSOCIATIONS OF APARTMENT OWNERS, AND TENANTS WITH AND WITHOUT PETS, TO RESPECT EACH OTHERS' RIGHTS AND TO WORK TOGETHER TO PROVIDE FOR THE NEEDS OF ALL OWNERS AND TENANTS," was referred to the Committee on Government Operations and Housing.

Hse. Com. No. 647, transmitting H.C.R. No. 110, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 13, 2000, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 110, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION CONVENING A TASK FORCE TO STUDY THE IMPLICATIONS OF INCREASED ACCESS TO STERILE SYRINGES," was referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 648, transmitting H.C.R. No. 111, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 13, 2000, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 111, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE STATE AUDITOR TO CONDUCT A PROGRAM AND FINANCIAL AUDIT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH'S ADULT MENTAL HEALTH DIVISION," was referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 649, transmitting H.C.R. No. 116, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 13, 2000, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 116, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN ADVISORY COUNCIL TO STUDY ISSUES RELATING TO ENCOURAGING AND ATTRACTING THE DEVELOPMENT OF PUBLIC AND PRIVATE HIGH TECHNOLOGY BIOSCIENCE RESEARCH IN THE STATE," was referred jointly to the Committee on

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

Hse. Com. No. 650, transmitting H.C.R. No. 117, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 13, 2000, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 117, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU TO REVIEW THE STATUTORY FRAMEWORK RELATING TO THE LEASING OF STATE LANDS," was referred jointly to the Committee on Water, Land, and Hawaiian Affairs and the Committee on Economic Development, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 651, transmitting H.C.R. No. 120, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 13, 2000, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 120, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A TASK FORCE TO CREATE A MASTER PLAN FOR FLOOD MITIGATION FOR WAIMANALO," was referred to the Committee on Water, Land, and Hawaiian Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 652, transmitting H.C.R. No. 123, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 13, 2000, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 123, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE TO TAKE MEASURES TO MITIGATE THE INFESTATION OF FLIES, UNPLEASANT ODORS, INUNDATION BY DUST, AND SEVERE DRAINAGE PROBLEMS AT MAILI ELEMENTARY SCHOOL," was referred to the Committee on Education and Technology, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 653, transmitting H.C.R. No. 140, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 13, 2000, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 140, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE UNITED STATES HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO SPEEDILY PASS S. 1052 RELATING TO THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS," was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Intergovernmental Affairs.

Hse. Com. No. 654, transmitting H.C.R. No. 141, H.D. 2, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 13, 2000, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 141, H.D. 2, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT TO TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO ADDRESS THE SERIOUS ENVIRONMENTAL AND PUBLIC HEALTH PROBLEMS POSED BY THE TOXIC WASTES LEFT BEHIND AT FORMER UNITED STATES MILITARY INSTALLATIONS IN THE PHILIPPINES," was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Intergovernmental Affairs.

Hse. Com. No. 655, transmitting H.C.R. No. 151, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 13, 2000, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 151, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION RELATING TO A COMPREHENSIVE MASTER PLAN FOR KOKEE AND

WAIMEA CANYON STATE PARKS," was referred to the Committee on Water, Land, and Hawaiian Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 656, transmitting H.C.R. No. 152, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 13, 2000, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 152, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING LEGISLATORS TO FOSTER COMMUNITY SUPPORT OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS," was referred to the Committee on Education and Technology, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 657, transmitting H.C.R. No. 157, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 13, 2000, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 157, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING AN ANALYSIS OF CURRENT AND COMPARATIVE PATTERNS OF PUBLIC SCHOOL FINANCING," was referred to the Committee on Education and Technology, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 658, transmitting H.C.R. No. 158, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 13, 2000, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 158, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII COMMUNITY COLLEGES INITIATE A COLLABORATIVE PARTNERSHIP TO IMPROVE SERVICES FOR ADULTS AND EXPAND OPPORTUNITIES FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS THAT WILL RESULT IN SUBSTANTIVE OUTCOMES FOR THE TWO ENTITIES," was referred to the Committee on Education and Technology, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 659, transmitting H.C.R. No. 163, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 13, 2000, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 163, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING CPR TRAINING IN HIGH SCHOOLS," was referred to the Committee on Education and Technology, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 660, transmitting H.C.R. No. 164, H.D. 2, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 13, 2000, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 164, H.D. 2, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE HAWAII TOURISM AUTHORITY TO ESTABLISH A TRANSITION PLAN TO TRANSFER THE FUNCTIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE CONVENTION CENTER AUTHORITY TO THE HAWAII TOURISM AUTHORITY," was referred to the Committee on Economic Development, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 661, transmitting H.C.R. No. 165, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 13, 2000, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 165, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO IMPLEMENT THE RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING HAWAII'S COMMERCIAL BOATING AND OCEAN RECREATION INDUSTRY MADE BY THE SMALL BUSINESS TASK FORCE ON REGULATORY RELIEF," was referred to the

