

THIRD DAY

Friday, January 22, 2010

The Senate of the Twenty-Fifth Legislature of the State of Hawai'i, Regular Session of 2010, convened at 11:43 a.m. with the President in the Chair.

The Divine Blessing was invoked by Mr. Marvin Nitta, Office of the Honorable Robert Bunda, Hawai'i State Senate, after which the Roll was called showing all Senators present.

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

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

Senators Hemmings, Baker, Green, Gabbard, Tsutsui, Galuteria, Nishihara, Kidani, Hooser, Sakamoto, Tokuda, Chun Oakland, and Kokubun introduced the following student shadows: Shahlo Tohirova, Tajikistan; Selbi Akmyradova, Turkmenistan; Zaky Mekkioui, Morocco; Zakaria Rami, Morocco; Anna Ivanova, Russia; Al-Gassim Mohammad Sharaf Addin, Yemen; Baher Nabil Fouad Abusada, Palestine; Abdul Kareem Fanni, Jordan; Lyubov Malysheva, Ukraine; Yuliya Zatula, Ukraine; Maan Kerbaj, Lebanon; Zhasmena Asoyan, Armenia; Liliya Semenova, Russia; and Rahim Dad, Pakistan.

Senator Slom introduced a class of 10th graders from Honolulu Waldorf School and their instructor Shanti McCarter.

Senator Galuteria introduced Hawaiian Homelands homestead leaders from the islands of Moloka'i, Hawai'i, Kaula'i, Maui, and O'ahu, who were attending the "Your Community at the Capitol" workshop.

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR

The following messages from the Governor (Gov. Msg. Nos. 153 to 157) were read by the Clerk and were placed on file:

Gov. Msg. No. 153, dated January 11, 2010, transmitting the Annual Report of the Hawaii Labor Relations Board pursuant to Section 89-5, HRS.

Gov. Msg. No. 154, dated January 19, 2010, transmitting the Annual Report of the Hoisting Machine Operators Advisory Board, prepared by the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations, Hoisting Machine Operators Advisory Board, pursuant to Section 396-20, HRS.

Gov. Msg. No. 155, dated January 20, 2010, transmitting the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations' reports on the following non-general fund information: Employment and Training Fund; Premium Supplementation Fund; Special Compensation Fund; Special Fund for Temporary Disability Benefits; Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund; and Special Unemployment Insurance Administration Fund.

Gov. Msg. No. 156, dated January 20, 2010, transmitting the Department of the Attorney General's Report on Goals and Objectives, pursuant to Act 100, SLH 1999, as amended by Act 154, SLH 2005.

Gov. Msg. No. 157, dated January 22, 2010, transmitting the report, "Lead By Example; State of Hawaii Agencies' Energy Initiatives; FY 2008-2009," prepared by the Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism pursuant to Act 96, SLH 2006.

DEPARTMENTAL COMMUNICATION

The following communication (Dept. Com. No. 62) was read by the Clerk and was placed on file:

Dept. Com. No. 62, from the University of Hawaii, dated January 20, 2010, transmitting a Report on the Feasibility of Establishing a Farm to School Program in Hawaii's Public Schools, pursuant to S.C.R. No. 121 (2009).

HOUSE COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications from the House (Hse. Com. Nos. 3 and 4) were read by the Clerk and were placed on file:

Hse. Com. No. 3, returning S.C.R. No. 1, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on January 21, 2010.

Hse. Com. No. 4, returning S.C.R. No. 2, which was adopted by the House of Representatives on January 21, 2010.

INTRODUCTION OF SENATE BILLS

On motion by Senator Sakamoto, seconded by Senator Slom and carried, the following bills passed First Reading by title and were referred to committee or deferred:

Referred

S.B. No. 2334 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO RESIDENT MANAGERS."

Introduced by: Senator Hanabusa, by request.

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

S.B. No. 2335 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MILITARY AND OVERSEAS CIVILIAN ABSENTEE VOTERS."

Introduced by: Senator Hanabusa, by request.

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

S.B. No. 2336 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION."

Introduced by: Senators Baker, Chun Oakland, English, Espero, Fukunaga, Green, Ige, Ihara, Nishihara, Sakamoto, Tokuda, Tsutsui, Galuteria, Hooser, Kidani, Takamine, Taniguchi.

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

S.B. No. 2337 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES."

Introduced by: Senators Baker, English, Fukunaga, Gabbard, Hee, Ige, Ihara, Nishihara, Sakamoto, Takamine, Taniguchi, Tsutsui.

Referred to: Committee on Judiciary and Government Operations

S.B. No. 2338 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE SECOND SENATORIAL DISTRICT."

Introduced by: Senator Kokubun.

<p>S.B. No. 2339</p> <p>Referred to: Committee on Ways and Means</p> <p>Introduced by: Senators Takamine, Chun Oakland, English, Gabbard, Galuteria, Hee, Ihara, Nishihara, Taniguchi, Tokuda.</p> <p>Referred to: Committee on Labor</p> <p>S.B. No. 2340</p> <p>Introduced by: Senators Tokuda, Fukunaga, Kokubun, Sakamoto, Takamine.</p> <p>Referred to: Committee on Water, Land, Agriculture, and Hawaiian Affairs</p> <p>S.B. No. 2341</p> <p>Introduced by: Senators Baker, Chun Oakland, Kidani, Tokuda.</p> <p>Referred to: Jointly to the Committee on Human Services and the Committee on Labor</p> <p>S.B. No. 2342</p> <p>Introduced by: Senators Espero, Kidani, Bunda, English, Gabbard, Galuteria, Hemmings.</p> <p>Referred to: Committee on Public Safety and Military Affairs, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Government Operations</p> <p>S.B. No. 2343</p> <p>Introduced by: Senators Green, Baker, Espero, Ige.</p> <p>Referred to: Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection</p> <p>S.B. No. 2344</p> <p>Introduced by: Senators Green, Chun Oakland, Espero, Hee, Hemmings, Ige.</p> <p>Referred to: Jointly to the Committee on Transportation, International and Intergovernmental Affairs and the Committee on Judiciary and Government Operations, then to the Committee on Ways and Means</p> <p>S.B. No. 2345</p> <p>Introduced by: Senators Green, Espero, Chun Oakland, Hee, Hemmings, Ige.</p> <p>Referred to: Jointly to the Committee on Transportation, International and Intergovernmental Affairs and the Committee on Judiciary and Government Operations, then to the Committee on Ways and Means</p>	<p>S.B. No. 2346</p> <p>Introduced by: Senator Sakamoto.</p> <p>Referred to: Committee on Education and Housing</p> <p>S.B. No. 2347</p> <p>Introduced by: Senator Sakamoto.</p> <p>Referred to: Committee on Education and Housing, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Government Operations</p> <p>S.B. No. 2348</p> <p>Introduced by: Senator Sakamoto.</p> <p>Referred to: Jointly to the Committee on Education and Housing and the Committee on Judiciary and Government Operations, then to the Committee on Ways and Means</p> <p>S.B. No. 2349</p> <p>Introduced by: Senator Sakamoto.</p> <p>Referred to: Committee on Education and Housing, then to the Committee on Ways and Means</p> <p>S.B. No. 2350</p> <p>Introduced by: Senator Sakamoto.</p> <p>Referred to: Committee on Education and Housing, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Government Operations</p> <p>S.B. No. 2351</p> <p>Introduced by: Senator Sakamoto.</p> <p>Referred to: Committee on Education and Housing, then to the Committee on Ways and Means</p> <p>S.B. No. 2352</p> <p>Introduced by: Senator Sakamoto.</p> <p>Referred to: Committee on Education and Housing, then to the Committee on Ways and Means</p> <p>S.B. No. 2353</p> <p>Introduced by: Senator Bunda.</p> <p>Referred to: Committee on Judiciary and Government Operations</p> <p>S.B. No. 2354</p>	<p>“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII TEACHER STANDARDS BOARD.”</p> <p>“A BILL FOR AN ACT PROPOSING AMENDMENTS TO THE HAWAII CONSTITUTION RELATING TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.”</p> <p>“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION.”</p> <p>“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION.”</p> <p>“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES.”</p> <p>“A BILL FOR AN ACT PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE X, SECTION 2, OF THE HAWAII CONSTITUTION.”</p> <p>“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION.”</p> <p>“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION FUNDS.”</p> <p>“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO OPERATING A VEHICLE WHILE INTOXICATED.”</p> <p>“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DESECRATION.”</p> <p>“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS FOR THE BENEFIT OF</p>
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	THE NINETEENTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT.”	Introduced by:	Senators Gabbard, Baker, Chun Oakland, Fukunaga, Hee, Hemmings, Kokubun.
Introduced by:	Senator Gabbard.	Referred to:	Committee on Energy and Environment, then to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection and the Committee on Judiciary and Government Operations
S.B. No. 2355	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DIGITAL MEDIA.”	S.B. No. 2362	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CONSERVATION OUTREACH.”
Introduced by:	Senators Gabbard, Bunda, Chun Oakland, Espero, Hanabusa, Ige, Kidani, Nishihara, Sakamoto.	Introduced by:	Senators Gabbard, Chun Oakland, Kidani, Espero, Galuteria.
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Economic Development and Technology and the Committee on Higher Education, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Water, Land, Agriculture, and Hawaiian Affairs and the Committee on Transportation, International and Intergovernmental Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2356	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LEAF BLOWERS.”	S.B. No. 2363	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CONSERVATION OUTREACH.”
Introduced by:	Senators Gabbard, Baker, Bunda, Chun Oakland, Galuteria, Green, Kidani, Tokuda.	Introduced by:	Senators Gabbard, Chun Oakland, Kidani, Espero, Galuteria, Sakamoto, Tsutsui.
Referred to:	Committee on Energy and Environment, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Government Operations	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Water, Land, Agriculture, and Hawaiian Affairs and the Committee on Transportation, International and Intergovernmental Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2357	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO RENEWABLE ENERGY.”	S.B. No. 2364	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE FRAUD.”
Introduced by:	Senators Gabbard, Chun Oakland, Espero, Fukunaga, Hee, Ige, Ihara, Sakamoto, Takamine, Tokuda.	Introduced by:	Senators Gabbard, Bunda, Espero, Hemmings, Nishihara.
Referred to:	Committee on Energy and Environment, then to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection	Referred to:	Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Government Operations
S.B. No. 2358	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION ENERGY INITIATIVES.”	S.B. No. 2365	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CONSUMER FIREWORKS.”
Introduced by:	Senators Gabbard, Chun Oakland, Green, Bunda, Fukunaga, Hemmings, Nishihara, Sakamoto.	Introduced by:	Senator Gabbard.
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Energy and Environment and the Committee on Transportation, International and Intergovernmental Affairs	Referred to:	Committee on Public Safety and Military Affairs, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Government Operations
S.B. No. 2359	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PROCUREMENT.”	S.B. No. 2366	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FIREWORKS.”
Introduced by:	Senators Gabbard, Bunda, Fukunaga, Hee, Hemmings, Nishihara.	Introduced by:	Senator Taniguchi.
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Energy and Environment and the Committee on Judiciary and Government Operations, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Public Safety and Military Affairs and the Committee on Transportation, International and Intergovernmental Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2360	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE DEPOSIT BEVERAGE CONTAINER PROGRAM.”	S.B. No. 2367	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE TENTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT.”
Introduced by:	Senators Gabbard, English, Baker, Hemmings.	Introduced by:	Senator Taniguchi.
Referred to:	Committee on Energy and Environment, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	Referred to:	Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2361	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO WASTE STREAM REDUCTION.”	S.B. No. 2368	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CHILD VISITATION.”

