FORTY-FIRST DAY

Friday, March 30, 2007

The Senate of the Twenty-Fourth Legislature of the State of Hawai'i, Regular Session of 2007, convened at 11:35 o'clock a.m. with the President in the Chair.

The Divine Blessing was invoked by Mr. Ramsay Taum, Sustain Hawai'i, after which the Roll was called showing all Senators present.

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

Senator Sakamoto, with the assistance of Senators Chun Oakland, Ihara, Menor, Gabbard, Hee, Kokubun, Baker and Hooser, congratulated and introduced the following principals of the 2007 Hawaii Blue Ribbon Schools: Denise Arai, Moanalua Elementary School; Sandra Ishihara-Shibata, Kawananakoa Middle School; and Bonnie Tabor, Waikiki Elementary School. Also introduced and commended were the following recipients of the 2007 Teacher of the Year Awards: Jami Muranaka, Kaimuki High School; Lizabeth Horii, Milliani 'Ike Elementary School; Naidah Gamurot, Kapolei High School, who was not able to attend; Brett Kewish, Kahuku High and Intermediate School; Janice Nakagawa, Waiakeawaena Elementary School; Judy Locke, Kihei Elementary School; and Allison Carveiro, Kekaha Elementary School.

At 11:54 o'clock a.m., the Senate stood in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

The Senate reconvened at 12:02 o'clock p.m.

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR

The following messages from the Governor (Gov. Msg. Nos. 673 to 680) were read by the Clerk and were disposed of as follows:

Gov. Msg. No. 673, advising the Senate of the withdrawal of the nomination of BYRON WILBUR BENDER to the Board of Regents of the University of Hawai'i, under Gov. Msg. No. 535, dated March 13, 2007, was placed on file.

In compliance with Gov. Msg. No. 673, the nomination listed under Gov. Msg. No. 535 was returned.

Gov. Msg. No. 674, advising the Senate of the withdrawal of the nomination of MICHAEL ALEJANDRE DAHILIG to the Board of Regents of the University of Hawai'i, under Gov. Msg. No. 536, dated March 13, 2007, was placed on file.

In compliance with Gov. Msg. No. 674, the nomination listed under Gov. Msg. No. 536 was returned.

Gov. Msg. No. 675, advising the Senate of the withdrawal of the nomination of MARLENE MARIE HAPAI PHD to the Board of Regents of the University of Hawai'i, under Gov. Msg. No. 537, dated March 13, 2007, was placed on file.

In compliance with Gov. Msg. No. 675, the nomination listed under Gov. Msg. No. 537 was returned.

Gov. Msg. No. 676, advising the Senate of the withdrawal of the nomination of CATHERINE Y. LAGARETA to the Board of Regents of the University of Hawai'i, under Gov. Msg. No. 538, dated March 13, 2007, was placed on file. In compliance with Gov. Msg. No. 676, the nomination listed under Gov. Msg. No. 538 was returned.

Gov. Msg. No. 677, advising the Senate of the withdrawal of the nomination of JANE BARROWS TATIBOUET to the Board of Regents of the University of Hawai'i, under Gov. Msg. No. 539, dated March 13, 2007, was placed on file.

In compliance with Gov. Msg. No. 677, the nomination listed under Gov. Msg. No. 539 was returned.

Gov. Msg. No. 678, informing the Senate that on March 29, 2007, she signed into law Senate Bill No. 1260 as Act 4, entitled: "RELATING TO A GRANT TO KAHUKU HOSPITAL," was placed on file.

Gov. Msg. No. 679, dated March 30, 2007, transmitting the Department of Human Resources Development Annual Report on Goals and Objectives, pursuant to Act 100, Section 7, SLH 1999, was placed on file.

Gov. Msg. No. 680, dated March 27, 2007, transmitting a Report on the Use of the Provision to Fill a Federal Funded Civil Service Position, prepared by the Department of Agriculture pursuant to Act 160, Section 167, SLH 2006, was placed on file.

HOUSE COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications from the House (Hse. Com. Nos. 481 to 485) were read by the Clerk and were disposed of as follows:

Hse. Com. No. 481, returning S.B. No. 1006, S.D. 1, which passed Third Reading in the House of Representatives on March 29, 2007, was placed on file.

Hse. Com. No. 482, transmitting H.C.R. No. 55, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on March 29, 2007, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 55, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO STUDY THE FEASIBILITY OF INTEGRATING PEACE EDUCATION INTO THE SCHOOL CURRICULUM," was referred to the Committee on Education.

Hse. Com. No. 483, transmitting H.C.R. No. 85, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on March 29, 2007, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 85, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO PASS THE PROPOSED EMPLOYEE FREE CHOICE ACT," was referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor.

Hse. Com. No. 484, transmitting H.C.R. No. 133, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on March 29, 2007, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 133, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE BREASTFEEDING MOTHERS' BILL OF RIGHTS OFFERED AS SENATE BILL NO. 1674 AND ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 3782 IN THE NEW YORK STATE

LEGISLATURE," was referred to the Committee on Human Services and Public Housing.

Hse. Com. No. 485, transmitting H.C.R. No. 140, H.D. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on March 29, 2007, was placed on file.

By unanimous consent, H.C.R. No. 140, H.D. 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES TO COLLECT DATA AND REPORT STATISTICS RELATED TO CASES OF ABUSE OF VULNERABLE ADULTS," was referred to the Committee on Human Services and Public Housing.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Senator Sakamoto, for the Committee on Education, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1355) recommending that H.B. No. 17, H.D. 1, as amended in S.D. 1, pass Second Reading and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

On motion by Senator Ige, seconded by Senator Whalen and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 17, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION," passed Second Reading and was placed on the calendar for Third Reading on Monday, April 2, 2007.

Senator Hee, for the Committee on Judiciary and Labor, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1356) recommending that H.B. No. 987, H.D. 1, as amended in S.D. 1, pass Second Reading and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

On motion by Senator Ige, seconded by Senator Whalen and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 987, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO POLICE OFFICERS," passed Second Reading and was placed on the calendar for Third Reading on Monday, April 2, 2007.

Senator Hee, for the Committee on Judiciary and Labor, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1357) recommending that H.B. No. 1153, as amended in S.D. 1, pass Second Reading and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

On motion by Senator Ige, seconded by Senator Whalen and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1153, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PRECURSORS TO THE MANUFACTURE OF CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES," passed Second Reading and was placed on the calendar for Third Reading on Monday, April 2, 2007.

Senator Kokubun, for the Committee on Water, Land, Agriculture and Hawaiian Affairs, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1358) recommending that S.C.R. No. 24 as amended in S.D. 1, be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator Ige, seconded by Senator Whalen and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 24, S.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE GRANT OF A TERM, NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT COVERING PORTION OF SUBMERGED LANDS AT LAHAINA, MAUI, FOR DIVE SITE FOR COMMERCIAL SUBMARINE TOURS," was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senator Kokubun, for the Committee on Water, Land, Agriculture and Hawaiian Affairs, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1359) recommending that S.C.R. No. 176 be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator Ige, seconded by Senator Whalen and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 176, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE AUDITOR TO CONDUCT A FINANCIAL AND MANAGEMENT AUDIT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE'S OPERATION OF THE MOLOKAI IRRIGATION SYSTEM," was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senator Fukunaga, for the Committee on Economic Development and Taxation, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1360) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of JOHN H. DELONG to the Board of Directors of the Natural Energy Laboratory of Hawai'i Authority, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 435.

In accordance with Senate Rule 37(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1360 and Gov. Msg. No. 435 was deferred until Monday, April 2, 2007.

Senator Fukunaga, for the Committee on Economic Development and Taxation, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1361) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations to the Hawai'i Historic Places Review Board of the following:

NAOMI CLARKE LOSCH, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 474; and

JOYCE NAOMI CHINEN PHD, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 520.

In accordance with Senate Rule 37(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1361 and Gov. Msg. Nos. 474 and 520 was deferred until Monday, April 2, 2007.