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

Hse. Com. No. 662, transmitting H.C.R. No. 172, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 13, 2000, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 172, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENTS OF HEALTH AND EDUCATION TO ASSESS THE PREVALENCE OF HEAD LICE AND THE CURRENT USE OF CHEMICAL TREATMENT FOR HEAD LICE IN HAWAII'S SCHOOLS," was referred jointly to the Committee on Health and Human Services and the Committee on Education and Technology, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 663, transmitting H.C.R. No. 182, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 13, 2000, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 182, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION RELATING TO WAIANAE COAST TRAFFIC PROBLEMS," was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Intergovernmental Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 664, transmitting H.C.R. No. 184, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 13, 2000, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 184, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING A TASK FORCE TO REVIEW AND REPORT ON THE BENEFITS AND FEASIBILITY OF COLLABORATIVE HEALTH CARE PURCHASING ARRANGEMENTS BETWEEN HAWAII QUEST AND THE HAWAII PUBLIC EMPLOYEES HEALTH FUND," was referred to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 665, transmitting H.C.R. No. 186, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 13, 2000, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 186, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUIRING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND THE HAWAII HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION TO ALLOW OUTRIGGER CANOE PADDLING TO BE A SANCTIONED SCHOOL SPORT STATEWIDE," was referred to the Committee on Education and Technology, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 666, transmitting H.C.R. No. 188, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 13, 2000, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 188, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A RESEARCH INSTITUTE AND A MASTER OF ARTS PROGRAM AT THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII AT MANOA CENTER FOR HAWAIIAN STUDIES," was referred to the Committee on Education and Technology, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 667, transmitting H.C.R. No. 190, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 13, 2000, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 190, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION OF HAWAII TO EXPLORE HOME OWNERSHIP OPTIONS AT THE STATE-OWNED AND

OPERATED PALOLO HOMES I AND II AND OTHER STATE-OWNED AND OPERATED HOUSING PROJECTS," was referred to the Committee on Government Operations and Housing, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 668, transmitting H.C.R. No. 191, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 13, 2000, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 191, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE UNITED STATES NAVY TO INCREASE THE WORKLOAD AND EMPLOYMENT AT PEARL HARBOR NAVAL SHIPYARD AND TO PROVIDE A BRIEFING ON THE FUTURE WORKLOAD PLANS FOR PEARL HARBOR NAVAL SHIPYARD," was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Intergovernmental Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 669, transmitting H.C.R. No. 192, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 13, 2000, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 192, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING AN INVESTIGATION INTO THE ACQUISITION OF NO. 1 CAPITOL DISTRICT BY THE STATE," was referred to the Committee on Government Operations and Housing, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 670, transmitting H.C.R. No. 195, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 13, 2000, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 195, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION SERVICES OF THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU TO STUDY TRAFFIC PATTERNS AT THE JUNCTION OF LOWER KAIMUKI, KAPAHULU, MOILIILI, KAPIOLANI BOULEVARD, ST. LOUIS HEIGHTS, AND UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII," was referred to the Committee on Transportation and Intergovernmental Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 671, transmitting H.C.R. No. 196, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 13, 2000, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 196, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE GOVERNOR TO DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT A STATEWIDE, COMPREHENSIVE, AND EFFECTIVE WORKING PLAN FOR PLACING QUALIFIED PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES IN THE MOST INTEGRATED SETTINGS POSSIBLE AND TO KEEP WAITING LISTS THAT MOVE AT A REASONABLE PACE," was referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Hse. Com. No. 672, transmitting H.C.R. No. 199, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on April 13, 2000, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 199, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING AN ASSESSMENT OF THE GOALS AND OBJECTIVES OF THE A-PLUS PROGRAM AND INCLUDING RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ITS IMPROVEMENT IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE COMPREHENSIVE STUDENT SUPPORT SYSTEM," was referred to the Committee on Education and Technology, then to the Committee on Ways and Means.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Senator Chun Oakland, for the Committee on Health and Human Services, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3491) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations of ROSEMARY C. ADAM-TEREM, PH.D., JENNIFER SCHEMBER-LANG and GAILYNN WILLIAMSON, PH.D., to the Reproductive Rights Protection Committee, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 199.