<p>Introduced by: Senator Taniguchi, by request.</p> <p>Referred to: Committee on Human Services, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Government Operations</p> <p>S.B. No. 2369</p> <p>Introduced by: Senator Bunda.</p> <p>Referred to: Jointly to the Committee on Labor and the Committee on Human Services, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Government Operations</p> <p>S.B. No. 2370</p> <p>Introduced by: Senator Hanabusa.</p> <p>Referred to: Committee on Labor, then to the Committee on Ways and Means</p> <p>S.B. No. 2371</p> <p>Introduced by: Senators Baker, Espero, Ige, Ihara, Nishihara.</p> <p>Referred to: Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection</p> <p>S.B. No. 2372</p> <p>Introduced by: Senators Baker, Chun Oakland, Espero, Green, Ige, Ihara, Nishihara, Sakamoto, Tokuda, Tsutsui.</p> <p>Referred to: Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, then to the Committee on Ways and Means</p> <p>S.B. No. 2373</p> <p>Introduced by: Senators Baker, Espero, Fukunaga, Green, Ige, Ihara.</p> <p>Referred to: Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Government Operations</p> <p>S.B. No. 2374</p> <p>Introduced by: Senators Baker, Chun Oakland, Espero, Kidani, Nishihara, Sakamoto, English, Fukunaga, Hee, Taniguchi.</p> <p>Referred to: Committee on Education and Housing, then to the Committee on Ways and Means</p> <p>S.B. No. 2375</p> <p>Introduced by: Senators Baker, English, Espero, Gabbard, Nishihara, Tsutsui.</p> <p>Referred to: Jointly to the Committee on Transportation, International and Intergovernmental Affairs and the Committee on Water, Land, Agriculture, and Hawaiian Affairs</p>	<p>S.B. No. 2376</p> <p>Introduced by: Senator Baker, by request.</p> <p>Referred to: Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection</p> <p>S.B. No. 2377</p> <p>Introduced by: Senator Fukunaga.</p> <p>Referred to: Committee on Ways and Means</p> <p><u>Deferred</u></p> <p>S.B. No. 2378</p> <p>Introduced by: Senators Hee, Green, Chun Oakland, English, Galuteria, Hooser, Kidani, Kokubun, Takamine, Tokuda, Tsutsui.</p> <p>S.B. No. 2379</p> <p>Introduced by: Senators Ige, Baker, Chun Oakland, Espero, Nishihara, Tokuda, Fukunaga, Hemmings.</p> <p>S.B. No. 2380</p> <p>Introduced by: Senators Ige, Chun Oakland, Baker, English, Espero, Fukunaga, Hemmings, Tokuda.</p> <p>S.B. No. 2381</p> <p>Introduced by: Senator Ige, by request.</p> <p>S.B. No. 2382</p> <p>Introduced by: Senators Ige, Baker, Chun Oakland, Espero, Hemmings.</p> <p>S.B. No. 2383</p> <p>Introduced by: Senators Takamine, Bunda, Hee, Taniguchi.</p> <p>S.B. No. 2384</p> <p>Introduced by: Senators Takamine, Bunda, Hee, Taniguchi, Tokuda.</p> <p>S.B. No. 2385</p> <p>Introduced by: Senators Tokuda, Baker, Chun Oakland, English, Ige, Tsutsui, Kokubun, Takamine.</p> <p>S.B. No. 2386</p>	<p>“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO GIFT CERTIFICATES.”</p> <p>“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE.”</p> <p>“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE ELEVENTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT.”</p> <p>“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EMPLOYMENT SECURITY.”</p> <p>“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE OFFICE OF HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS.”</p> <p>“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LIMITED BENEFIT HEALTH INSURANCE.”</p> <p>“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET.”</p> <p>“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SUNRISE REVIEWS.”</p> <p>“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO BOTTLED WATER.”</p> <p>“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CERTIFICATE OF NEED.”</p> <p>“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PRIVATE TRANSFER FEES.”</p> <p>“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PREMATURE INFANT HEALTH CARE.”</p> <p>“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DISLOCATED WORKERS.”</p> <p>“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO WAGES AND HOURS OF EMPLOYEES ON SERVICE CONTRACTS.”</p> <p>“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HIGHWAYS.”</p> <p>“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII.”</p> <p>“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS</p>
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	PROGRAM PROJECT ASSESSMENT SPECIAL FUND.”		Nishihara, Sakamoto, Takamine, Tokuda, Tsutsui.
Introduced by:	Senators Tokuda, Baker, Chun Oakland, English, Tsutsui, Espero, Ige, Kokubun, Takamine.	S.B. No. 2397	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SALARY AND PENSION PAYMENTS.”
S.B. No. 2387	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII.”	Introduced by:	Senators Kim, Chun Oakland, English, Galuteria, Kidani, Bunda, Espero, Hanabusa, Hee, Hooser, Kokubun, Nishihara, Sakamoto, Takamine, Taniguchi.
Introduced by:	Senators Tokuda, Baker, Chun Oakland, English, Tsutsui, Espero, Ige, Kokubun, Sakamoto, Takamine.	S.B. No. 2398	“A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS TO PROVIDE FOR THE EXPENSES OF THE LEGISLATURE, THE AUDITOR, THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU, AND THE OMBUDSMAN.”
S.B. No. 2388	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII.”	Introduced by:	Senator Kim.
Introduced by:	Senators Tokuda, Baker, Chun Oakland, Espero, Ige, Tsutsui, English, Kokubun, Takamine.	S.B. No. 2399	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MIXED MARTIAL ARTS.”
S.B. No. 2389	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII.”	Introduced by:	Senator Kim.
Introduced by:	Senators Tokuda, Baker, Chun Oakland, English, Espero, Ige, Tsutsui, Kokubun, Takamine.	S.B. No. 2400	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FUNDS.”
S.B. No. 2390	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PHARMACIST LICENSURE.”	Introduced by:	Senator Kim.
Introduced by:	Senators Tokuda, Sakamoto, Baker, Chun Oakland, English, Espero, Green, Ige, Kokubun, Takamine, Taniguchi.	S.B. No. 2401	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO STATE FINANCES.”
S.B. No. 2391	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO STATE FINANCES.”	Introduced by:	Senator Kim.
Introduced by:	Senators Hanabusa, Hee, Kim.	S.B. No. 2402	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION.”
S.B. No. 2392	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FAMILY LEAVE INSURANCE.”	Introduced by:	Senator Kim.
Introduced by:	Senators Takamine, Baker, Chun Oakland, Fukunaga, Hee, Ihara, Kidani, Tokuda.	S.B. No. 2403	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO STATE DEPARTMENTS.”
S.B. No. 2393	“A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING COST ITEMS.”	Introduced by:	Senator Kim.
Introduced by:	Senators Takamine, Chun Oakland, Kidani, Tokuda, Tsutsui, Sakamoto, Taniguchi.	SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS	
S.B. No. 2394	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN.”	The following concurrent resolutions (S.C.R. Nos. 39 to 43) were read by the Clerk and were deferred:	
Introduced by:	Senators Takamine, Chun Oakland, Kidani, Fukunaga, Sakamoto, Taniguchi, Tokuda, Tsutsui.	S.C.R. No. 39	“SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE AUDITOR TO CONDUCT A SUNRISE REVIEW OF THE REGISTRATION OF RESIDENT MANAGERS.”
S.B. No. 2395	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE BUDGET.”	Offered by:	Senator Hanabusa, by request.
Introduced by:	Senators Kim, Galuteria, Hooser, Kidani, Bunda, Chun Oakland, English, Espero, Hanabusa, Hee, Kokubun, Nishihara, Sakamoto, Takamine, Taniguchi, Tokuda, Tsutsui.	S.C.R. No. 40	“SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR ENFORCEMENT OF EXISTING OSHA REGULATIONS ON THE USE OF HEXAVALENT CHROMIUM AND URGING OSHA TO DEVELOP SAFER ALTERNATIVES AND BAN HEXAVALENT CHROMIUM.”
S.B. No. 2396	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS.”	Offered by:	Senators Baker, Chun Oakland, English, Gabbard, Bunda, Espero, Fukunaga, Green, Hee, Hooser, Ige, Ihara, Kidani, Nishihara, Sakamoto, Takamine, Taniguchi, Tokuda.
Introduced by:	Senators Kim, Espero, Hooser, Kidani, Bunda, Chun Oakland, English, Galuteria, Hanabusa, Hee, Kokubun,	S.C.R. No. 41	“SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE AUDITOR TO CONDUCT A SUNRISE REVIEW OF THE REGULATION OF REAL ESTATE APPRAISAL MANAGEMENT COMPANIES.”

Offered by: Senators Baker, English, Espero, Green, Ige, Ihara, Sakamoto, Tsutsui.

S.C.R. No. 42 "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR LOCAL ACCOUNTABILITY OF DRUG FORMULARIES AND DRUG PRIOR AUTHORIZATION POLICIES."

Offered by: Senators Green, Baker, Espero, Ige.

S.C.R. No. 43 "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE AUDITOR TO PERFORM A FINANCIAL AND MANAGEMENT AUDIT OF THE CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT AGENCY."

Offered by: Senators Bunda, Baker, Fukunaga.

SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following resolutions (S.R. Nos. 27 and 28) were read by the Clerk and were deferred:

S.R. No. 27 "SENATE RESOLUTION EXPRESSING SUPPORT FOR LOCAL ACCOUNTABILITY OF DRUG FORMULARIES AND DRUG PRIOR AUTHORIZATION POLICIES."

Offered by: Senators Green, Baker, Ige, Espero.

S.R. No. 28 "SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE AUDITOR TO PERFORM A FINANCIAL AND MANAGEMENT AUDIT OF THE CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT AGENCY."

Offered by: Senators Bunda, Baker, Fukunaga.

At 12:07 p.m., the Senate stood in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

The Senate reconvened at 12:13 p.m.

ORDER OF THE DAY

THIRD READING

H.B. No. 444, H.D. 1, S.D. 1:

Senator Ihara moved that H.B. No. 444, H.D. 1, S.D. 1 pass Third Reading, seconded by Senator Kidani.

Senator Kidani then offered the following amendment (Floor Amendment No. 1) to H.B. No. 444, H.D. 1, S.D. 1:

"SECTION 1: House Bill No. 444, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, is amended by amending Section 7 to read as follows:

"SECTION 7. This Act shall take effect on January 1, 2011."