Senator Ige, for the Committee on Health, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1362) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations of the following:

EMMET WHITE to the Health Planning Council, Honolulu Subarea, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 343;

GLENN SOICHI IZAWA to the Health Planning Council, Tri-Isle Subarea, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 344;

ELAINE JULIA SLAVINSKY to the Health Planning Council, Tri-Isle Subarea, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 345; and

THOMAS O. BROWN to the Health Planning Council, Hawai'i County Subarea, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 417.

In accordance with Senate Rule 37(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1362 and Gov. Msg. Nos. 343, 344, 345 and 417 was deferred until Monday, April 2, 2007.

Senator Ige, for the Committee on Health, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1363) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations of the following:

ANDREW DAVID BISSET to the Mental Health and Substance Abuse, Hawai'i Service Area Board, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 361;

JANA HERKES to the Mental Health and Substance Abuse, Kaua'i Service Area Board, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 362:

MARY ANN MORISHIGE to the Mental Health and Substance Abuse, Kaua'i Service Area Board, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 363;

VIRGINIA RUTH SHAW to the Mental Health and Substance Abuse, Maui Service Area Board, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 364; and

PHIL E. KAY to the Mental Health and Substance Abuse, Maui Service Area Board, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 365.

In accordance with Senate Rule 37(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1363 and Gov. Msg. Nos. 361, 362, 363, 364 and 365 was deferred until Monday, April 2, 2007.

Senator Hee, for the Committee on Judiciary and Labor, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1364) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations to the Defender Council of the following:

JULIE KAI BARRETO, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 315:

MICHELLE L. DREWYER, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 316: and

MICHAEL KAIPOLEIMANU SOONG, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 462.

In accordance with Senate Rule 37(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1364 and Gov. Msg. Nos. 315, 316 and 462 was deferred until Monday, April 2, 2007.

Senator Hee, for the Committee on Judiciary and Labor, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1365) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of JAMES BURTON NICHOLSON to the Hawai'i Labor Relations Board, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 424.

In accordance with Senate Rule 37(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1365 and Gov. Msg. No. 424 was deferred until Monday, April 2, 2007.

Senator Hee, for the Committee on Judiciary and Labor, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1366) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of KEN HIDESHI TAKAYAMA to the Commission to Promote Uniform Legislation, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 495.

In accordance with Senate Rule 37(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1366 and Gov. Msg. No. 495 was deferred until Monday, April 2, 2007.

Senators Fukunaga and Baker, for the Committee on Economic Development and Taxation and the Committee on Ways and Means, presented a joint report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1367) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of KURT K. KAWAFUCHI as Director of the Department of Taxation, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 278.

In accordance with Senate Rule 37(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1367 and Gov. Msg. No. 278 was deferred until Monday, April 2, 2007.

Senator Hee, for the Committee on Judiciary and Labor, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1368) recommending that H.B. No. 1157 pass Second Reading and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

On motion by Senator Ige, seconded by Senator Whalen and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1157, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DANGEROUS DRUGS," passed Second Reading and was placed on the calendar for Third Reading on Monday, April 2, 2007

Senator Espero, for the Committee on Public Safety, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1369) recommending that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of LISA ANN ASCHENBRENNER DUNN to the Crime Victim Compensation Commission, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 314

In accordance with Senate Rule 37(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1369 and Gov. Msg. No. 314 was deferred until Monday, April 2, 2007.

Senator Espero, for the majority of the Committee on Public Safety, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1370) recommending that the Senate not advise and consent to the nomination of IWALANI D. WHITE as Director of the Department of Public Safety, in accordance with Gov. Msg. No. 277

In accordance with Senate Rule 37(6), action on Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1370 and Gov. Msg. No. 277 was deferred until Monday, April 2, 2007.

ORDER OF THE DAY

ADVISE AND CONSENT

Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1354 (Gov. Msg. No. 266):

Senator Kokubun moved that Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1354 be received and placed on file, seconded by Senator Tokuda and carried.

Senator Kokubun then moved that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination of SANDRA LEE KUNIMOTO as Chairperson of the Board of Agriculture, term to expire December 31, 2010, seconded by Senator Tokuda.

Senator Kokubun rose in support of the nominee and said:

"Madam President, I rise to support Gov. Msg. No. 266, confirming as Chairperson of the Board of Agriculture, gubernatorial nominee Sandra Lee Kunimoto.

"Let me start by first saying the confirmation hearing was sort of like putting together a fan club for Sandra Kunimoto because there were over 60 testimonies that were submitted all in support, including eight from within her department. On top of that, there were no testimonies in opposition, and that is just phenomenal, in my consideration. But perhaps it's understandable when you listen to some of the sectors that were providing input on this nominee.

"Let me start by reading into the Journal testimony from Andy Hashimoto who is the Dean of the University of Hawaii's College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources. He really spoke to her broad experience before becoming Chair of the Board of Agriculture. He said in his testimony, 'During her first term as the Board of Agriculture's Chairperson, Ms. Kunimoto has been instrumental in promoting collaboration among various agriculture organizations, including CTAHR, the College of Tropical Ag; the Hawai'i Farm Bureau Federation; the Hawai'i Agricultural Research Center; the US Department of Agriculture's Pacific Basin Agricultural Research Center; and the Hawai'i Department of Agriculture. Her diverse employment experience in private sector agricultural firms, at CTAHR, at HARC, and in government administration is reflected in her effectiveness in bringing different stakeholder groups together to work as a team and find equitable solutions to difficult problems.'

"It's significant to also note, and I want you to understand how her staff feels about Sandy. Earl Yamamoto, staff planner, who's been with the department for many, many years had this to say: 'She has a unique management style, and one outstanding attribute is her willingness to consider all options then acting to bring a concept to reality and make changes later to improve the law. The struggle to pass important agricultural land legislation spanned a generation and brought together, or at least within spitting distance of one another, deeply entrenched adversaries. Many compromises had to be made, but what resulted is a law with policy and guidance that is fundamentally sound to identify and protect important agricultural lands and increase the likelihood of their productive agricultural use.'

"I think we all want to hear from the users, if you will, or the people who are served by the Department of Agriculture so I think it's appropriate that I quote Dean Okimoto who is now the president of the Hawai'i Farm Bureau Federation. He says, 'We have had a good working relationship with Ms. Kunimoto as she has always kept an open-door policy with our organization to address the many issues facing the industry. We always felt that we could call her anytime we had a concern or just wanted to talk about different ideas or issues. Under her leadership, she has made positive changes within the department as well as improved interagency collaboration. We appreciate Ms. Kunimoto's efforts and willingness to work with the Farm Bureau and the agriculture industry throughout her last tenure and we look forward to a continuing productive relationship with her over the next four years.'

"I think all of these really speak to the broad depth of Sandy's ability to reach people and to advocate for the industry, and that has resulted, I think, in a very sound direction for our ag industry. As many of you know, yesterday we had Ag Awareness Day and it was an opportunity for many vendors, many people who advocate for various aspects of the industry to be here with us at the capitol, and all of them in unanimity support Sandy and her reconfirmation as the board Chair for the Board of Agriculture.

"Lastly, let me just quote a former employee of hers, a good friend of mine, actually, from the Big Island who served as her deputy for two years. She said, and this is a very simple quote, 'I will simply say that there is only one candidate for the post, and that is Sandy Kunimoto.'

"Colleagues, I really think that all of this testimony speaks to her abilities. You all know her personally, and it's my real pleasure to ask all of you to support her nomination as Chair for the Board of Agriculture.

"Thank you, Madam President."

Senator Slom rose to support the nominee as follows:

"Madam President, as a member of the Agriculture Committee and on behalf of the Minority I offer my strong support for Gov. Msg. No. 266 for Ms. Kunimoto.

"As the Chairman said, the testimony was overwhelming and it was unanimous. It came from a diverse group of participants in agriculture. One thing we've seen over the past four years because of the Senate and because of the leadership in this department, agricultural issues are once again on the front burner, as they should be. Agricultural issues show the importance of our food gathering and all of the people that are involved and the issues that are involved. The difference is that we have tremendous issues that have developed - emergency issues with food security, terrorism, water usage and so forth and Sandra Kunimoto has shown an ability not only to tackle these issues, but as the Chairman said, to bring many people together to the table - people that have different interests, different concerns. It's not to say that these issues have been solved, because they have not. They're going to go on, but she is the right person for this job.