In accordance with Senate Rule 36(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3491 and Gov. Msg. No. 199 was deferred until Monday, April 17, 2000.

Senator Chun Oakland, for the Committee on Health and Human Services, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3492) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations of WAYNE M.T. LU, WILLIAM F. MIELCKE, CAROLYN A. NII, DIANE J. PLOTTS and CLIFTON K. TSUJI to the Board of Directors of the Hawaii Health Systems Corporation, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 226.

In accordance with Senate Rule 36(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3492 and Gov. Msg. No. 226 was deferred until Monday, April 17, 2000.

Senator Chun Oakland, for the Committee on Health and Human Services, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3493) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations of VICTORIA A. SUYAT, CARRICK WONG, LYNN C. FOX, PETER L. FRITZ, STERLING KRYSLER, LILLIAN Y. SHIBATA, RICHARD W. SMITH and MARK YABUI to the State Rehabilitation Council, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 252.

In accordance with Senate Rule 36(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3493 and Gov. Msg. No. 252 was deferred until Monday, April 17, 2000.

Senator Chun Oakland, for the Committee on Health and Human Services, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3494) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations of MARGARET K. MASUNAGA and NANCY KREIDMAN to the State Commission on the Status of Women, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 255.

In accordance with Senate Rule 36(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3494 and Gov. Msg. No. 255 was deferred until Monday, April 17, 2000.

Senator Chun Oakland, for the Committee on Health and Human Services, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3495) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations of RICHARD I.C. CALDITO SR., ABE KAAHUI, HAROLD KOZUMA, DED., FREDERICK K. LEE, ROBERT Y. MASUDA, BETTY M. MATSUMURA and BRUCE W. MCCULLOUGH to the Policy Advisory Board for Elder Affairs, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 262.

In accordance with Senate Rule 36(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3495 and Gov. Msg. No. 262 was deferred until Monday, April 17, 2000.

Senators Chumbley and Matsunaga, for the Committee on Judiciary, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3496) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of JACK LAW to the Civil Rights Commission, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 224.

In accordance with Senate Rule 36(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3496 and Gov. Msg. No. 224 was deferred until Monday, April 17, 2000.

Senators Chumbley and Matsunaga, for the Committee on Judiciary, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3497) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the

nomination of LANI RAE GARCIA to the Hawaii Paroling Authority, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 227.

In accordance with Senate Rule 36(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3497 and Gov. Msg. No. 227 was deferred until Monday, April 17, 2000.

Senators Chumbley and Matsunaga, for the Committee on Judiciary, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3498) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of EUCLID LEE to the Board of Registration, Island of Oahu, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 248.

In accordance with Senate Rule 36(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3498 and Gov. Msg. No. 248 was deferred until Monday, April 17, 2000.

Senators Chumbley and Matsunaga, for the Committee on Judiciary, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3499) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of DAVID M. VIEIRA SR., to the Board of Registration, Island of Hawaii, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 249.

In accordance with Senate Rule 36(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3499 and Gov. Msg. No. 249 was deferred until Monday, April 17, 2000.

Senators Chumbley and Matsunaga, for the Committee on Judiciary, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3500) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of PAUL K. SHINSEKI to the Board of Registration, Kauai and Niihau, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 250.

In accordance with Senate Rule 36(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3500 and Gov. Msg. No. 250 was deferred until Monday, April 17, 2000.

Senators Chumbley and Matsunaga, for the Committee on Judiciary, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3501) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations of CRAIG G. NAKAMURA and ANTHONY MONDELLO to the Board of Registration, Maui, Molokai, Lanai and Kahoolawe, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 251.

In accordance with Senate Rule 36(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3501 and Gov. Msg. No. 251 was deferred until Monday, April 17, 2000.

Senators Chumbley and Matsunaga, for the Committee on Judiciary, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3502) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations of HIROSHI SAKAI and ROBERT S. TOYOFUKU to the Commission to Promote Uniform Legislation, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 254.

In accordance with Senate Rule 36(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3502 and Gov. Msg. No. 254 was deferred until Monday, April 17, 2000.