Senator Kidani moved that Floor Amendment No. 1 be adopted, seconded by Senator Ihara.

Senator Kidani rose to speak in support of the amendment as follows:

"The floor amendment is a simple technical amendment which changes the effective date from January 1, 2010 to January 1, 2011. In a letter to Senator Ihara dated November 25, 2009, the Attorney General opined that if the bill passes with the current date, it would create administrative problems for the Department of Health. The date change would give the Department more time to develop the necessary forms. Thank you."

Senator Ihara rose to speak in support of the amendment as follows:

"I am one of the co-sponsors of this floor amendment that would correct the unintended effective date of the civil unions bill. I am also the requestor of two legal opinions from the

Legislative Reference Bureau and the State Attorney General regarding the effective date.

"Colleagues, the amendment is intended to address an inadvertent error in the date House Bill 444 would become effective if passed. Last May, in the rush of preparing the floor amendment adopted as Senate draft 1, the effective date was not changed as it would've been had there been more time. The January 1, 2010 effective date of the original bill would have allowed six months for State agencies to prepare for the implementation of a civil unions law. By pushing back legislative action on House Bill 444 to one year later, the January 2010 effective date makes the civil unions rights retroactive. The Attorney General advised—and I quote—'While HRS Section 1-3 provides that no law has any retroactive operation, unless otherwise expressed or obviously intended, it would appear that when the Legislature enacts a bill with an obvious effective date that precedes the date the bill is passed, such a bill would be interpreted to be retroactive.' Both Attorney General and LRB opinions cite the potential of lawsuits and legal challenges that would require a court to determine when civil union rights took effect. 'However, the retroactive date does not make the bill invalid,' said the Attorney General. And LRB agrees, stating the retroactive effective date is not in itself fatal to the measure. The January 1, 2010 effective date is flawed, but I agree not fatally so.

"So far, so good; and if this was all the advice given, we probably wouldn't be discussing this floor amendment today. But a curious thing appeared in the Attorney General's opinion. He provided some unsolicited advice on reasons the effective date might be changed to avoid a veto. I did not ask for advice regarding the veto, suggest any concern or hint at any interest in reasons for a veto, but surprisingly the Attorney General said my concern was that the effective date might make the bill invalid (which it does not) and—and this is the unsolicited part—that the bill might otherwise be subject to a veto by the Governor. But I only asked the Attorney General for, I quote, 'a legal opinion on whether it is necessary for the effective date to be amended to a date later than the current date of January 1, 2010.' The AG opinion said, 'If this bill is passed with the effective date of January 1, 2010, there will be administrative problems.' Continuing, he advised that the Department of Health would face and civil union ceremonies would probably not be available until the Department had developed the forms and procedures for obtaining civil union licenses. The second problem is that forms, procedures, and probably rules would need to be developed and adopted to license persons to perform civil unions. This is because House Bill 444 does not automatically authorize people who perform marriages to perform civil unions. An actual license would need to be obtained after an administrative system was put in place. The original bill would have provided six months to do this, but the current draft does not.

"This floor amendment would not be necessary if we were not concerned about a veto or were prepared to override a veto based on the flawed effective date. However, once the Attorney General's advice was given to suggest possible correction of an effective date, I feel obligated to suggest the correction or face a possible veto.

"I feel compelled to propose and support this floor amendment because I seek to get a civil unions bill enacted this session to end discrimination against committed same-sex couples. It would be difficult for my integrity if I failed to consider the Attorney General's advice, and the Governor did indeed veto the bill for reasons cited by the Attorney General. I hope the Governor does not veto the bill for these reasons, but if she does there still is another way to address the situation, and

that is for the Senate and House to override a veto on this technical effective date.

“Administrative problems in the civil unions law can be addressed and solved by passing this amendment, but not a veto that is not overridden. So if we choose not to make this technical amendment, then I would encourage the Senate and the House to override a possible veto if given for these reasons. Thank you, Madam President, and I would like to request a Roll Call vote. (The Chair so ordered.)”

Senator Kokubun rose to speak in opposition to the amendment as follows:

“I’m not an attorney—let me start off by saying that—but I think the Attorney General opinion that was sought based on the question that was asked is very clear. Essentially, the Attorney General is saying that H.B. No. 444, S.D. 1 would not be invalid because its effective date precedes the date that the bill becomes law. Such legislation is often referred to as ‘retroactive’ or ‘retrospective’ legislation. There have been a number of examples, I think, of legislation that we have passed that have a retroactive application to that. At this point in the discussion, I believe it’s important for us to consider the bill. I think the action by the Senate should be to move the bill to the House, and I don’t believe, based on the Attorney General opinion, that there is a need to further delay the movement of the bill to the House. So I would ask my colleagues and encourage them to not approve this amendment. Thank you.”

Senator Slom rose to speak in opposition to the amendment as follows:

“I, too, am also looking forward to the full debate on the full measure. But in between time, I notice that we continue the headlong rush to pass this political legislation, and the inadvertent error really is the entire bill, not just the floor amendment. To not seek and don’t care about the advice given by the Attorney General is just one more statement that has been made. No one has sought the public’s input nor the Attorney General’s, and so we are again putting this particular measure in front of education, in front of our economy, in front of jobs in order to satisfy one particular part of our civilization here. So I urge a ‘no’ vote. Thank you.”

At this time, the Chair addressed the audience seated in the gallery as follows:

“Members of the public, it is important for the Senators to hear each other in this debate, so we’d like to ask that you refrain from outbursts.”

Senator Hooser rose to speak in support of the amendment as follows:

“To the contrary, I believe there’s been much public discussion on the issue, without question, over the past year and a half or more. This is an important issue. The amendment is an important part of that issue, and I believe that we need to do the people’s work and expeditiously move this issue forward successfully and into law. And the reason I’m supporting the amendment, Madam President and colleagues, is because I wholeheartedly support the underlying measure of providing equal rights to all people, and this amendment strengthens the measure. To me it’s fairly simple: This amendment strengthens the measure. And I will limit my comments to that and ask that the comments of the Majority Policy Leader, who is also in support—if those comments could be inserted into the record as if they were my own. (The Chair so ordered, by reference only.) Thank you.”

The motion to adopt Floor Amendment No. 1 was put by the Chair and, Roll Call vote having been requested, failed to carry on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 10. Noes, 15 (Bunda, Espero, Gabbard, Hanabusa, Hee, Hemmings, Kim, Kokubun, Nishihara, Sakamoto, Slom, Takamine, Taniguchi, Tokuda, Tsutsui)

The Chair then said:

“If there are no objections from the members, we will be taking Third Reading on consent. The Chair will, however, call for a short recess at this time.”

At 12:26 p.m., the Senate stood in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

The Senate reconvened at 12:31 p.m.

The Chair then said:

“Is there any discussion? No discussion? Members, shall we vote?”

Senator Slom rose to speak in opposition to the measure as follows:

“You know, we have had hearings and we have had votes, and all the votes have been in opposition to this bill. And yet we’re still having votes and we’re still having this bill once again. In fact, the Senate had the longest hearing on record last year—18 hours plus straight through in the Auditorium. We had more than 1500 people that signed up; we had more than 500 people that actually testified. We had every point of view presented; and then we had a vote and the vote did not pass the bill. But yet here we are again, first thing in this legislative session. And I say again, Madam President, if indeed everybody says that they’re concerned about furloughs and about instructional days and getting our kids back to school, that’s what we should be doing. If they’re concerned about their civil rights as it relates to economics and their standard of living, then we should be debating economic issues and health issues and transportation issues and—the list is endless. But instead, we’re debating House Bill 444 yet again.

“And what is new? What has changed? Nothing has changed except the political pressure to pass this piece of legislation. I don’t view it as civil rights; I view it at best as civil license. We can talk about rights and we can talk about privileges and we can talk about equality. The fact of the matter is very few states have changed their position on traditional marriage. Very few courts have changed their position on traditional marriage. Twelve years ago—nine years ago now—the people of Hawai’i voted on traditional marriage. Overwhelmingly, they supported marriage, by a vote, that was between a man and a woman. All right, if we want to discuss this further then that’s the proper venue—to vote on it, to let the people vote. These stacks of e-mails are just recent e-mails in opposition to passing H.B. No. 444 from my constituents. I have today introduced a bill proposing an amendment to Article I of the Constitution of the State of Hawai’i. If people once again want to vote, the question is, ‘Marriage shall be reserved to opposite-sex couples. Yes or no?’ It’s as simple as that. But I think that our time in this legislative body and the deliberation should be reserved for those issues that we should be involved in. And let me tell you again, as I’ve said many, many times publicly and privately over the years: If I had my druthers, and if you want to propose such a bill, my belief is that the Legislature should not be involved in as many issues as it is right now, in social issues and in the control of individual lives. So if we want to truly say that people have the right to do whatever they want to do, take the government out of their daily lives and let them make their own decisions.

“However, unless and until we do that, we are faced with a decision. And there are many fine people up in the gallery of both sides of this particular issue, and I respect them for their particular advocacy. I’m very happy that we have a gallery

today because there's nothing worse than us debating important issues and nobody here to see them or to hear them. I'm also very happy that we have so many young people here to witness this as well. I just hope that these folks come back when we debate trying to raise their taxes, trying to limit what they do even more.

"In the meantime, my opposition is that this bill really would replace what traditional marriage is. We've tried over the years to try to make sure that people did have additional benefits. We passed a very extensive reciprocal beneficiaries bill, and I agree that it is not perfect. But it would seem that the reasonable and rational thing would be to make the amendments to that law, to make those changes that are required rather than trying to wholesale, make a change, to call people traditional marriage individuals, and to ignore those people that in fact are traditional marriage couples.

"Does this really have to do with civil rights? If you talk to people, the answer is a clear 'no.' The issue has to do with money and benefits and trying to be like another group. Madam President, I am truly sorry that within our community over the last couple of years we have pieces of legislation that have been more divisive than bringing people together—such as this bill, such as the Akaka bill, such as others that try to tear people apart and to categorize them by race or color or sexual orientation. We started out this session about an hour and a half ago, and everybody was in a good mood and we were welcoming our guests from around the world. We need to get back to that; we need to get back to the business at hand, and I think we can do that best by not supporting H.B. No. 444. I call for a Roll Call vote, Madam President. (The Chair so ordered.) Thank you."

At this time, the Chair addressed the audience seated in the gallery as follows:

"Members of the public, again, you're here to listen to the debate as we are. Outbursts like that prevents us in here from hearing our colleagues."

Senator Baker rose to speak in support of the measure as follows:

"You know, Madam President, colleagues, one of the best things about our country is the right to hold differing opinions as well as the guarantee of the separation of church and state. And I would ask people in the gallery who might agree with what I'm going to say to please reserve your comments, out of respect to the presiding officer and the other members. Please don't applaud, don't have any outbursts because this is really a very serious debate and I think it has to be, at the moment at least, a debate among our colleagues.