"She does have leadership ability that she has exercised every day on the job and we've seen dramatic changes take place during the past four years. The quarantine changes themselves, after 90 years of stubborn status quo non-change we saw major changes take place in that area.

"We still are debating water usage and we have competing interest for that. We still are concerned about the security of our food and food supplies. All of these issues are extremely important, but she has shown the ability to go to where the problem is, to meet with the farmers, to get her hands dirty, to know what the issues really are.

"Her background – her academic background, her business background, her agricultural background – all are pluses that have helped all of the people and will continue to do that. She is a listener, but most importantly, she is someone who is action oriented, and once she has heard from disparate groups and individuals, she makes up her mind and she makes the tough choices. Again, not everyone is in agreement with all of the choices, but they are in agreement with her fairness and her ability to bring people together. They are confident that she is the person that can do the best job in this area which is going to continue to be most important.

"So it is with great pleasure that we offer our support to Ms. Kunimoto and ask all of our colleagues to do the same. Thank you, Madam President."

Senator Trimble rose with reservations and said:

"Madam President, I am now standing in front of you to offer reservations and those of my constituents.

"Colleagues, you may wonder why the Senator that represents Waikiki, the State Capitol, Kakaako rises in front with reservations about the Department of Agriculture because I represent a very urban district. I want to remind you that on March 6th there was much emotion on this Floor about GMO for taro. Genetically modified coffee was a hot issue. We as a body stand to appropriate tens of millions of dollars to confront evasive species. That was discussed on March 6th.

"I want to take you back another six weeks in time to January 23rd for a hearing at the Board of Agriculture that related to a request to import avian bird flu virus. The Board of Agriculture at the end of the hearing approved the University of Hawai'i Manoa to import avian influenza virus for laboratory research and animal inoculation studies involving laboratory mice. Avian influenza virus is not only foreign to our islands but it is also a deadly agent. Why are we even considering inviting a virus that we want to avoid? The research will be conducted in a biohazard laboratory III, level three, at the University of Hawai'i Medical School in Kakaako. The campus

itself is fraught with the threat of tsunamis and harbor security issues. Moreover, Kakaako is a gateway to our economic engine, Waikiki. It is neighbor to our harbors downtown and home to many residents.

"During the January 23rd Board of Agriculture hearing, the University of Hawai'i and the Department of Health testified in concert for virus samples for rapid field identification purposes. Their oral testimony did not reflect the true nature of the request for animal inoculation studies. Rapid identification is important. The Department of Health should assume that responsibility. The Board of Agriculture wants to allow the University of Hawai'i to import, study and destroy the virus and the mice that they infect with it. The importation request for animal inoculation studies is not drive by health or public safety but rather by grant money for the pockets of transplant researchers. As Board Chair, she made the recommendation to the Board in a six-to-one vote in favor of that importation.

"Colleagues, that sums up my reservation. I think the issue merits your close attention both today and in the remaining days of this Session.

"Thank you, Madam President."

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

Ayes, 25. Ayes with Reservations, 1 (Trimble). Noes, none.

At this time, Senator Kokubun introduced Ms. Kunimoto and her family to the members of the Senate.

At 12:18 o'clock p.m., the Senate stood in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

The Senate reconvened at 12:23 o'clock p.m.

FINAL READING

S.B. No. 14, S.D. 1, H.D. 1:

Senator Sakamoto moved that S.B. No. 14, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, having been read throughout, pass Final Reading, seconded by Senator Tokuda.

Senator Hemmings rose to speak against the measure as follows:

"Madam President, I rise to speak against this legislation.

"I guess there are a number of questions we could ask ourselves as a public policy body, a group of 25 Senators that are supposed to ruminate on issues and look them over and do our homework and make decisions that benefit the people of Hawai'i through the system by which they govern themselves. What we're doing here is quite obvious – we're changing the methodology of having nominees come for selection to the Board of Regents for the University of Hawai'i. But there are some questions that we should ask ourselves in voting on this bill today – why? And then once the bill will pass, which I'm sure it will, how it will be done.

"Why are we making the change? Well, I would suggest that it was not too long ago in the dark days of the recent past that there were some very serious problems in the University of Hawai'i. And I would suggest they were indeed political, but it was not a problem induced by the system. It was a problem induced by the selector of the regents and the rubber stamping, oftentimes, given to those nominees.

"What were the problems of the not-too-distant past? The Board of Regents having a vested interest in student housing, which was a bloody mess, and profiteering from it. Selection of a UH President that bypassed the selection commission set up to find an eligible candidate and basically acquiesced to what appears to be to the wishes of a certain downtown businessman and a United States Senator. To the credit of the current Board of Regents, that individual was fired. And also, it should be entered into the record once again that a good Senator on the Floor of this Senate was very instrumental in pointing out the unbelievable exploitation of the people of Hawaii's resources by that prior regents' selected President of the University of Hawai'i. What else? Our university professors were amongst the worst paid in the nation under prior regents.

"So we finally get a breath of fresh air in this process and we have a bipartisan system rather than a monopoly, rubberstamped regent selection process and we have a Governor who selects people based on the merit of their qualifications. And yes, some are Republican; and yes, some are Democrat. But first and foremost, they're qualified. And what do these regents do? They elevate our university to a status of greatness that it has not seen for many, many years. Who can deny the facts?

"The great thing we have on the Floor of this Senate and in a free society is that we have the oracle of truth that Madison referred to - that is experience. We know what happened in prior administrations and we know what's happening now. And what we have is a university with a wonderful President, David McClain, selected by this bipartisan qualified Board of Regents. What we have are university professors that are getting paid competitive salaries and are excited about the future of this state. What we have is a university that is now achieving cutting edge development and technologies that are going to benefit the economy and bring to the State of Hawai'i research dollars that were scarce in years gone by. What we have is a university Board of Regents that's fixing the student housing problem without trying to line their pockets in the process. What we have is a Board of Regents that sees a vision for the future of a West Oahu campus that some of the Legislators on this Floor I join in supporting very much.

"In fact, Madam President, about four years ago a very wise Legislator said to me that one of the real solutions to the problem with traffic is take the destinations to the people rather than trying to take the people to the UH. And you know what? I agree with that brilliant remark.

"We know what's happened. So we ask ourselves, well, why this piece of legislation? What problem are we solving? And what are we doing? I'll tell you what I think and possibly what the editors of the newspapers have editorialized against it in spite of the . . . by the way, because I know there'll be a popup soon to say that people voted on this through the amendment to the constitution. That doesn't mean we have to pass this legislation the way it's being passed. This is politics, barebones politics that take the whole process back to the dark days of the not-too-distant past where certain political elements and certain political interests are going to control the selection process to an advisory council controlled politically. And for what purpose?

"I would appeal to your political consciences on this and ask you to make a decision of what's best for the university and what's best for the system. Certainly the people that are running the university know what's best for them, including the University of Hawai'i President and, I might add, the Association of Governing Boards of Universities and Colleges who oppose this blatant attempt at politics.

"You know what? I disagree with the Governor sometimes, but she's not the problem. In this particular case, the evidence is overwhelming that she and her nominees to the Board of Regents have been part of the solution and this legislation takes us backwards to the university in the way it used to be run, or that's where it will take us.

"So I just wanted to enter my perspective on this on the record, Madam President. I'd ask my colleagues to vote their conscience, but this is a political vote and I know how it will turn out. I, for one, am voting 'no.'

"Thank you, Madam President."

Senator Sakamoto rose in support of the measure and stated:

"Madam President, I wish to speak in support of the measure.

"Just for everyone's reminder, yes, the people did vote and they did not vote in a vacuum. The proposed measure very similar to the one that we're voting on today was debated in the public forum by the Board Chair and one of the prominent members of our community, so the people did understand what they were voting on. The people don't just vote yes on every constitutional amendment, so they understand. I trust the people's vote.

"This measure will increase the Board of Regents. This measure will create an advisory committee of individuals that are very vital parts to our system – alumni; emeritus regents who've been former regents; the student leaders; the student caucuses; faculty caucuses; as well as the Governor; you, Madam President; and the Speaker of the House – to appoint people. The people appointed will have the responsibility of nominating or giving pools of nominees to the Governor for her selection, and these appointees that will be on this advisory committee shall be individuals who are widely viewed as having placed broad public interest ahead of special interest, of having achieved a high level of prominence in their respective professions, and being respected members of the community.