ORDER OF THE DAY

ADVISE AND CONSENT

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3398 (Gov. Msg. No. 228):

Senator Inouye moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3398 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Buen and carried.

Senator Inouye then moved that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations to the Hawaii School-to-Work Executive Council of the following:

HARVARD C.S. KIM, term to expire June 30, 2001;

JODEE MALIA CRANE and NORMAN JIMENO, terms to expire June 30, 2002; and

NOBLEZA E. MAGSANOC, term to expire June 30, 2003,

seconded by Senator Buen.

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

Ayes, 20. Noes, none. Excused, 5 (Bunda, Chun, Ihara, Kanno, Tanaka).

FINAL READING

S.B. No. 914:

Senator Chumbley moved that S.B. No. 914, having been read throughout, pass Final Reading, seconded by Senator Matsunaga.

Senator Sakamoto rose to speak against the measure as follows:

"Mr. President, I rise in opposition to this bill.

"Part of what the bill says sounds good. It says, 'If a contest or question requires a majority of the votes for passage, any blank, spoiled, or invalid ballot cast shall not be tallied for passage or as votes cast.' Going that far sounds very logical. How can you count a blank vote? How can you count a spoiled vote or why should you count a spoiled vote? Or why should you count an invalid vote? Right, Senator from Mililani? How can a vote be counted when it is blank, spoiled, or invalid? However, the sentence doesn't stop there. It says, 'except that such ballot shall be counted as votes cast in ratification of the constitutional amendment or a question for a constitutional convention.'

"Mr. President, it doesn't make sense to count invalid votes, because if it's invalid, it is not a vote. If it's spoiled, it's not a vote. If it's blank, it's not a vote. And I think the rationale was, while the Supreme Court decision stated that we needed to count for some such manner based on a conversation between some people or a report some time way back then, people make mistakes. Words are sometimes said in one context and used in another context. I think the intention of making it harder for a constitutional amendment to pass was part of the rationale given for wanting to count blanks and wanting to count spoiled.

"But certainly, Mr. President, in today's language, with today's common sense, we're making a mockery by saying we should count blank, spoiled, or invalid ballots. So again, I'm in opposition and I ask everyone to think clearly about what is right, and it is not right to count blank, spoiled, or invalid ballots."

Senator Slom rose to oppose the measure and said:

"Mr. President, I, too, rise in opposition to this bill.

"The Supreme Court decision, I believe, was an erroneous and shortsighted decision when it was made. And I do remember that our attorney general at that time had ruled that blank votes and erroneous votes were just that -- they were blank and erroneous. But we did not follow that and the Supreme Court did not follow that.

"It's interesting that except for wild speculation, how does anybody know why the vote was blank? Why are we making an assumption that the vote was 'no'? It could be an erroneous ballot. It could have been because the person didn't care. It could have been because the person felt that they were not interested, or didn't have enough education or knowledge. And to make this decision is a bad one and sets a bad precedent.

"It's also interesting to me, Mr. President, that we always used to brag about Hawaii being the state that was able to look at its Constitution and review its basic fundamental laws every ten years. And that was a very positive thing. But the last time we did that was 1978. It seems that a lot of the mistakes that were made in 1978 have been frozen in time and we've not been allowed to look at them since.

"I guess the final thing I would say is the solution to the problem, if in fact there is a problem of blank and spoiled ballots, is not to penalize those voters that voted 'yes,' but to find a way of educating other voters as to why they should vote. And I guess the last thing is, if this is such a good idea for the constitutional convention question or constitutional issues, then why not extend it to the vote for the governor, the vote for House members, the vote for the Senate members? We don't have a place on the ballot that says 'none of the above,' so if we extend this, then people are in fact allowed to vote 'no' against candidates that they don't believe are doing a good job.

"Thank you, Mr. President."

Senator Chumbley rose to support the measure and stated:

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

"Members, something as important as a constitutional convention, with its potential for decisions of far reaching consequences, should not be convened without the solid support of the state's citizens.

"The vote requirement for the passage of a constitutional amendment is that the affirmative votes be more than the negative votes and that the affirmative votes be at least 50 percent of all the ballots cast in the election. This assures that no amendment is adopted by a minority of voters due to the failure of many of the voters to cast votes on the amendment. I believe that the vote requirement for the convening of a constitutional convention should meet the same standards as that for the ratification of amendments to the Constitution.

"Mr. President and members, this is the Supreme Court decision and this is the right vote.

"Thank you."