"I remember reading in history books—fortunately I'm not quite that old—about the time when women didn't have the right to vote, when blacks were considered property, not even human. They were chattel—items to be bartered or sold; they were not considered equal with everyone else. I remember a time in our history when if you weren't of a certain race you couldn't marry someone else. Those times are past, and I think the debate in those days on those issues may have been as emotional and as divisive as some of our current debates, but that doesn't mean that we shouldn't have them and we shouldn't try to determine in our best judgment what is equality under the law. And that, Madam President and colleagues, equality under the law is really what compels me to rise in support of this measure, because for me it is about equal treatment. It is about how the law views various relationships and how the law views the kinds of rights that individuals are treated who may look at things differently than we do.

"I see nothing in this measure that denies, hurts, or harms traditional marriage. I see nothing that takes away from those

values or tells other people you can't have a traditional marriage. What I see is an acknowledgement that there are all kinds of families, that there are all kinds of committed relationships, and all of those deserve to be treated equally under the law, and that we need to respect others. We need to respect those that may look at things differently than we do. For me, that's what the Aloha State is about, that's what our Constitution requires us to do, and that's why I stand in support of this measure. Thank you, Madam President."

Senator Sakamoto rose to speak in opposition to the measure as follows:

"In 1998, as mentioned, the people did vote and the numbers were 70 percent supportive of traditional marriage. Most recently, my understanding is that in a poll several months ago, 66 percent of people again said, that they were opposed or strongly opposed to H.B. No. 444. The issue to me is that we represent the people. We don't poll them on every issue but on issues as important as this, as a representative of the community, I'm not supportive of moving this measure forward.

"There are people who argue different things. I heard one man say, 'I've seen former poor people. I've seen former rich people. I've seen former straight people. I've seen former gay people.' He was a black man and he said, 'I've never seen a former black person.' So there are some things that are changeable and there are some things that are not. And at this point, the polls have supported the position of people not in favor and there may be a year when people believe differently, but, for myself at this point, I'm in opposition, Madam President, and ask my colleagues to oppose the bill as well."

Senator Hooser rose to speak in support of the measure as follows:

"Madam President, colleagues, you know, this has been a long path, but today is the day. After much discussion, many vigils, many protests, today's the day the Senate will finally vote on the substance and core of this issue. To me, that's an issue of equality, an issue of the obligation of government to treat all people equally under the law. It's as simple as that. This week, as we honor Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., I see this as a step, a step down that path, and we have many more steps to take but this is an important step down the path of providing equality and justice for people in our community. And I for one to do not take this step out of fear or intimidation. I'm not cowered by this step; I'm proud to take this step. I think we all should be proud and stand tall that we're willing to reaffirm our core beliefs that all people—rich or poor, black or white, regardless of religion or ethnicity, man or woman, gay or straight—all people deserve to be treated equally with the same respect, the same freedoms, the same dignity, and the same rights and benefits under the law. Hopefully, the message that comes out of this body today will be a strong, loud, and clear message with 16, 17, 18, possibly 19 of us voting in support. Today's an opportunity, Madam President, members, an opportunity to reaffirm that our home, our community, and our state is perhaps different from a lot of the other states; that our state is a state that honors diversity, that promotes tolerance, that truly understands and lives the values of love and aloha, and believes and supports fundamentally the value of equality. I encourage members to vote in support. Thank you, Madam President."

Senator Green rose to speak in support of the measure as follows:

"Thank you, Madam President; I'll be very brief. This is in support of the bill. As you know, I spend just as much time in another profession as I do here with us at the Senate; I spend time as an emergency room physician. And two moments over

the past ten years stand out in my mind in Hawai'i, on the Big Island. About five years ago, I was taking care of a young man who had been severely beaten to near death, and the fight was because he was gay. He was being discriminated against; it was a tragedy. He lived, and he lives in fear because people think of him as someone different. I can tell you, in every way, shape, and form, he was just like me or my Chairman of Health, Senator Ige, or Suzie, or you and anyone up in that audience. That poor gentleman almost died because people thought he was different simply because he was gay.

"Then just two years ago, I took care of another young gentleman in the emergency department in another part of the state who tried to kill himself with a drug overdose. And when he came out of his coma and I was there with him, I asked him why a very nice young man, extremely well-educated from the Ivy League, and again it was because he faced discrimination because he was gay.

"Now, that's not the entirety of this bill but I do want people to think if they oppose this bill in the House of Representatives here in Hawai'i, I'd like them to consider the impact of not treating each one of us as brothers and sisters and equally because if we continue to discriminate—and I mean separate one from another—and think of people who are gay or lesbian as different, we're going to continue to see that kind of event, whether it's someone being hurt or someone hurting themselves. And so I would ask everyone in the audience today, for or against this issue, to consider those two events that are very real and anyone in the House of Representatives who would consider running away from this vote or finding some new excuse because it's an election year, that they consider the impact of not treating everyone with respect and kindness and full consideration of the impact on their lives for this kind of bill. Thank you, Madam Chair."

Senator Hemmings rose to speak in opposition to the measure as follows:

"This is democracy at its best, Madam President. This is when duly elected people come to the floor of this legislature, not with a populous mandate one way or another, but with the values and the beliefs we hold dear to us coupled with a devotion to our electorate, to the principles of the Constitution, and of course to the laws. There are many arguments that have been put forth in favor of this bill today, and some of them were anecdotal. I, too, sympathize with anyone who has been violated, for any reason of discrimination. I know a State Senator that was assaulted, physically assaulted, because he was against this bill. So I think there are cases of abuse in many forms throughout our community; so anecdotal evidence is just that—anecdotal.

"It was mentioned about the separation of church and state: Thomas Jefferson and his famous letter to the clergy of Danbury, Connecticut talked about it, and obviously the Founding Fathers wanted to establish a government that would not morph into a theocracy. We know how terrible theocracies can be. But it's important to note that the First Amendment does protect 'We the People' from theocracies, but it also protects those of us who have core beliefs that are found in the roots of our religion and our moral beliefs to bring those beliefs to the table in discussing public policy. I exercise my First Amendment right to the free practice of my religion. I exercise my right to bring my values as based on my heritage and my religion to this floor; and I will respect everyone else to do the same, or in the case of them being an atheist, not. That is what the church-state separation issue is about; it is indeed a two-way street.

"It's important in looking at the Constitution of the United States of America that we clarify what rights are. Unfortunately, we sometimes have activist courts that override

the will of the people. The Constitution is very clear. As we all know, when the Constitution was ratified by the states it did not include a Bill of Rights, and the first Ten Amendments became what is considered the blueprint for all humanity on human rights. Nowhere, nowhere is what we're doing here today mentioned as a right. And I think those of us who oppose this legislation take issue with the misrepresentation of this being a human right, because it is not and it's been judged that way by decisions in other jurisdictions. What we're passing here is a law, a law that could be tested constitutionally, and a law that probably would, if we passed, it pass the Constitutional test. This state wants to make a criterion for licensing available, under other circumstances than marriage between a man and a woman. I believe constitutionally the State would have that right, but that's not for me to determine. My job and your job, colleagues, is to vote today on a law, a law that reflects the values and—heaven forbid—the morals and the will of those people who sent us here, and those people have spoken.

"We're going to make a law or not with this vote. I would suggest to my colleagues, if there are any of you of the 25 of us who do not have your mind made up, to consider it in the context of what we really are doing. We're not voting on a right; and you should be very worried about that because where do you draw the line on rights, if this indeed is a right? Three loving, adoring people get married—why not? It's a right; we all love each other. This isn't about love. This is about government, the laws of the State of Hawai'i, sanctioning a license. Churches—some churches, the Church of England—already sanction gay marriage, and (excuse the metaphor and play on words) God bless them. That's their privilege. But we're not a church; we're making laws.

"I'm urging my colleagues to vote 'no' against this legislation, to stay consistent with values that are recognized in the history of humanity, for values that come right to the foundation of civilization, for values that some bring to this floor via their moral conviction, their religious beliefs, or their secular beliefs, whatever the case may be. But please, colleagues, vote this legislation down because it is not a right and we, the lawmakers of the State of Hawai'i representing the people who sent us here, make the laws according to our own personal judgment and the will of the people, and the people have spoken very strongly on this issue. Madam President, I urge my colleagues to vote 'no' on this legislation."

Senator Kokubun rose to speak in support of the measure as follows:

"Hawai'i has an opportunity to demonstrate both our acceptance of diversity in our community and the value we place on the rights of others. The language of the Senate draft—and I really want all of my colleagues to focus just on the Senate draft—now under consideration leaves no doubts that a civil union is not marriage. Our State Constitution gives the Legislature the sole right to define marriage, and the bill is unequivocal in declaring that 'it is not the legislature's intent to revise the definition or eligibility requirements of marriage.' In other words, marriage will still be marriage reserved for unions of one man and one woman. Civil unions will be a distinct and legally-established alternative.

"Establishing fully-defined civil unions in Hawai'i will also finally and firmly answer a question that has divided our community for too long. It will grant same-sex couples the legal rights they have been seeking. At the same time, by extending benefits to opposite-sex couples, the civil unions law will strengthen traditional marriage by removing it from this acrimonious public debate. The unique value of traditional marriage will be absolutely protected. The current proposal creates a civil union based entirely in the law and conferring strictly legal rights to couples who opt to enter into a civil union. While other states offer similar unions, Hawaii's

proposed law will be the only one that offers a civil unions legal benefits to both same-sex and opposite-sex couples without further limitation. Other states offering civil union benefits to opposite-sex couples place limitations, either on the union or on the rights conferred. In offering civil unions to both same-sex and opposite-sex couples, Hawai'i will demonstrate that civil unions are not a half measure or a form of separate but equal treatment for same-sex couples. Rather, the civil union law creates a new and valuable process for committed couples to enjoy the rights normally provided to married couples while protecting the sanctity of traditional marriage.

"Diversity has long been a hallmark of our island culture, and respect for that diversity has played a large role in creating the rich, thriving community we love. Hawai'i learned long ago that the resilience of our community rests upon a foundation of acceptance of ideas and practices that differ from our own. It's easy to accept those who are like us; unity comes from respecting those who are different. We can show the rest of our nation the path to greater peace by taking this vital step. In preserving traditional marriage while providing a meaningful alternative, Hawai'i can lead the country on a path away from divisiveness and towards solutions that consider all reasonable concerns. The time to act on civil unions has come.

"We have all heard the claims that the Legislature is too busy or that we should be focused on other more pressing issues. There is no issue more important than treating each other with respect, particularly those whose opinions differ from our own. The question is before us, the opportunity is ripe, and the solution is ready. Let's act on this bill today. Thank you."

Senator Kidani rose to speak in support of the measure as follows:

"To deny our gay brothers and sisters a chance at equality is to perpetuate the fear and the bigotry. Our gay brothers and sisters have names, they have loving commitments, and I think they deserve the right to have this bill passed. They also have red blood that runs through their veins, and they have souls. I vote for love. Give love a chance."