"Now, the previous speaker talked about the accomplishments of the current Board of Regents, and I'm not sure if he's having a 'senior moment' like our other speaker here, but just as a reminder, on this very Floor of the Senate, there were nominees from the current Governor that were rejected on this Floor, and in some cases, testimony against them was because they were of a political appointment not necessarily for the benefit of the university system. So change is needed.

"This isn't an amendment to the constitution only for this Governor. This is for the betterment of the whole system. I believe people can spout about oracles of truth, past experience, but certainly this measure moves our university away from the politics of a governor, any governor, being able to steer the university exclusively by the nominees, because the screening committee will look broadly and widely and come up with names for better people so the university system indeed can rise from where it's at to a higher potential. Certainly, we all want to support our university system.

"Finally, I really trust the people of Hawai'i knew what they were voting on and they do not want the system run the way it was. This isn't a disparaging comment against any specific regent, sitting or previous, but they've seen times when this doesn't sit right. Let's do it a better way, and this bill does provide a better way.

"Thank you."

Senator Hemmings rose in rebuttal and said:

"Madam President, I rise in rebuttal speaking against this legislation.

"Madam President, I don't have any syntax or cognitive problems. I'm not having a 'senior moment.' And I certainly know what I'm talking about because I've experienced it here on this Floor of the Senate and on the Floor of the Legislature as far back as the 80's. I know exactly what this is all about, and the previous speaker is exactly right. There have been times in the past – not so distant past in this case – that good nominees that happen to be Republicans were rejected on this Floor in what I consider to be advice and consent inquisitions where they are hung out to dry simply because of their political affiliation. And that's exactly why people should vote against this bill because this thing reeks of politics.

"This isn't making the system more open and bipartisan. It's making it closed in the very bill. You'll have no sunshine access to the decision-making process. Who are we kidding? This is a step back in the politics. Yes, there won't be anymore rejection of nominees on the Floor because they're coming from the very political entity that is passing judgment of them on this Floor. To imply that prior nominees were not qualified because they were a member of a political party is an insult. And I do know about the oracle of truth, and the truth is these regents are doing a good job despite the politicization in the nominee process by this Legislature and this Senate advise and consent.

"So please, if you're going to stand up and rebut my comments, I would ask the Majority Party please have some semblance of courtesy where they're not trying to insult me with 'senior moments.' I'm not having one, Madam President.

"Thank you."

Senator Hooser rose to support the measure as follows:

"Madam President, I rise in support of this measure.

"Madam President, this bill fundamentally implements the constitutional amendment that the voters overwhelmingly supported. The words on that amendment are very clear. The voters knew what they were doing. The question, 'Shall the Governor be required to select board of regent candidates from a pool of qualified candidates screened and proposed by a candidate advisory council for the Board of Regents of the University of Hawai'i as provided by law?' It's very clear what the voters were voting on. It's very clear the strength of their vote.

"In regards to the Minority Leader's memory loss, I'm not quite sure what's causing it, but I believe in fact that there's a significant lapse of memory, lapse of recognition. I remember the moment clearly, Madam President and colleagues. It was my very first Legislative Session and I was new, had never been to the Senate before, never been to the Floor, and sitting as Vice Chair of Education having, I believe it was, six candidates, it might have been five, looking at their resumes and doing some homework on them and finding that five of the six had been major contributors to various political campaigns. One of the candidates actually on their resume – about half the resume, maybe more – was talking about the various political campaigns that person had worked on. And I thought to myself, what poor judgment to put that on your resume because it had nothing to do whatsoever with their qualifications as a regent.

"After further investigation, it came that all of these people were prominent, connected, active in the political process,

several of them had their spouses, their husbands and wives, also appointed to high level important boards and commissions. I remember thinking to myself what happened to the 'new beginning'? What happened to reaching out into the community, to letting regular people on the street apply and be considered? It was really clear to me that this 'new beginning' had not lasted more than a month or two.

"Then after the hearings it became very clear also that not only was this process very heavily politicized, but a majority, or a significant number of those candidates had not done their homework, were not prepared, and in my opinion, not qualified to serve as regents. Consequently, this Body did not confirm several of them.

"After that Session was over with, a few months later in my mail, as many of us get these things in the mail, I got a policy brief - state policy brief number one - in September of 2003 from the American Association of Governing Boards of Universities and Colleges. Basically, this policy brief makes an argument for the very same thing we're voting on today. I'll read just a moment from it because I think it's important to realize this policy is grounded on best practices by the organization, again, that governs boards of universities and colleges. It says, 'This paper makes a case for establishing recruitment and screening panels to help governors appoint college and university trustees. In most states, governors have the responsibility and privilege to make appointments to many boards and commissions, but pressures from campaign donors and special interest groups sometimes compromise efforts to identify the most deserving and experienced citizens for higher education trusteeships.' And then it goes on to talk about how important these were and how important it is to rid the process of these political pressures. And it says, 'No selection process is perfect, but a rigorous process sends a message to the public and to those being considered for trusteeships that the work of these citizen boards matter and is important to the public's welfare, the quality of life in the state, and to economic development.' These are not my words. These are the words of the Association of Governing Boards of Universities and Colleges.

"If you look at this measure, you look at the recommendations that are being made in the bill that we're voting on today, they contain many of these recommendations. And for those and many, many other reasons, I urge me colleagues to vote in support.

"Thank you, Madam President."

Senator Slom rose to speak against the measure and said:

"Madam President, I was going to sit here nicely and just watch the vote roll in and all that, but things have been said that I just can't sit still for.

"When we're talking about 'senior moments,' why, I'm the king of 'senior moments' here. Every moment for me is senior. But there's nothing wrong with my memory either. I remember things that were said. I remember things that were done.

"Where to start, where to start . . . well, let's start with the people voting for the constitutional amendment proposal. It was not because the people demanded that we change the rules and the constitution. They weren't outside with bullhorns and red shirts like the rodeo Senator's friends today. It was us here in the Senate. We decided what we wanted to do – well at least the Majority did – decided what we wanted to do. And yes, the people voted for it, and I don't have any qualms about that. I don't want to argue. I will accept what the people did, just as they voted to require that those on the court retire at the age that

the constitution said despite a great deal of lobbying and a great deal of discussion from here.

"I also remember a Senator in this very Body talking numerous times about how he didn't mind raising taxes if it would go for the poor and for the keiki, and then we found out he didn't pay his own taxes. But that's another 'senior moment.'

"When we say here that this has got nothing to with politics or that we're going to turn away from politics, come on! Don't insult us seniors. Don't insult anybody in the public. This is all about politics, and more importantly, it's all about power. It is the power the Legislature, and particularly the Senate, wresting power from the evil fifth floor. And the best news is that it doesn't even have to be a Republican all the time, although for 40 years all of these policies were fine. And those of us, again, that are senior that have memories remember voting for the candidates and the nominees of the then Democrat Governor. And we also remember voting and looking at the sheets – the qualification sheets - that always listed down at the bottom political party. And you know, in the 11 years that I was here or to the seven years prior to this administration's taking that off the form, I very rarely ever saw anybody that had the guts enough to put down 'I'm a Republican.' Everybody was a Democrat – everybody was a Democrat. But it didn't matter. It didn't matter for several reasons because if the individual was qualified and if the Governor appointed that person, then if we really believe in separation of powers and we really believe in accountability then we hold that Governor accountable for the people that he or she appoints. And we don't want to go into those prior hearings, which did get good television ratings and good attendance ratings, but besmirched the characters of very good individuals who were volunteering to help out in our state.

"I find it so interesting in all of the ramifications of this bill—number one, we're going to improve the university by increasing the number of regents. Why? How? And why do we increase it just by three? Why not by five, or by ten, or by fifteen? What's the magic of that number? What's the magic in the number that says that the advisory council can only provide a list of two to four names? Why not six, or eight, or ten, or twelve names? Where's the magic in that?

