

THIRTEENTH DAY

Monday, February 5, 2001

The Senate of the Twenty-First Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2001, convened at 11:38 o'clock a.m. with the President in the Chair.

The Divine Blessing was invoked by the Reverend Edward Robinson, Central Union Church, after which the Roll was called showing all Senators present with the exception of Senators Chumbley, Ige, Matsuura and Sakamoto who were excused.

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

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR

Gov. Msg. No. 120, informing the Senate that on February 2, 2001, he signed into law Senate Bill No. 890 as Act 1, entitled: "MAKING APPROPRIATIONS TO PROVIDE FOR THE EXPENSES OF THE LEGISLATURE, THE LEGISLATIVE AUDITOR, THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU, AND THE OMBUDSMAN," was read by the Clerk and was placed on file.

ORDER OF THE DAY

RE-REFERRAL OF SENATE BILLS

The Chair re-referred the following Senate bills that were introduced:

Senate Bill Referred to:

No. 111 Jointly to the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Housing and the Committee on Health and Human Services, then to the Committee on Judiciary

No. 119 Committee on Judiciary, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

No. 269 Committee on Water, Land, Energy, and Environment, then to the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Housing, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

No. 949 Jointly to the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Housing, the Committee on Transportation, Military Affairs, and Government Operations and the Committee on Judiciary, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

No. 1094 Jointly to the Committee on Transportation, Military Affairs, and Government Operations and the Committee on Judiciary

No. 1155 Jointly to the Committee on Labor and the Committee on Judiciary, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

No. 1241 Jointly to the Committee on Labor and the Committee on Transportation, Military Affairs, and Government Operations, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

No. 1243 Jointly to the Committee on Education and the Committee on Labor, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

No. 1272 Jointly to the Committee on Transportation, Military Affairs, and Government Operations and the Committee on Judiciary, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

No. 1347 Jointly to the Committee on Transportation, Military Affairs, and Government Operations and the Committee on Education, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

No. 1392 Committee on Labor, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

No. 1433 Committee on Transportation, Military Affairs, and Government Operations, then to the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Housing, then to the Committee on Judiciary

No. 1557 Jointly to the Committee on Transportation, Military Affairs, and Government Operations and the Committee on Education, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

Senator Kanno, Chair of the Committee on Judiciary, requested a waiver of the 72-hour notice requirement pursuant to Senate Rule 20 for the following Senate Bills:

S.B. No. 989;
S.B. No. 1544;
S.B. No. 1599;
S.B. No. 1606; and
S.B. No. 1620,

and the Chair granted the waiver.

Senator Slom rose on a point of personal privilege as follows:

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

"You know, in business, it's location, location, location. In life, it's timing. And I think in both situations – the announcement by the Governor and the forwarding of an administration bill to raise the salaries of cabinet level officials substantially – at a time when the teachers are marching and ready to go out on strike, at a time when the Governor professes a greater love for firemen than he does for University Professors; at a time when we keep talking about the importance of education and the compensation of those who are engaged in the education process, I think the timing was particularly poor. Some of these individuals may or may not deserve salary increases, but that's a separate issue. The real impact here is timing.

"I didn't know that the Governor was part of my lost tribe and believes in chutzpah, because this is an excellent example of that at this time.

"Thank you, Mr. President."

ADJOURNMENT

At 11:46 o'clock a.m., on motion by Senator English, seconded by Senator Hemmings and carried, the Senate adjourned until 11:30 o'clock a.m., Tuesday, February 6, 2001.