Senator Ihara rose to speak in support of the measure as follows:

"This civil union legislation would provide virtually the same legal rights to both opposite-sex and same-sex couples who wish to be committed to each other as a civil union. There are no religious rights, responsibilities, or sacraments provided to same-sex couples in this bill. Discrimination against same-sex couples is no longer acceptable in our society. We must stop denying committed same-sex couples the same legal and civil rights given to opposite-sex couples, and thus we must pass this bill. It would be an honor for me to cast my vote in support of this legislation in order to provide equality for all loving couples in the State. Thank you."

Senator Gabbard rose to speak in opposition to the measure as follows:

"Colleagues, I know many of you have already made up your mind on this issue, but I do feel compelled to make some remarks this morning—now this afternoon.

"As many of you know, I've been involved with the efforts to preserve traditional marriage since the early 1990s. In 1998, 70 percent of Hawai'i voters came together to pass a constitutional amendment to effectively prevent the courts from legalizing same-sex marriage in our state. Presently, there are 31 states across the country who have also passed constitutional amendments, and 42 states who have passed laws protecting traditional marriage.

"I am proud to be involved in this movement, which has brought together people of every religion, race, and ethnicity to uphold the important institution of marriage. This has been a very emotional issue for all of us, and it will continue to be, not just here but nationally and internationally. Why? Marriage is not just a word. It is the foundation, it is the bedrock of our society, it is the cornerstone of civilization, and it impacts every one of our lives. For me and for thousands of our residents, we believe that marriage should remain a sacred institution between one man and one woman.

"Let me be clear: Civil unions is simply another name for same-sex marriage. When you think about it, we don't need a civil unions law here in Hawai'i. Why? Because civil unions already exist. It's called the Marriage Law. Marriage is a civil union. We have a clearly defined law on our books. It's not a religious marriage law; it's a civil marriage law. Those who promote the idea that in addition to the marriage law there should be a civil union law will have to explain that if the marriage law is not a civil union statute, then what is it? A religious union statute? And if so, what is the government doing being involved in religious statutes? Proponents of this bill are accepting the presumption that marriage in Hawai'i is not a civil union; their whole argument is based on that presumption, when in actuality marriage is a civil union.

"Colleagues, it's time to stop playing word games. It's time to stop trying to change the definitions. Marriage is already a civil union in the State of Hawai'i. It is a civil union that is accepted by the people who have said repeatedly that they do not want to recognize any other union besides one that is between a man and a woman. That was the unequivocal message of the constitutional amendment in 1998.

"The reality is this contentious issue is not about civil rights, equal rights, or benefits. The ultimate goal of civil unions/same-sex marriage advocates is societal approval and acceptance of homosexuality on an equal basis as heterosexuality. Evidence of this lack of interest in our State's Reciprocal Beneficiary Law by same-sex couples. Our RB law confers many of the benefits provided to married couples to unmarried individuals who are committed to caring for and taking care of each other. The difference between the RB law and civil unions are that RBs are for everyone, not just for homosexual couples. For example, two old war veterans who are committed to taking care of each other can declare a reciprocal beneficiary relationship here in Hawai'i; so can a widowed mother and her adult son, or two sisters or two brothers. Any committed couple, whether related by blood or not. Sexual desires, tendencies, or behaviors are not relevant to our RB law. It does not create counterfeit marriage. Hawaii's RB law achieves the goal of encouraging people to take care of and to look out for each other. Such behavior is beneficial to all of society and it should be encouraged. I call our RB law 'The Aloha Solution' because it achieves the compassionate aims of most people while not in any way undermining the institution of marriage or giving social approval to homosexual behavior or relationships.

"And with all due respect to the Senator from Maui, comparing an immutable characteristic like race or gender is a convenient comparison, but it is invalid. And also to the Senator from Mililani, I find it offensive to say that anyone that disagrees with this bill is a bigot or is full of fear; that is just not the case.

"As we cast our votes today and we continue to debate this issue, I'm hopeful that we will stop the name-calling, we will stop the verbal and the physical attacks. I'm hopeful that we will continue to show aloha and respect for each other no matter where we stand on this issue. This is the type of open and honest dialogue that will make our vibrant democracy even

stronger. Colleagues, I urge you to join the voices of the people of Hawai'i and vote 'no' on H.B. No. 444. Mahalo."

The motion was put by the Chair and, Roll Call vote having been requested, H.B. No. 444, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CIVIL UNIONS," passed Third Reading on the following showing of Ayes and Noes:

Ayes, 18. Noes, 7 (Bunda, Espero, Gabbard, Hemmings, Kim, Sakamoto, Slom).

RE-REFERRAL OF A SENATE BILL

The Chair re-referred the following Senate bill that was introduced:

S.B. No.:	Re-referred to:
S.B. No. 2103	Jointly to the Committee on Health and the Committee on Human Services, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

At this time, the Chair made the following announcement:

"Referrals and re-referrals are made in accordance with the referrals listed on the Order of the Day and on the Supplemental Order of the Day to be distributed to your offices later today."

MISCELLANEOUS COMMUNICATION

The following communication (Misc. Com. No. 2) was read by the Clerk and was placed on file:

Misc. Com. No. 2, dated January 19, 2010, transmitting a Report on the Recommendations of the Construction Industry Task Force, pursuant to S.C.R. No. 132 (2009).

At this time, the Chair made the following announcements:

"Members, the deadline to submit bills to the Clerk's office for introduction is 6:00 p.m. tonight. Again, 6:00 p.m. tonight. Please remember that after today, members, bill limits will be in effect for the duration of the bill introduction period. You may file up to five bills each on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday of next week.

"The Senate session on Monday, January 25th will convene at 9:30 a.m., after which we will meet in joint session with the House to receive the Governor's State of the State address at 10:00 a.m. in the House Chamber."

INTRODUCTION OF SENATE BILLS

On motion by Senator Sakamoto, seconded by Senator Slom and carried unanimously, the Clerk was authorized to receive bills for introduction prior to 6:00 p.m. In consequence thereof and subsequent to its recessing at 1:11 p.m., the following bills were introduced and placed on the calendar for further action on Monday, January 25, 2010:

S.B. No. 2404 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COLLECTIVE BARGAINING."

Introduced by: Senators Bunda, Espero.

S.B. No. 2405 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION."

Introduced by: Senators Chun Oakland, Baker, Fukunaga, Ihara, Kidani, Sakamoto, Tokuda.

S.B. No. 2406 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COFFEE."

Introduced by: Senator Hee, by request.

S.B. No. 2407 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO RENEWABLE ENERGY."

Introduced by: Senators Hee, English, Hemmings, Bunda, Chun Oakland, Fukunaga, Galuteria, Hooser, Ihara, Kidani, Kokubun, Takamine, Tokuda.

S.B. No. 2408 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HOUSING DEVELOPMENT."

Introduced by: Senators Hee, Kidani, Sakamoto, Chun Oakland, English, Galuteria, Takamine, Tokuda.

S.B. No. 2409 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MARINE LIFE CONSERVATION DISTRICTS."

Introduced by: Senators Hee, Kidani, Galuteria, Hooser, Takamine, Tokuda.

S.B. No. 2410 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC LANDS."

Introduced by: Senator Hooser, by request.

S.B. No. 2411 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO RENEWABLE ENERGY FACILITIES."

Introduced by: Senator Hooser, by request.

S.B. No. 2412 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAIIAN MONK SEAL."

Introduced by: Senators Hooser, Espero, Green, Ihara, Nishihara, Sakamoto.

S.B. No. 2413 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO STATE ENTERPRISE ZONES."

Introduced by: Senators Hooser, English, Espero, Sakamoto, Tokuda, Baker, Ihara, Nishihara.

S.B. No. 2414 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO STATE PARKS."

Introduced by: Senators Hooser, Baker, Espero, Green, Ihara, Nishihara, Sakamoto.

S.B. No. 2415 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS BY MAIL."

Introduced by: Senators Hooser, Baker, Espero, Ihara.

S.B. No. 2416 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO GENERAL EXCISE TAX DEADLINES."

Introduced by: Senators Hooser, Baker, English, Espero, Fukunaga, Ihara.

S.B. No. 2417 "A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES TO ADDRESS THE BUDGET SHORTFALL."

Introduced by: Senator Bunda.

S.B. No. 2418 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE ENVIRONMENT."

Introduced by: Senators Espero, Bunda, Galuteria, Hemmings, Kidani, Slom.

S.B. No. 2419 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE TWENTIETH SENATORIAL DISTRICT."

Introduced by:	Senator Espero.	Introduced by:	Senator Sakamoto.
S.B. No. 2420	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE DEPOSIT BEVERAGE CONTAINER PROGRAM.”	S.B. No. 2435	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION.”
Introduced by:	Senators Gabbard, English, Bunda, Hee, Hemmings, Hooser.	Introduced by:	Senator Sakamoto.
S.B. No. 2421	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO RENEWABLE ENERGY.”	S.B. No. 2436	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION.”
Introduced by:	Senators Gabbard, Espero, Hemmings, Takamine.	Introduced by:	Senators Sakamoto, Baker, Chun Oakland, English, Espero, Fukunaga, Galuteria, Green, Hanabusa, Hooser, Ige, Ihara, Kidani, Nishihara, Takamine, Taniguchi, Tokuda, Bunda, Gabbard, Kokubun.
S.B. No. 2422	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FIREWORKS.”	S.B. No. 2437	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE FUNDING OF THE STATE PROGRAMS.”
Introduced by:	Senators Gabbard, Baker, Hemmings, Hooser, Nishihara.	Introduced by:	Senators Sakamoto, Baker, Chun Oakland, English, Espero, Fukunaga, Galuteria, Hanabusa, Ihara, Kidani, Kokubun, Nishihara, Takamine, Taniguchi, Tokuda.
S.B. No. 2423	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CONDOMINIUMS.”	S.B. No. 2438	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC HOUSING.”
Introduced by:	Senators Gabbard, Baker, Bunda, Hemmings, Hooser, Ige, Sakamoto.	Introduced by:	Senator Sakamoto.
S.B. No. 2424	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HOMICIDE.”	S.B. No. 2439	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HOMELESS.”
Introduced by:	Senator Gabbard.	Introduced by:	Senator Sakamoto.
S.B. No. 2425	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FIREWORKS.”	S.B. No. 2440	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE BOARDS OF WATER SUPPLY.”
Introduced by:	Senators Nishihara, Espero, Galuteria.	Introduced by:	Senator Hooser, by request.
S.B. No. 2426	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION.”	S.B. No. 2441	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ENDANGERED SPECIES.”
Introduced by:	Senators Nishihara, Galuteria.	Introduced by:	Senators Hooser, Espero, Green, Ihara.
S.B. No. 2427	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE STATEWIDE TRAFFIC CODE.”	S.B. No. 2442	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PAROLE HEARINGS.”
Introduced by:	Senators Nishihara, Espero, Taniguchi.	Introduced by:	Senators Hooser, Baker, Espero, Fukunaga, Galuteria, Kidani, Nishihara, Sakamoto, Takamine.
S.B. No. 2428	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION.”	S.B. No. 2443	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EXCHANGE ACCOMMODATION.”
Introduced by:	Senators Nishihara, Espero, Slom, Taniguchi.	Introduced by:	Senators Hooser, Espero, Fukunaga, Galuteria, Kidani, Takamine.
S.B. No. 2429	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION.”	S.B. No. 2444	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO BIODIESEL PRODUCTION.”
Introduced by:	Senators Nishihara, Espero.	Introduced by:	Senators Hooser, Baker, English, Espero, Kidani, Tsutsui, Nishihara, Takamine.
S.B. No. 2430	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION.”	S.B. No. 2445	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AUDIT OF ELECTIONS.”
Introduced by:	Senators Nishihara, Galuteria, Slom.	Introduced by:	Senators Hooser, Fukunaga, Kidani, Takamine.
S.B. No. 2431	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION.”	S.B. No. 2446	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTRONIC VOTING SYSTEMS.”
Introduced by:	Senator Sakamoto.	Introduced by:	Senators Hooser, Baker, English, Tsutsui, Ihara, Nishihara, Takamine.
S.B. No. 2432	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HAWAII INSTITUTE FOR EDUCATIONAL PARTNERSHIPS.”		
Introduced by:	Senator Sakamoto.		
S.B. No. 2433	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE COUNTIES.”		
Introduced by:	Senator Sakamoto.		
S.B. No. 2434	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SALARIES.”		