"And the fact that here we are celebrating the $100^{\rm th}$ anniversary of our university, my university, and our university said, 'We don't want this bill. We don't want this change.' But we don't care because we're the Senate.

"And as far as the Association of Governing Boards of Universities and Colleges, yes, the good Senator from the Garden Island mentioned some of the things that they would like to see done, but the bottom line is their opposition to this bill and to this change. That's what they said; they didn't change. It's kind of like when we go to a hearing and somebody says, 'well, I don't like the bill but if you're going to really do it anyway, I would prefer if at least you made these kinds of amendments and modifications.' And that's what we

"Two more things that I find really interesting – I've been here 11 years now, and for each of the 11 years I've introduced a bill on term limits for us, and for each of those 11 years, we never got a hearing on that bill for us. We can tell the Governor to have term limits. We applaud the Mayor's term limits and the City Council's term limits, and now in this bill we're going to have term limits for the regents but not for us. Why? Because we're the Senate.

"Oh, and one more thing – there is a provision in this bill that exempts the advisory members from the sunshine law. Hey,

didn't we just celebrate sunshine week a week ago? It was hard to do it because it was kind of overcast and cloudy, and the news media are having trouble getting information from our various state departments like Department of Transportation. And we pass these things and we exempt ourselves and now we're exempting this group.

"So is the population really going to be better served when they don't know what these deliberations are all about? I don't think so. But if you want to continue to believe that this is going to take politics out of this process then of course you have the votes to do it and you will do it. Will it make for a better university? No. Will it make for better quality regents? No. Will it limit individuals who are willing to serve and qualified to serve? Absolutely. And that's what this bill is all about and that's what this process is all about.

"So, we will vote. The good Minority Leader said vote our conscience. I wish that were always the case, but unfortunately we don't vote our conscience. We have kind of a herd mentality here and we kind of take a position and a trend, and that trend is we are the Senate. We're going to take the power wherever we can get it, and then we wonder why people on the outside say we're becoming more and more irrelevant. We're not listening to the people who demand real changes and who demand transparency and accountability. So think about that when you vote.

"Thank you, Madam President."

At 12:54 o'clock p.m., the Senate stood in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

The Senate reconvened at 12:59 o'clock p.m.

Senator Inouye requested her vote be cast "aye, with reservations," and the Chair so ordered.

Senator Sakamoto rose and said:

"May I have additional comments inserted into the Journal, please?"

The Chair having so ordered, Senator Sakamoto's additional remarks read as follows:

Real change is needed in selection process for UH regents EDUCATION MATTERS

"DURING the past few years, we in the Legislature have heard a growing chorus of concern about appointments to the University of Hawai'i Board of Regents. In particular, we face questions regarding conflicts of interest and issues with sitting regents. There have been hints of appointments being made for political payback instead of vision and advocacy. Seats on the Board of Regents have become political plums, instead of positions with a singular focus on elevating our state university system to great heights. It seems that the main qualification for a position on the board has become what you have done for a political insider, and not what you will do for the future of our university.

"And yet we legislators have long made it our goal to support our university. One example is the greater autonomy that has been granted to the UH system over the years, including giving the UH control over its tuition rates.

"We have come to a greater awareness of the connection of the university to our workforce. We recognize that the economic well-being of our state and our Asia Pacific neighbors will be greatly affected by the ability of the Board of Regents to fuel inspiration, prioritize the myriad possibilities and reward the dedication of those who are committed to advanced education in our state.

"Your elected members of the Legislature want the University of Hawai'i to excel, thrive and soar.

"Based on those concerns, and after much deliberation, the people of Hawai'i were asked whether to amend the state Constitution to allow an advisory council to assist in naming the members of the Board of Regents. The proposed council would present to the governor a list of nominees qualified to help navigate our educational fleet from the realm of great ideas, through the challenges of planning and implementation, to the success we should find reflected in our system, our state and our students.

"The proposal was the subject of a great deal of public debate. The current chairwoman of the Board of Regents took the lead in defending the current structure. The exchange of ideas was vigorous, and both sides honed their messages and presented their positions clearly and professionally.

"IN THE end, the voters said 'Yes.' The people chose change, not the status quo. But the question remained: What would the new council look like?

"We attempted to answer this question last session. The Legislature passed Senate Bill 1256 in 2006, but the governor vetoed that measure, calling it premature. The measure was reintroduced this year based on the voters' call for change.

"We want to respect and honor the voters' choice and we indeed have no other option. We have a responsibility to bring life to the express wishes of Hawaii's voters. The Constitution was amended to change the process. We have an obligation to act as agents for that change.

"The Senate Committee on Education provided an opportunity for all interested parties to present concerns regarding our proposed advisory council, as set forth in Senate Bill 14. When the administration did not submit written testimony at the hearing on this bill, we contacted the governor's education point person, her senior policy adviser. We asked for the governor's input on SB14.

"INSTEAD, we received comments on Senate Bill 617, which had been introduced at the governor's request, stating that the governor should choose the council and appoint its chairman. It was clear that they felt the governor's wish to maintain control superseded the people's unequivocal call to remove politics from the equation. They denied the need for change, ignored the call for change and fought our efforts to bring about change.

"The governor's bill called for a council appointed by the governor, and whose terms would run with that of the governor. In essence, the governor's proposal would replace one hand-picked board with another. It would allow a committee of surrogates to do for the governor what the public has said she should not be able to do for herself. The public has called for real change. We cannot in good conscience allow the formality of a council of surrogates to stand in for the reality of a council of outstanding individuals who share a commitment to rising above partisan politics and provincial concerns. The public has called for real change, and we will deliver real change."

The motion was put by the Chair and carried, the Senate agreed to the amendments proposed by the House to S.B. No. 14, S.D. 1, and S.B. No. 14, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF

HAWAII," having been read throughout, passed Final Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 18. Ayes with Reservations, 1 (Inouye). Noes, 4 (Gabbard, Hemmings, Slom, Trimble). Excused, 3 (Fukunaga, Nishihara, Taniguchi).

RE-REFERRAL OF HOUSE BILLS

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

House Bill Referred to:

No. 30, H.D. 2 Committee on Ways and Means

No. 1037, H.D. 1 Jointly to the Committee on Water, Land, Agriculture and Hawaiian Affairs, the Committee on Intergovernmental and Military Affairs and the Committee on Energy and Environment

RE-REFERRAL OF SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

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

Senate Concurrent

Resolution Referred to:

No. 114 Jointly to the Committee on Energy and Environment and the Committee on Water, Land, Agriculture and Hawaiian Affairs

No. 136 Jointly to the Committee on Human Services and Public Housing and the Committee on Health

RE-REFERRAL OF A SENATE RESOLUTION

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

Senate

Resolution Referred to:

No. 71 Jointly to the Committee on Energy and Environment and the Committee on Water, Land, Agriculture and Hawaiian Affairs

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

On motion by Senator Ige, seconded by Senator Whalen and carried unanimously, the Senate authorized the adoption of standing committee reports recommending that Senate concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions be referred to committees of last referral. The Clerk was further authorized to receive and refer Governor's Messages transmitting nominations and appointments. In consequence thereof, and subsequent to its recessing at 1:01 o'clock p.m., the Senate took the following actions on the following resolutions, governor's messages and standing committee reports:

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR

Gov. Msg. No. 681, submitting for consideration and consent, the nomination of RANDAL VALENCIANO to the office of Judge, Circuit Court of the Fifth 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 and Labor.

Gov. Msg. No. 682, submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Commission on Water Resource Management, the nomination of JAMES A. FRAZIER, term to expire June 30, 2011, was referred to the Committee on Water, Land, Agriculture and Hawaiian Affairs.

Gov. Msg. No. 683, submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Wireless Enhanced 911 Board, the nomination of VICTOR K. RAMOS, term to expire June 30, 2008, was referred to the Committee on Public Safety.

Gov. Msg. No. 684, submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Hawaii State Board of Public Accountancy, the nomination of WILLIAM L. WONG, term to expire June 30, 2009, was referred to the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Affordable Housing.

Gov. Msg. No. 685, submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Civil Rights Commission, the nomination of BRYAN P. ANDAYA, term to expire June 30, 2011, was referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor.