Senator Anderson rose to speak against the measure and said:

"Mr. President, I, too, will be voting 'no.'

"I'd like to remind some of my colleagues, I had a very good friend who was a mayor and he once told everybody, 'Don't leave the ballot blank if you are upset with me. Vote for my opponent.' generally, there will be a lot of blank votes. But the voters did just that to send a message, and he happened to lose that particular election. If they had just left it blank, the vote would not have been counted. It would have just sat there. But he told them to go ahead and vote for his opponent, and he lost the mayor's race.

"So it's not a very good idea to take a blank vote and count it any one way or the other. It's not supposed to be counted against you or for you because an election can be won or lost on this law. And it wasn't supposed to be for that reason. If I don't like a particular person, I leave it blank. And that sends a message because it just shows up as a blank vote, not a vote counted against that individual.

"Thank you very much, Mr. President."

The motion was put by the Chair and carried, S.B. No. 914, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO VOTE COUNT," having been read throughout, passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 13. Noes, 7 (Anderson, Buen, Kawamoto, Levin, Sakamoto, Slom, Tam). Excused, 5 (Bunda, Chun, Ihara, Kanno, Tanaka).

S.B. No. 887:

Senator Chumbley moved that S.B. No. 887, having been read throughout, pass Final Reading, seconded by Senator Matsunaga.

Senator Chumbley rose to support the measure as follows:

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

"Members, the Fifth Circuit Court, which serves the islands of Kauai and Niihau, is the only circuit with just one circuit court judge. This measure was a bill that we had passed in the previous year, and on March 9, 1999, all 25 of us unanimously supported this measure. We included in the first fiscal year of the biennium budget, funding for this position and this is merely the statutory authorization to increase from one position to two positions. So I ask all my colleagues to support this.

"Thank you."

The motion was put by the Chair and carried, S.B. No. 887, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO JUDGES FOR THE CIRCUIT COURT," having been read throughout, passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 20. Noes, none. Excused, 5 (Bunda, Chun, Ihara, Kanno, Tanaka).

Senator Slom rose on a point of personal privilege and said:

"Mr. President, I rise on a point of personal privilege.

"This has been a very rough week on Wall Street for stocks and bonds and investments -- the Nasdaq has lost about 24 percent of its value since January, this week alone; the Dow Jones plunged 10 percent today -- and it reminds me of the governor's speech before us in January when he was telling us about how wonderful our investment was in Digital Island and that it was going to bring us 40 to 50 million dollars in new revenues. I don't know how much that investment is worth today, but it's not worth 40 or 50, nor 15 or 20, nor even 10 million dollars.

"The point that I'm making is that I have told this body on numerous occasions that the idea of investments should be left with the taxpayers of this state. I think that the men and women of this state, who are already overburdened with taxes, have the ability to lose money on their own. They don't need the state to take additional money and say that we're smarter and we can invest better for you and then have that money lost. I think we've got to get over this idea that the state knows better what to do, rather than that single mom, that small business, or that family within our state.

"Let's not take anymore money for investment purposes. Let's not buy any more luxury buildings for investment purposes. Let's let the money remain with the households that so desperately need it.

"Thank you, Mr. President."

At this time, the President extended happy birthday wishes to Senator Kawamoto on behalf of the Senate.

Senator Slom rose again and said:

"Mr. President, another point of personal privilege, please.

"I had occasion to see the good Senator from Waialua this morning, and I want to tell you that he was looking good --

except that he was wearing shorts and he could not come to the Senate floor with those legs, guaranteed. (Laughter.)

"He did express his concern for the good Senator from Mililani; he was concerned about hairy problems with the Senator.

"He expressed his good wishes to everyone and he will be back with us next week.

"Thank you, Mr. President."

At this time, the President made the following announcement:

"As a follow-up to the memo regarding Senate Rule 23 (3), if there are no objections from the members, I will be suspending Senate Rule 23 (3) for the purpose of implementing the recently agreed upon Conference Committee procedures.

"This suspension of Rule 23 (3) will be in effect until the end of the 2000 Legislative Session."

By unanimous consent, Senate Rule 23 (3) was suspended for the purpose of implementing new Conference Committee procedures, a copy of which is attached to the Senate Rules.

ADJOURNMENT

At 12:26 o'clock p.m., on motion by Senator Chumbley, seconded by Senator Slom and carried, the Senate adjourned until 11:30 o'clock a.m., Monday, April 17, 2000.