S.B. No. 2447	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO REAL ESTATE BROKER LICENSING.”	Introduced by:	Senators English, Chun Oakland, Baker, Bunda, Espero, Fukunaga, Galuteria, Hee, Hemmings, Kokubun, Takamine, Tokuda.
	Introduced by:	Senator Nishihara.	
S.B. No. 2448	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO A STATE SCRATCH CARD GAME.”	S.B. No. 2458	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION.”
	Introduced by:	Senator Nishihara, by request.	Introduced by:
S.B. No. 2449	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DRIVER LICENSING.”		Senators English, Chun Oakland, Galuteria, Hemmings, Hooser, Kokubun, Nishihara, Takamine, Tokuda.
	Introduced by:	Senators English, Chun Oakland, Tokuda, Baker, Espero, Gabbard, Green, Hanabusa, Hee, Hemmings, Ige, Kidani, Kim, Kokubun, Nishihara, Takamine.	S.B. No. 2459
			“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR CARRIERS.”
			Introduced by:
			Senators English, Hee, Fukunaga, Galuteria.
S.B. No. 2450	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MARIJUANA.”	S.B. No. 2460	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE KAHO‘OLAWA REHABILITATION TRUST FUND.”
	Introduced by:	Senators English, Green, Baker, Bunda, Chun Oakland, Espero, Gabbard, Galuteria, Hee, Hemmings, Hooser, Ihara, Kidani, Kim, Kokubun, Nishihara, Slom, Takamine, Tokuda.	Introduced by:
			Senators English, Espero, Gabbard, Galuteria, Hee, Kokubun, Nishihara, Takamine.
S.B. No. 2451	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION.”	S.B. No. 2461	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION.”
	Introduced by:	Senators English, Baker, Galuteria, Kokubun.	Introduced by:
	Senators English, Baker, Chun Oakland, Gabbard, Green, Takamine, Tsutsui, Bunda, Espero, Fukunaga, Galuteria, Hanabusa, Hee, Hemmings, Hooser, Ige, Kidani, Kim, Kokubun, Nishihara, Slom, Tokuda.		Senators English, Hee, Nishihara.
S.B. No. 2452	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION OF SCHOOL CHILDREN.”	S.B. No. 2462	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION.”
	Introduced by:	Senators English, Baker, Chun Oakland, Green, Tsutsui, Bunda, Espero, Gabbard, Hanabusa, Hee, Hemmings, Hooser, Ige, Kidani, Kokubun, Nishihara, Slom, Takamine, Tokuda.	Introduced by:
			Senators English, Hee, Nishihara.
S.B. No. 2453	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO INFORMATION PRACTICES.”	S.B. No. 2463	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTRONIC TRAFFIC CITATIONS.”
	Introduced by:	Senators English, Baker, Chun Oakland, Green, Tsutsui, Bunda, Espero, Gabbard, Hanabusa, Hee, Hemmings, Hooser, Ige, Kidani, Kokubun, Nishihara, Slom, Takamine, Tokuda.	Introduced by:
	Senator Taniguchi.		Senators English, Fukunaga, Galuteria, Ige, Tsutsui.
S.B. No. 2454	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC AGENCY MEETINGS AND RECORDS.”	S.B. No. 2464	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO GOVERNMENT.”
	Introduced by:	Senators English, Gabbard, Galuteria, Hee, Tsutsui.	Introduced by:
	Senator Taniguchi.		Senators English, Hee, Nishihara.
S.B. No. 2455	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLE SUN SCREENING DEVICES.”	S.B. No. 2465	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SMALL CLAIMS COURT.”
	Introduced by:	Senator Chun Oakland.	Introduced by:
	Senators English, Green, Baker, Espero, Fukunaga, Gabbard, Galuteria, Hemmings, Ige, Kidani, Kim.		“A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE WOMEN AND INFANT CHILDREN FARMERS’ MARKET NUTRITION PROGRAM.”
S.B. No. 2456	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HARBORS.”	S.B. No. 2466	“A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE WOMEN AND INFANT CHILDREN FARMERS’ MARKET NUTRITION PROGRAM.”
	Introduced by:	Senators Chun Oakland, Baker, Fukunaga, Ige.	Introduced by:
	Senators English, Chun Oakland, Galuteria, Baker, Bunda, Espero, Fukunaga, Gabbard, Hemmings, Ige, Kidani, Kim, Slom, Takamine.		Senators Chun Oakland, Baker, Fukunaga, Ige, Tokuda.
S.B. No. 2457	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE PROCUREMENT CODE.”	S.B. No. 2467	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTHCARE.”
	Introduced by:	Senators Chun Oakland, Baker, Hooser, Ige, Hee.	Introduced by:
			Senators Chun Oakland, Baker, Fukunaga, Ige, Tokuda.
			S.B. No. 2468
			“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HANDICAP PARKING.”
			Introduced by:
			Senator Chun Oakland.
			S.B. No. 2469
			“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE EMERGENCY AND BUDGET RESERVE FUND.”
			Introduced by:
			Senators Chun Oakland, Baker, Hooser, Ige, Hee.