Gov. Msg. No. 686, submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Civil Rights Commission, the nomination of MARK G. VALENCIA, term to expire June 30, 2009, was referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor.

Gov. Msg. No. 687, submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Education Commission of the States, the nomination of ROSE Y. TSENG, term to expire June 30, 2010, was referred to the Committee on Education.

Gov. Msg. No. 688, submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Policy Advisory Board for Elder Affairs, the nomination of EUDICE R. SCHICK, term to expire June 30, 2009, was referred to the Committee on Health.

Gov. Msg. No. 689, submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Policy Advisory Board for Elder Affairs, the nomination of MARY ALEY WILKINSON, term to expire June 30, 2011, was referred to the Committee on Health.

Gov. Msg. No. 690, submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Elevator Mechanics Licensing Board, the nomination of MARC KEALA MITSUO YAMANE, term to expire June 30, 2011, was referred to the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Affordable Housing.

Gov. Msg. No. 691, submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Emergency Medical Services Advisory Committee, the nomination of JAMES ITAMURA, term to expire June 30, 2011, was referred to the Committee on Health.

Gov. Msg. No. 692, submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Tri-Isle Subarea Health Planning Council, the nomination of JO-ANN AHUNA, term to expire June 30, 2010, was referred to the Committee on Health.

Gov. Msg. No. 693, submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Statewide Health Coordinating Council, the nomination of ELIZABETH G. FLETCHER, term to expire June 30, 2009, was referred to the Committee on Health.

Gov. Msg. No. 694, submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Health Planning Council, West Oahu Subarea, the nomination of MARK STEVEN MOSES, term to expire June 30, 2011, was referred to the Committee on Health.

- Gov. Msg. No. 695, submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Health Planning Council, Honolulu Subarea, the nomination of SARAH H. NORDWALL, term to expire June 30, 2011, was referred to the Committee on Health.
- Gov. Msg. No. 696, submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Health Planning Council, West Oahu Subarea, the nomination of ANNE H. ATKINSON, term to expire June 30, 2011, was referred to the Committee on Health.
- Gov. Msg. No. 697, submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Board of Directors of the Hawai'i Health Systems Corporation, the nomination of LORETTA ANNE HELLRUNG, term to expire June 30, 2009, was referred to the Committee on Health.
- Gov. Msg. No. 698, submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Board of Directors of the Hawai'i Health Systems Corporation, the nomination of FRANCIS L. JUNG, term to expire June 30, 2011, was referred to the Committee on Health
- Gov. Msg. No. 699, submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Board of Directors of the Hawai'i Housing Finance and Development Corporation (HFD), the nomination of RICHARD TOLEDO JR., term to expire June 30, 2009, was referred to the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Affordable Housing.
- Gov. Msg. No. 700, submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Statewide Council on Independent Living, the nomination of LOUISE R. HORIO, term to expire June 30, 2008, was referred to the Committee on Human Services and Public Housing.
- Gov. Msg. No. 701, submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Statewide Council on Independent Living, the nomination of NATHAN E. SAY, term to expire June 30, 2010, was referred to the Committee on Human Services and Public Housing.
- Gov. Msg. No. 702, submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Island Burial Council, Island of Oahu, the nomination of CY M. BRIDGES, term to expire June 30, 2011, was referred to the Committee on Water, Land, Agriculture and Hawaiian Affairs.
- Gov. Msg. No. 703, submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Land Use Commission, the nomination of VLADIMIR PAUL DEVENS, term to expire June 30, 2011, was referred to the Committee on Water, Land, Agriculture and Hawaiian Affairs.
- Gov. Msg. No. 704, submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Motor Vehicle Repair Industry Board, the nomination of LEE ROGERS CHAMPION, term to expire June 30, 2010, was referred to the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Affordable Housing.
- Gov. Msg. No. 705, submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Motor Vehicle Repair Industry Board, the nomination of MICHELLE W.J. WONG, term to expire June 30, 2010, was referred to the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Affordable Housing.
- Gov. Msg. No. 706, submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Board of Directors of the Hawai'i Public Housing Authority (PHA), the nomination of KAULANA H.R. PARK, term to expire June 30, 2009, was referred to the Committee on Human Services and Public Housing.

- Gov. Msg. No. 707, submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Board of Registration of the Island of Oahu, the nomination of VICTORIA A. FRANCO, term to expire June 30, 2011, was referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor
- Gov. Msg. No. 708, submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Board of Speech Pathology and Audiology, the nomination of JENNY C. WELLS, term to expire June 30, 2010, was referred to the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Affordable Housing.
- Gov. Msg. No. 709, submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Board of Directors of the Hawai'i Strategic Development Corporation, the nomination of ROLAND VILORIA RESURRECCION, term to expire June 30, 2011, was referred to the Committee on Economic Development and Taxation.
- Gov. Msg. No. 710, submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Board of Directors of the Hawai'i Strategic Development Corporation, the nomination of ANNE L. SYLVESTER, term to expire June 30, 2009, was referred to the Committee on Economic Development and Taxation.
- Gov. Msg. No. 711, submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Board of Directors of the Hawai'i Strategic Development Corporation, the nomination of EDWARD H. W. YOUNG, term to expire June 30, 2011, was referred to the Committee on Economic Development and Taxation.
- Gov. Msg. No. 712, submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Hawai'i Teacher Standards Board, the nomination of KELLY MICHELE NOELANI CASTELLANO, term to expire June 30, 2010, was referred to the Committee on Education.
- Gov. Msg. No. 713, submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Hawai'i Teacher Standards Board, the nomination of JONATHAN GILLENTINE, term to expire June 30, 2010, was referred to the Committee on Education.
- Gov. Msg. No. 714, submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Hawai'i Teacher Standards Board, the nomination of ANNETTE A. NISHIKAWA, term to expire June 30, 2010, was referred to the Committee on Education.
- Gov. Msg. No. 715, submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Hawai'i Teacher Standards Board, the nomination of ALVIN NAAWAO PARKER, term to expire June 30, 2010, was referred to the Committee on Education.
- Gov. Msg. No. 716, submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Hawai'i Teacher Standards Board, the nomination of LORILENE ANALEI KARRATTI PEREIRA, term to expire June 30, 2009, was referred to the Committee on Education.
- Gov. Msg. No. 717, submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Hawai'i Teacher Standards Board, the nomination of GAIL EDYTH WEAVER, term to expire June 30, 2009, was referred to the Committee on Education.
- Gov. Msg. No. 718, submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Hawai'i Teacher Standards Board, the nomination of CAROLINE SUE WONG, term to expire June 30, 2010, was referred to the Committee on Education.
- Gov. Msg. No. 719, submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Statewide Health Coordinating Council, the

nomination of JO-ANN AHUNA, term to expire June 30, 2010, was referred to the Committee on Health.

Gov. Msg. No. 720, submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Statewide Health Coordinating Council, the nomination of MARK STEVEN MOSES, term to expire June 30, 2011, was referred to the Committee on Health.

Gov. Msg. No. 721, submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Board of Directors of the Hawai'i Strategic Development Corporation, the nomination of GLENN S. YAMADA, term to expire June 30, 2011, was referred to the Committee on Economic Development and Taxation.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Senator Fukunaga, for the Committee on Economic Development and Taxation, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1371) recommending that S.C.R. No. 115, as amended in S.D. 1, be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator Ige, seconded by Senator Whalen and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 115, S.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION TO CODIFY THE LANGUAGE OF THE REFERENCES TO INTERNAL REVENUE CODE PROVISIONS IN SECTION 235-110.7, HAWAII REVISED STATUTES," was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senators Inouye and English, for the Committee on Intergovernmental and Military Affairs and the Committee on Transportation and International Affairs, presented a joint report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1372) recommending that S.C.R. No. 109, as amended in S.D. 1, be referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor.

On motion by Senator Ige, seconded by Senator Whalen and carried, the joint report of the Committees was adopted and S.C.R. No. 109, S.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION RESPECTFULLY REQUESTING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO CREATE A REPLACEMENT FOR THE OUTDATED FAST TRACK TRADE AUTHORITY SYSTEM SO THAT UNITED STATES TRADE AGREEMENTS ARE DEVELOPED AND IMPLEMENTED USING A MORE DEMOCRATIC, INCLUSIVE MECHANISM THAT ENSHRINES THE PRINCIPLES OF FEDERALISM AND STATE SOVEREIGNTY," was referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor.

Senators Inouye and English, for the Committee on Intergovernmental and Military Affairs and the Committee on Transportation and International Affairs, presented a joint report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1373) recommending that S.R. No. 66, as amended in S.D. 1, be referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor.

On motion by Senator Ige, seconded by Senator Whalen and carried, the joint report of the Committees was adopted and S.R. No. 66, S.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE RESOLUTION RESPECTFULLY REQUESTING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO CREATE A REPLACEMENT FOR THE OUTDATED FAST TRACK TRADE AUTHORITY SYSTEM SO THAT UNITED STATES TRADE AGREEMENTS ARE DEVELOPED AND IMPLEMENTED USING A MORE DEMOCRATIC, INCLUSIVE MECHANISM THAT ENSHRINES THE PRINCIPLES OF FEDERALISM AND STATE SOVEREIGNTY," was referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor.

Senator Hee, for the Committee on Judiciary and Labor, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1374) recommending that S.C.R. No. 178 be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

On motion by Senator Ige, seconded by Senator Whalen and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 178, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE AUDITOR TO CONDUCT A STUDY ON THE IMPACT OF VOLUNTARY EMPLOYEES' BENEFICIARY ASSOCIATION TRUSTS ON PUBLIC EMPLOYEES AND EMPLOYERS AND TO PROVIDE A BASIS FOR THE LEGISLATURE TO DECIDE WHETHER TO EXTEND ACT 245, SESSION LAWS OF HAWAII 2005," was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senator English, for the Committee on Transportation and International Affairs, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1375) recommending that S.C.R. No. 6 be referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor.

On motion by Senator Ige, seconded by Senator Whalen and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 6, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE CONVENING OF A TASK FORCE TO RECOMMEND A PROCESS TO CREATE A CITIZEN ROAD WATCH PROGRAM," was referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor.

Senator English, for the Committee on Transportation and International Affairs, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1376) recommending that S.C.R. No. 98, as amended in S.D. 1, be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator Ige, seconded by Senator Whalen and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 98, S.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE AUDITOR TO CONDUCT A PERFORMANCE AUDIT OF THE TRAFFIC SAFETY FUNCTION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION," was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senator Taniguchi, for the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Affordable Housing, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1377) recommending that S.C.R. No. 35 be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator Ige, seconded by Senator Whalen and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 35, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING A SUNRISE REVIEW ON THE REGISTRATION OF PROVIDERS OF DEBTMANAGEMENT SERVICES," was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senator Taniguchi, for the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Affordable Housing, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1378) recommending that S.C.R. No. 75, as amended in S.D. 1, be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator Ige, seconded by Senator Whalen and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 75, S.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE AUDITOR TO PERFORM A SUNRISE ANALYSIS OF THE REGULATION OF DESTINATION CLUBS AND THOSE WHO MARKET THEM," was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senator Taniguchi, for the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Affordable Housing, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1379) recommending that S.C.R. No. 127 be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator Ige, seconded by Senator Whalen and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 127, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING A SUNRISE REVIEW OF THE REGULATION OF BAIL BONDING AGENTS AND THE BAIL BOND INDUSTRY," was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senator Taniguchi, for the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Affordable Housing, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1380) recommending that S.C.R. No. 160, as amended in S.D. 1, be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator Ige, seconded by Senator Whalen and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 160, S.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING A SUNRISE REVIEW OF THE REGULATION OF ENTITIES GOVERNED BY CHAPTER 514A OR 514B, HAWAII REVISED STATUTES, AND THE ENFORCEMENT OF POLICIES RELATING TO CONDOMINIUMS IN THE STATE THROUGH THE CREATION OF A CONDOMINIUM COMMISSION," was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senator Ige, for the Committee on Health, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1381) recommending that S.C.R. No. 209 be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator Ige, seconded by Senator Whalen and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 209, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE AUDITOR TO STUDY THE SOCIAL AND FINANCIAL IMPACT OF MANDATORY HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR USE OF THE LG1 INTELLIGENT MEDICAL VIGILANCE SYSTEM," was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senator Ige, for the Committee on Health, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1382) recommending that S.C.R. No. 211 be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator Ige, seconded by Senator Whalen and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 211, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU TO CANVASS LEGISLATION IN OTHER STATES TARGETED SPECIFICALLY AT REDUCING NEGATIVE MEDICAL OUTCOMES," was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senator Ige, for the Committee on Health, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1383) recommending that S.R. No. 135 be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator Ige, seconded by Senator Whalen and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.R. No. 135, entitled: "SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE AUDITOR TO STUDY THE SOCIAL AND FINANCIAL IMPACT OF MANDATORY HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR USE OF THE LG1 INTELLIGENT MEDICAL VIGILANCE SYSTEM," was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senators Sakamoto and English, for the Committee on Education and the Committee on Transportation and

International Affairs, presented a joint report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1384) recommending that S.C.R. No. 66, as amended in S.D. 1, be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator Ige, seconded by Senator Whalen and carried, the joint report of the Committees was adopted and S.C.R. No. 66, S.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII TO CHARGE RESIDENT TUITION TO PACIFIC ISLAND STUDENTS; PROVIDED THE RATE IS OFFERED ON A NEEDS-BASED BASIS," was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senator Sakamoto, for the Committee on Education, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1385) recommending that S.C.R. No. 224, as amended in S.D. 1, be referred to the Committee on Transportation and International Affairs.

On motion by Senator Ige, seconded by Senator Whalen and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 224, S.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE CENTER FOR PACIFIC ISLAND STUDIES AT THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII AT MANOA TO ESTABLISH A TASK FORCE TO IDENTIFY AND ADDRESS THE NEEDS OF PACIFIC ISLANDERS IN HAWAII," was referred to the Committee on Transportation and International Affairs.

Senator Sakamoto, for the Committee on Education, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1386) recommending that S.R. No. 147, as amended in S.D. 1, be referred to the Committee on Transportation and International Affairs.

On motion by Senator Ige, seconded by Senator Whalen and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.R. No. 147, S.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE CENTER FOR PACIFIC ISLAND STUDIES AT THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII AT MANOA TO ESTABLISH A TASK FORCE TO IDENTIFY AND ADDRESS THE NEEDS OF PACIFIC ISLANDERS IN HAWAII," was referred to the Committee on Transportation and International Affairs.

Senator Kokubun, for the Committee on Water, Land, Agriculture and Hawaiian Affairs, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1387) recommending that S.C.R. No. 25, as amended in S.D. 1, be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means

On motion by Senator Ige, seconded by Senator Whalen and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 25, S.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A TERM, NON-EXCLUSIVE SURFACE EASEMENT AT KAHALUU, NORTH KONA, HAWAII," was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senator Kokubun, for the Committee on Water, Land, Agriculture and Hawaiian Affairs, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1388) recommending that S.C.R. No. 152 be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator Ige, seconded by Senator Whalen and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 152, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING THE OFFICE OF HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS AND THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH TO NEGOTIATE A SETTLEMENT REGARDING THE INCOME AND PROCEEDS FROM THE PUBLIC LAND TRUST," was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senator Kokubun, for the Committee on Water, Land, Agriculture and Hawaiian Affairs, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1389) recommending that S.R. No. 105 be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator Ige, seconded by Senator Whalen and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.R. No. 105, entitled: "SENATE RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING THE OFFICE OF HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS AND THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH TO NEGOTIATE A SETTLEMENT REGARDING THE INCOME AND PROCEEDS FROM THE PUBLIC LAND TRUST," was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senators Chun Oakland and Hee, for the Committee on Human Services and Public Housing and the Committee on Judiciary and Labor, presented a joint report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1390) recommending that S.C.R. No. 9 be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator Ige, seconded by Senator Whalen and carried, the joint report of the Committees was adopted and S.C.R. No. 9, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE OFFICE OF THE AUDITOR TO ASSESS THE FAMILY COURT'S HANDLING OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE MATTERS IN THE FIRST CIRCUIT FAMILY COURT," was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senators Chun Oakland and Hee, for the Committee on Human Services and Public Housing and the Committee on Judiciary and Labor, presented a joint report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1391) recommending that S.C.R. No. 11 be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator Ige, seconded by Senator Whalen and carried, the joint report of the Committees was adopted and S.C.R. No. 11, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU TO STUDY CUSTODY EVALUATOR TRAINING MODELS APPLIED BY OTHER JURISDICTIONS," was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senators Chun Oakland and Hee, for the Committee on Human Services and Public Housing and the Committee on Judiciary and Labor, presented a joint report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1392) recommending that S.C.R. No. 12, as amended in S.D. 1, be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator Ige, seconded by Senator Whalen and carried, the joint report of the Committees was adopted and S.C.R. No. 12, S.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU TO STUDY JOINT OR SHARED PHYSICAL AND LEGAL CUSTODY PRESUMPTIONS IN FAMILY LAW AS ENACTED AND APPLIED BY OTHER JURISDICTIONS," was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senator Chun Oakland, for the Committee on Human Services and Public Housing, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1393) recommending that S.C.R. No. 16 be referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor.