S.B. No. 2470	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATION TO EDUCATION.”	Introduced by:	Senators Galuteria, by request, Chun Oakland, Kidani, Bunda, Espero, Fukunaga, Gabbard, Hee, Hemmings, Kim, Kokubun, Nishihara, Slom, Tokuda.
	Introduced by:		Senators Galuteria, Chun Oakland, Espero, Fukunaga, Ihara, Sakamoto, Baker, Bunda, Green, Hee, Hemmings, Ige, Kidani, Kim, Kokubun, Slom, Taniguchi, Tokuda.
S.B. No. 2471	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION.”	Introduced by:	Senators Galuteria, Baker, Bunda, Chun Oakland, Espero, Fukunaga, Gabbard, Ige, Kidani, Kim, Kokubun, Nishihara, Sakamoto, Slom, Taniguchi, Tokuda.
	Introduced by:		Senators Galuteria, Hooser, Chun Oakland, English, Espero, Hemmings, Ige, Kidani, Kokubun.
S.B. No. 2472	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MORTGAGE FORECLOSURES.”	Introduced by:	Senators Galuteria, Baker, Bunda, Chun Oakland, Espero, Fukunaga, Gabbard, Hee, Hemmings, Ige, Ihara, Kidani, Kokubun, Nishihara, Sakamoto, Tokuda.
	Introduced by:		Senators Galuteria, Baker, Bunda, Chun Oakland, English, Espero, Fukunaga, Ihara, Kidani, Sakamoto, Tokuda, Bunda, Gabbard, Hemmings, Kim, Nishihara, Slom, Taniguchi.
S.B. No. 2473	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HOUSING.”	Introduced by:	Senators Galuteria, Baker, Bunda, Chun Oakland, English, Espero, Fukunaga, Gabbard, Hee, Ige, Ihara, Kidani, Kim, Kokubun, Nishihara, Sakamoto, Slom, Tokuda.
	Introduced by:		Senators Galuteria, Baker, Bunda, Chun Oakland, English, Espero, Fukunaga, Gabbard, Hee, Ige, Ihara, Kidani, Kim, Kokubun, Nishihara, Sakamoto, Slom, Tokuda.
S.B. No. 2474	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO INTOXICATING LIQUOR VIOLATIONS INVOLVING MINORS.”	Introduced by:	Senators Galuteria, Baker, Bunda, Chun Oakland, English, Espero, Fukunaga, Gabbard, Hee, Ige, Ihara, Kidani, Kim, Kokubun, Nishihara, Sakamoto, Slom, Tokuda.
	Introduced by:		Senators Galuteria, Chun Oakland, English, Espero, Fukunaga, Gabbard, Hee, Ige, Ihara, Kidani, Kim, Kokubun, Nishihara, Sakamoto, Slom, Tokuda.
S.B. No. 2475	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HAWAII PUBLIC PROCUREMENT CODE.”	Introduced by:	Senators Galuteria, Baker, Bunda, Chun Oakland, English, Espero, Fukunaga, Gabbard, Hee, Hooser, Ige, Ihara, Kokubun, Nishihara, Sakamoto.
	Introduced by:		Senators Galuteria, Baker, English, Espero, Fukunaga, Gabbard, Hemmings, Hooser, Ihara, Kidani, Kim, Nishihara, Taniguchi, Tsutsui.
S.B. No. 2476	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MINIMUM WAGES.”	Introduced by:	Senators Galuteria, Chun Oakland, Kidani, Baker, Bunda, English, Espero, Fukunaga, Gabbard, Hee, Hooser, Ige, Ihara, Kokubun, Nishihara, Sakamoto.
	Introduced by:		Senators Galuteria, Chun Oakland, English, Kidani, Kokubun, Sakamoto, Baker, Bunda, Fukunaga, Gabbard, Hee, Ige, Ihara, Kim, Tokuda.
S.B. No. 2477	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO GENERAL EXCISE TAX.”	Introduced by:	Senators Galuteria, Bunda, Fukunaga, Ige, Kidani.
	Introduced by:		Senators Galuteria, Bunda, Fukunaga, Ige, Kidani.
S.B. No. 2478	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION.”	Introduced by:	Senators Galuteria, Chun Oakland, English, Tokuda, Espero, Hee, Hemmings, Hooser, Ige, Kim, Kokubun, Nishihara.
	Introduced by:		Senators Galuteria, Chun Oakland, English, Tokuda, Espero, Hee, Hemmings, Hooser, Ige, Kim, Kokubun, Nishihara.
S.B. No. 2479	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO UNFAIR AND DECEPTIVE PRACTICES.”	Introduced by:	Senators Galuteria, Baker, Bunda, Chun Oakland, English, Espero, Fukunaga, Hee, Ige, Ihara, Kidani, Kokubun, Sakamoto, Slom.
	Introduced by:		Senators Galuteria, Baker, Bunda, Chun Oakland, English, Espero, Fukunaga, Hee, Ige, Ihara, Kidani, Kokubun, Sakamoto, Slom.
S.B. No. 2480	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC ORDER.”	Introduced by:	Senators Galuteria, Baker, Bunda, Chun Oakland, Espero, Fukunaga, Gabbard, Ige, Kidani, Kim, Kokubun, Nishihara, Sakamoto, Slom, Taniguchi, Tokuda.
	Introduced by:		Senators Galuteria, Baker, Bunda, Chun Oakland, Espero, Fukunaga, Gabbard, Ige, Kidani, Kim, Kokubun, Nishihara, Sakamoto, Slom, Taniguchi, Tokuda.
S.B. No. 2481	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PROSTITUTION.”	Introduced by:	Senators Galuteria, Baker, Bunda, Chun Oakland, Espero, Fukunaga, Gabbard, Ige, Ihara, Kidani, Kokubun, Nishihara, Sakamoto, Tokuda.
	Introduced by:		Senators Galuteria, Baker, Bunda, Chun Oakland, Espero, Fukunaga, Gabbard, Ige, Ihara, Kidani, Kokubun, Nishihara, Sakamoto, Tokuda.
S.B. No. 2482	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PROSTITUTION.”	Introduced by:	Senators Galuteria, Baker, Bunda, Chun Oakland, Espero, Fukunaga, Gabbard, Ige, Ihara, Kidani, Kokubun, Nishihara, Sakamoto, Tokuda.
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S.B. No. 2483	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE BUREAU OF CONVEYANCES.”	Introduced by:	Senators Galuteria, Baker, Bunda, Chun Oakland, English, Espero, Fukunaga, Gabbard, Hee, Ige, Ihara, Kidani, Kim, Kokubun, Nishihara, Sakamoto, Slom, Tokuda.
	Introduced by:		Senators Galuteria, Baker, Bunda, Chun Oakland, English, Espero, Fukunaga, Gabbard, Hee, Ige, Ihara, Kidani, Kim, Kokubun, Nishihara, Sakamoto, Slom, Tokuda.
S.B. No. 2484	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO NATIVE HAWAIIANS.”	Introduced by:	Senators Galuteria, Baker, English, Espero, Fukunaga, Gabbard, Hemmings, Hooser, Ihara, Kidani, Kim, Nishihara, Taniguchi, Tsutsui.
	Introduced by:		Senators Galuteria, Baker, English, Espero, Fukunaga, Gabbard, Hemmings, Hooser, Ihara, Kidani, Kim, Nishihara, Taniguchi, Tsutsui.
S.B. No. 2485	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MOKAUEA ISLAND.”	Introduced by:	Senators Galuteria, Chun Oakland, English, Kidani, Kokubun, Sakamoto, Baker, Bunda, Fukunaga, Gabbard, Hee, Ige, Ihara, Kim, Tokuda.
	Introduced by:		Senators Galuteria, Chun Oakland, English, Kidani, Kokubun, Sakamoto, Baker, Bunda, Fukunaga, Gabbard, Hee, Ige, Ihara, Kim, Tokuda.
S.B. No. 2486	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SUBMERGED LANDS LEASING.”	Introduced by:	Senators Galuteria, Bunda, Fukunaga, Ige, Kidani.
	Introduced by:		Senators Galuteria, Bunda, Fukunaga, Ige, Kidani.
S.B. No. 2487	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HISTORIC PRESERVATION.”	Introduced by:	Senators Galuteria, Chun Oakland, English, Tokuda, Espero, Hee, Hemmings, Hooser, Ige, Kim, Kokubun, Nishihara.
	Introduced by:		Senators Galuteria, Chun Oakland, English, Tokuda, Espero, Hee, Hemmings, Hooser, Ige, Kim, Kokubun, Nishihara.
S.B. No. 2488	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO RENEWABLE ENERGY.”	Introduced by:	Senators Hee, Gabbard, Hemmings, English, Fukunaga, Galuteria, Kokubun, Takamine.
	Introduced by:		Senators Hee, Gabbard, Hemmings, English, Fukunaga, Galuteria, Kokubun, Takamine.
S.B. No. 2489	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO NATUROPATHIC MEDICINE.”	Introduced by:	Senators Galuteria, Baker, Bunda, Chun Oakland, English, Espero, Fukunaga, Hee, Ige, Ihara, Kidani, Kokubun, Sakamoto, Slom.
	Introduced by:		Senators Galuteria, Baker, Bunda, Chun Oakland, English, Espero, Fukunaga, Hee, Ige, Ihara, Kidani, Kokubun, Sakamoto, Slom.

Introduced by: Senator Ige, by request.	Introduced by: Senators Espero, Chun Oakland, Fukunaga, Galuteria, Kidani, Sakamoto, Takamine.
S.B. No. 2490 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTERS."	S.B. No. 2504 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CARGO INSPECTIONS."
Introduced by: Senators Ige, Baker, Green, Nishihara, Espero.	Introduced by: Senators Espero, Galuteria, Kidani, Tokuda, Tsutsui, Bunda, English, Gabbard, Hemmings, Ige, Ihara, Sakamoto.
S.B. No. 2491 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TELEMEDICINE."	S.B. No. 2505 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PERSONAL RELATIONSHIPS."
Introduced by: Senators Ige, Kokubun.	Introduced by: Senators Espero, Bunda.
S.B. No. 2492 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PRACTICE OF PHARMACY."	S.B. No. 2506 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MEDICAL GIFTS."
Introduced by: Senators Ige, Kokubun.	Introduced by: Senators Ihara, Takamine.
S.B. No. 2493 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO USE OF TOBACCO SETTLEMENT FUNDS."	S.B. No. 2507 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LEGISLATIVE SUNSHINE PROVISIONS."
Introduced by: Senator Ige.	Introduced by: Senators Ihara, Chun Oakland, Baker, Bunda, Galuteria, Hemmings, Hooser, Kidani, Slom.
S.B. No. 2494 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE."	S.B. No. 2508 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT BENEFITS."
Introduced by: Senator Ige.	Introduced by: Senators Ihara, Galuteria, Slom.
S.B. No. 2495 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FIREARMS."	S.B. No. 2509 "A BILL FOR AN ACT PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE XVI, SECTION 2, OF THE HAWAII CONSTITUTION, TO AUTHORIZE THE LEGISLATURE TO REQUIRE THE FORFEITURE OR REDUCTION OF PENSION BENEFITS OF AN EMPLOYEE OF THE STATE OR A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION THEREOF WHO IS CONVICTED OF A FELONY RELATED TO THE EMPLOYEE'S EMPLOYMENT."
Introduced by: Senators Slom, Gabbard, Hemmings, Nishihara.	Introduced by: Senators Ihara, Galuteria.
S.B. No. 2496 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION FUNDING."	S.B. No. 2510 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' HEALTH BENEFITS."
Introduced by: Senators Slom, Hemmings.	Introduced by: Senators Ihara, Chun Oakland, Galuteria, Slom.
S.B. No. 2497 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE NATIVE HAWAIIAN GOVERNMENT REORGANIZATION ACT."	S.B. No. 2511 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CAMPAIGN SPENDING."
Introduced by: Senators Slom, Hemmings.	Introduced by: Senators Ihara, Hooser.
S.B. No. 2498 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO REAL PROPERTY BLIGHT."	S.B. No. 2512 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE LEGISLATURE."
Introduced by: Senators Slom, Baker, Chun Oakland, Galuteria, Hemmings, Kidani, Nishihara.	Introduced by: Senators Ihara, Chun Oakland, Galuteria, Hooser.
S.B. No. 2499 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE STATEWIDE TRAFFIC CODE."	S.B. No. 2513 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ETHICS."
Introduced by: Senators Slom, Galuteria, Hemmings, Nishihara.	Introduced by: Senators Ihara, Slom.
S.B. No. 2500 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE OFFICE OF HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS."	S.B. No. 2514 "A BILL FOR AN ACT PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE IV, SECTION 3, OF THE HAWAII CONSTITUTION, TO CONSTITUTIONALLY ESTABLISH
Introduced by: Senator Slom.	
S.B. No. 2501 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC ACCOUNTANCY."	
Introduced by: Senators Espero, Ihara.	
S.B. No. 2502 "A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE HAWAII CIVIL AIR PATROL FOR OPERATING EXPENSES."	
Introduced by: Senators Espero, Gabbard, Hooser, Ige, Ihara, Sakamoto, Slom, Takamine.	
S.B. No. 2503 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION."	

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Introduced by:	Senators Ihara, Baker, Espero, Galuteria, Slom, Takamine.	S.B. No. 2529 “A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTHCARE CLAIMS.”
S.B. No. 2515	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC FUNDS.”	Introduced by: Senator Ige.
Introduced by:	Senators Ihara, Espero, Baker, Chun Oakland, Galuteria, Slom, Takamine.	S.B. No. 2530 “A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTHCARE CLAIMS.”
S.B. No. 2516	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE FUNERAL INDUSTRY.”	Introduced by: Senator Ige.
Introduced by:	Senators Ihara, Chun Oakland, Baker, Espero, Galuteria, Takamine, Tokuda.	S.B. No. 2531 “A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ARCHAEOLOGISTS.”
S.B. No. 2517	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE COMMISSION ON SALARIES.”	Introduced by: Senator Hee.
Introduced by:	Senator Bunda.	S.B. No. 2532 “A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SUSTAINABILITY.”
S.B. No. 2518	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CHARTER SCHOOLS.”	Introduced by: Senators Kokubun, Baker, Chun Oakland, English, Galuteria, Hooser, Sakamoto, Tokuda, Espero, Kim, Takamine.
Introduced by:	Senator Bunda.	S.B. No. 2533 “A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AN AUDIT OF CONTRACTS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY WITH THE CORRECTIONS CORPORATION OF AMERICA AND THE FEDERAL DETENTION CENTER.”
S.B. No. 2519	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE OFFICE OF HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS.”	Introduced by: Senators Kokubun, Baker, Chun Oakland, Espero, Galuteria, Hooser, Kim, Tokuda.
Introduced by:	Senator Hee, by request.	S.B. No. 2534 “A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO BAIL.”
S.B. No. 2520	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAIIAN HOMES COMMISSION ACT.”	Introduced by: Senator Taniguchi.
Introduced by:	Senators Hee, Gabbard, Galuteria.	S.B. No. 2535 “A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ADMINISTRATIVE LICENSE REVOCATION.”
S.B. No. 2521	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COUNTY BOARDS OF WATER SUPPLY.”	Introduced by: Senator Espero, by request.
Introduced by:	Senator Hee, by request.	S.B. No. 2536 “A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HOMELESS.”
S.B. No. 2522	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LANDOWNER LIABILITY.”	Introduced by: Senator Espero, by request.
Introduced by:	Senator Hee, by request.	S.B. No. 2537 “A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE STATEWIDE TRAFFIC CODE.”
S.B. No. 2523	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL INSPECTIONS.”	Introduced by: Senators Espero, Bunda, Ihara.
Introduced by:	Senators Hee, Gabbard, Galuteria, Takamine.	S.B. No. 2538 “A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO INTOXICATING LIQUOR.”
S.B. No. 2524	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ISLAND BURIAL COUNCILS.”	Introduced by: Senators Espero, Bunda, Gabbard, Ihara, Takamine.
Introduced by:	Senator Hee.	S.B. No. 2539 “A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO WORKPLACE PRACTICES.”
S.B. No. 2525	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LANDS CONTROLLED BY THE STATE.”	Introduced by: Senators Espero, Chun Oakland, Kidani, Baker, Fukunaga, Galuteria, Ige, Ihara, Tsutsui.
Introduced by:	Senators Hee, Baker, Galuteria.	S.B. No. 2540 “A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC SAFETY.”
S.B. No. 2526	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO WIND ENERGY FACILITIES.”	Introduced by: Senators Espero, Galuteria.
Introduced by:	Senators Hee, Galuteria.	S.B. No. 2541 “A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FIREWORKS.”
S.B. No. 2527	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURE.”	
Introduced by:	Senator Hee.	
S.B. No. 2528	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SEPARATION INCENTIVES.”	