On motion by Senator Ige, seconded by Senator Whalen and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 16, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE COMMITTEES ON HUMAN SERVICES AND THE COMMITTEES ON JUDICIARY OF THE SENATE AND THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

TO RECONVENE THE SCR 52 TASK FORCE TO FURTHER STUDY RECOMMENDATIONS MADE BY THE SCR 52 TASK FORCE COMMITTEES," was referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor.

Senator Chun Oakland, for the Committee on Human Services and Public Housing, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1394) recommending that S.C.R. No. 20 be referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor.

On motion by Senator Ige, seconded by Senator Whalen and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 20, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE HAWAII STATE LEGISLATURE AND THE GOVERNOR TO RESPECT CHILDREN'S RIGHTS WHEN ENACTING LEGISLATION RELATED TO CHILDREN," was referred to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor.

Senator Chun Oakland, for the Committee on Human Services and Public Housing, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1395) recommending that S.C.R. No. 71 be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator Ige, seconded by Senator Whalen and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 71, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A LEGISLATIVE INTERIM TASK FORCE TO STUDY AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE CREATION OF UNIVERSAL CHILDREN'S SAVINGS ACCOUNTS," was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senator Chun Oakland, for the Committee on Human Services and Public Housing, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1396) recommending that S.C.R. No. 81 be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator Ige, seconded by Senator Whalen and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 81, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE AUDITOR TO CONDUCT A FINANCIAL AND PROGRAM AUDIT OF HAWAII'S INDEPENDENT LIVING CENTER," was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senator Chun Oakland, for the Committee on Human Services and Public Housing, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1397) recommending that S.C.R. No. 142, as amended in S.D. 1, be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator Ige, seconded by Senator Whalen and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 142, S.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU TO STUDY OTHER STATES' ADULT PROTECTIVE SERVICES AND COMPARE THEM TO HAWAII'S ADULT PROTECTIVE SERVICES," was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senator Chun Oakland, for the Committee on Human Services and Public Housing, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1398) recommending that S.R. No. 96, as amended in S.D. 1, be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator Ige, seconded by Senator Whalen and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.R. No. 96, S.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU TO STUDY OTHER STATES' ADULT PROTECTIVE SERVICES AND COMPARE THEM TO HAWAII'S ADULT PROTECTIVE

SERVICES," was referred to the Committee on Ways and

Senator Chun Oakland, for the Committee on Human Services and Public Housing, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1399) recommending that S.C.R. No. 213 be referred to the Committee on Health.

On motion by Senator Ige, seconded by Senator Whalen and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 213, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE GOVERNOR TO FUND BREAST CANCER AND CERVICAL CANCER SCREENING FOR LOW-INCOME WOMEN IN HAWAII," was referred to the Committee on Health.

Senator Chun Oakland, for the Committee on Human Services and Public Housing, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1400) recommending that S.R. No. 137 be referred to the Committee on Health.

On motion by Senator Ige, seconded by Senator Whalen and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.R. No. 137, entitled: "SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE GOVERNOR TO FUND BREAST CANCER AND CERVICAL CANCER SCREENING FOR LOW-INCOME WOMEN IN HAWAII," was referred to the Committee on Health.

Senator Chun Oakland, for the Committee on Human Services and Public Housing, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1401) recommending that S.C.R. No. 48, as amended in S.D. 1, be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator Ige, seconded by Senator Whalen and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 48, S.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE HAWAII DISABILITY RIGHTS CENTER TO PROVIDE AN ANALYSIS OF THE LAWS GOVERNING ITS ACCESS TO PATIENT RECORDS AND ITS POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR CONDUCTING INVESTIGATIONS," was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senator Chun Oakland, for the Committee on Human Services and Public Housing, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1402) recommending that S.C.R. No. 99, as amended in S.D. 1, be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator Ige, seconded by Senator Whalen and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 99, S.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE AUDITOR TO CONDUCT A PROGRAM AND FINANCIAL AUDIT OF HONOLULU COMMUNITY ACTION PROGRAM," was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senator Chun Oakland, for the Committee on Human Services and Public Housing, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1403) recommending that S.C.R. No. 143, as amended in S.D. 1, be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator Ige, seconded by Senator Whalen and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 143, S.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU TO STUDY RESPITE CARE AND REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES TO PROVIDE AN INVENTORY OF THE RESPITE SERVICES PROVIDED IN HAWAII," was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senator Chun Oakland, for the Committee on Human Services and Public Housing, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1404) recommending that S.R. No. 97, as amended in S.D. 1, be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator Ige, seconded by Senator Whalen and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.R. No. 97, S.D. I, entitled: "SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU TO STUDY RESPITE CARE AND REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES TO PROVIDE AN INVENTORY OF THE RESPITE SERVICES PROVIDED IN HAWAII," was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senator Chun Oakland, for the Committee on Human Services and Public Housing, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1405) recommending that S.C.R. No. 144, as amended in S.D. 1, be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator Ige, seconded by Senator Whalen and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 144, S.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES TO REPORT TO THE LEGISLATURE REGARDING WHAT IMPACT A CASH AND COUNSELING PROGRAM WOULD HAVE ON MEDICAID AND ADULT SERVICES PROGRAMS," was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senator Chun Oakland, for the Committee on Human Services and Public Housing, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1406) recommending that S.R. No. 98, as amended in S.D. 1, be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator Ige, seconded by Senator Whalen and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.R. No. 98, S.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES TO REPORT TO THE LEGISLATURE REGARDING WHAT IMPACT A CASH AND COUNSELING PROGRAM WOULD HAVE ON MEDICAID AND ADULT SERVICES PROGRAMS," was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senator Chun Oakland, for the Committee on Human Services and Public Housing, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1407) recommending that S.C.R. No. 147, as amended in S.D. 1, be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator Ige, seconded by Senator Whalen and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 147, S.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE HAWAII PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY TO REPORT ON PROJECT SPENDING," was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senator Chun Oakland, for the Committee on Human Services and Public Housing, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1408) recommending that S.R. No. 100, as amended in S.D. 1, be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator Ige, seconded by Senator Whalen and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.R. No. 100, S.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE HAWAII PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY TO REPORT ON PROJECT SPENDING," was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senators Sakamoto and Kokubun, for the Committee on Education and the Committee on Water, Land, Agriculture and Hawaiian Affairs, presented a joint report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1409) recommending that S.C.R. No. 74, as amended in S.D. 1, be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator Ige, seconded by Senator Whalen and carried, the joint report of the Committees was adopted and S.C.R. No. 74, S.D. 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE AUDITOR TO CONDUCT A FINANCIAL, PROGRAM, AND MANAGEMENT AUDIT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION'S HAWAIIAN STUDIES PROGRAM," was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

ADJOURNMENT

At 6:00 o'clock p.m., the Senate adjourned until 11:30 o'clock a.m., Monday, April 2, 2007.