Introduced by:	Senators Espero, Bunda, Gabbard.	S.B. No. 2554	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO NET ZERO ENERGY CAPABLE NEW HOMES.”
S.B. No. 2542	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO VETERANS.”	Introduced by:	Senators Gabbard, English, Espero, Takamine.
Introduced by:	Senators Espero, Fukunaga, Galuteria, Slom, Tsutsui.	S.B. No. 2555	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTRICITY USAGE.”
S.B. No. 2543	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TECHNOLOGY.”	Introduced by:	Senators Gabbard, English, Espero, Hemmings, Takamine.
Introduced by:	Senators Fukunaga, Baker, English, Gabbard, Ihara, Tokuda, Galuteria, Hee, Hooser, Ige, Nishihara, Slom, Takamine.	S.B. No. 2556	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO RENEWABLE PORTFOLIO STANDARDS.”
S.B. No. 2544	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS TO ASSIST HONOLULU SEAWATER AIR CONDITIONING LLC PROJECTS ON THE ISLAND OF OAHU.”	Introduced by:	Senators Gabbard, Espero, Hemmings, Takamine.
Introduced by:	Senators Fukunaga, Baker, Gabbard, Galuteria, Hee, Hooser, Ige, Ihara, Nishihara, Slom, Tokuda.	S.B. No. 2557	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO GREEN BUILDINGS.”
S.B. No. 2545	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO INTOXICATING LIQUOR.”	Introduced by:	Senators Gabbard, Hemmings, Nishihara, Takamine.
Introduced by:	Senators Fukunaga, Baker, Chun Oakland, Espero, Galuteria, Hee, Ige, Taniguchi.	S.B. No. 2558	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FOSSIL FUELS.”
S.B. No. 2546	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EMERGENCY RESPONSE VEHICLES.”	Introduced by:	Senators Gabbard, Hemmings, Hooser, Bunda, Sakamoto.
Introduced by:	Senators Fukunaga, Baker, Chun Oakland, Espero, Galuteria, Hee, Ige, Slom, Taniguchi.	S.B. No. 2559	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION.”
S.B. No. 2547	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SMALL BOAT HARBORS.”	Introduced by:	Senators Gabbard, Espero, English.
Introduced by:	Senator Fukunaga.	S.B. No. 2560	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION.”
S.B. No. 2548	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY.”	Introduced by:	Senators Gabbard, English, Takamine.
Introduced by:	Senators Fukunaga, Baker, Espero, Ige, Hee.	S.B. No. 2561	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SPRAY PAINT.”
S.B. No. 2549	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EMPLOYMENT SECURITY.”	Introduced by:	Senator Gabbard, Nishihara, Takamine.
Introduced by:	Senators Takamine, English, Fukunaga, Hee, Kidani, Tsutsui.	S.B. No. 2562	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE DEPOSIT BEVERAGE CONTAINER PROGRAM.”
S.B. No. 2550	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FIREWORKS.”	Introduced by:	Senators Gabbard, Hooser, Baker, Bunda, Espero, Galuteria, Green, Hee, Taniguchi.
Introduced by:	Senator Gabbard.	S.B. No. 2563	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ENERGY EFFICIENCY.”
S.B. No. 2551	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO NET ZERO ENERGY BUILDING PERMITTING.”	Introduced by:	Senators Gabbard, English.
Introduced by:	Senator Gabbard.	S.B. No. 2564	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII CIVIL RIGHTS COMMISSION.”
S.B. No. 2552	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COASTAL AREAS.”	Introduced by:	Senators Takamine, Gabbard, Ihara, Taniguchi, Tokuda.
Introduced by:	Senator Gabbard.	S.B. No. 2565	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII CIVIL RIGHTS COMMISSION.”
S.B. No. 2553	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FIREWORKS.”	Introduced by:	Senators Takamine, Gabbard, Ihara, Taniguchi, Tokuda.
Introduced by:	Senator Gabbard.	S.B. No. 2566	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MEDICAL AND REHABILITATION BENEFITS.”
		Introduced by:	Senators Takamine, Bunda, Gabbard, Hee, Nishihara, Taniguchi, Tokuda.

S.B. No. 2567	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION.”	S.B. No. 2579	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION.”
Introduced by:	Senator Sakamoto.	Introduced by:	Senators Sakamoto, Kidani, Tsutsui.
S.B. No. 2568	“A BILL FOR AN ACT PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE X, SECTION 2, OF THE HAWAII CONSTITUTION, TO CHANGE THE BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM AN ENTIRELY ELECTED BOARD TO A PARTIALLY ELECTED, PARTIALLY APPOINTED BOARD.”	S.B. No. 2580	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PERMITS AND LICENSES.”
Introduced by:	Senators Sakamoto, Bunda, Chun Oakland, Galuteria, Kidani, Nishihara, Takamine.	Introduced by:	Senators Sakamoto, Kidani.
S.B. No. 2569	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.”	S.B. No. 2581	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PROCUREMENT.”
Introduced by:	Senators Sakamoto, Bunda, Chun Oakland, Gabbard, Galuteria, Kidani, Nishihara, Takamine.	Introduced by:	Senators Sakamoto, Kidani.
S.B. No. 2570	“A BILL FOR AN ACT PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE X, SECTION 2, OF THE HAWAII CONSTITUTION, TO CHANGE THE BOARD OF EDUCATION FROM AN ELECTED BOARD TO AN APPOINTED BOARD.”	S.B. No. 2582	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PROCUREMENT.”
Introduced by:	Senators Sakamoto, Bunda, Chun Oakland, Galuteria, Kidani, Kim, Kokubun, Nishihara, Takamine.	Introduced by:	Senators Sakamoto, Kidani.
S.B. No. 2571	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.”	S.B. No. 2583	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PROCUREMENT.”
Introduced by:	Senators Sakamoto, Bunda, Chun Oakland, Galuteria, Kidani, Kokubun, Nishihara, Takamine.	Introduced by:	Senators Sakamoto, Kidani, Tsutsui.
S.B. No. 2572	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION.”	S.B. No. 2584	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SELF-HELP HOUSING.”
Introduced by:	Senator Sakamoto.	Introduced by:	Senators Sakamoto, Galuteria, Kidani.
S.B. No. 2573	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION.”	S.B. No. 2585	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HOMELESS ASSISTANCE.”
Introduced by:	Senator Sakamoto.	Introduced by:	Senators Sakamoto, Galuteria.
S.B. No. 2574	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CHARTER SCHOOLS.”	S.B. No. 2586	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CHARTER SCHOOLS.”
Introduced by:	Senator Sakamoto.	Introduced by:	Senators Sakamoto, Galuteria, Kidani.
S.B. No. 2575	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HOUSING.”	S.B. No. 2587	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CHARTER SCHOOLS.”
Introduced by:	Senators Sakamoto, Kidani.	Introduced by:	Senators Sakamoto, Kidani, Galuteria.
S.B. No. 2576	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HOUSING.”	S.B. No. 2588	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE CHARTER SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE.”
Introduced by:	Senators Sakamoto, Kidani.	Introduced by:	Senators Sakamoto, Galuteria, Kidani.
S.B. No. 2577	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LOW-INCOME HOUSING.”	S.B. No. 2589	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CHARTER SCHOOLS.”
Introduced by:	Senators Sakamoto, Kidani.	Introduced by:	Senators Sakamoto, Galuteria, Kidani.
S.B. No. 2578	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION.”	S.B. No. 2590	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION.”
Introduced by:	Senators Sakamoto, Kidani.	Introduced by:	Senators Sakamoto, Galuteria, Kidani.
		S.B. No. 2591	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII TEACHER STANDARDS BOARD.”
		Introduced by:	Senators Sakamoto, Galuteria, Kidani.
		S.B. No. 2592	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE GENERAL EXCISE TAX.”
		Introduced by:	Senators Sakamoto, Galuteria, Kidani.
		S.B. No. 2593	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII HOUSING FINANCE AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION.”
		Introduced by:	Senators Sakamoto, Galuteria, Kidani.
		S.B. No. 2594	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HOUSING.”

Introduced by:	Senators Sakamoto, Galuteria, Kidani.	S.B. No. 2607	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ACTIVITY DESKS.”
S.B. No. 2595	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HOUSING.”	Introduced by:	Senators Baker, English, Espero, Fukunaga, Ige, Ihara, Tsutsui.
Introduced by:	Senators Sakamoto, Galuteria, Kidani.	S.B. No. 2608	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION.”
S.B. No. 2596	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO GROUP LIFE INSURANCE.”	Introduced by:	Senators Baker, Bunda, Fukunaga, Sakamoto, Takamine, Taniguchi.
Introduced by:	Senator Baker.	S.B. No. 2609	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DISTRIBUTIONS BY NONPROFIT CORPORATIONS.”
S.B. No. 2597	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII EMPLOYERS’ MUTUAL INSURANCE COMPANY.”	Introduced by:	Senators Baker, English, Espero, Hooser, Ihara, Sakamoto, Taniguchi, Tsutsui.
Introduced by:	Senators Baker, Bunda, Espero, Fukunaga, Green, Ige, Ihara, Takamine, Taniguchi.	S.B. No. 2610	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CONVEYANCE TAX.”
S.B. No. 2598	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE.”	Introduced by:	Senators Baker, English, Hooser, Ihara, Kidani, Tokuda, Tsutsui.
Introduced by:	Senators Baker, Chun Oakland, English, Espero, Fukunaga, Hooser, Ige, Ihara, Nishihara, Sakamoto, Tsutsui.	S.B. No. 2611	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO VITAL STATISTICS.”
S.B. No. 2599	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH INSURANCE.”	Introduced by:	Senators Baker, Kidani, Tsutsui, English, Hooser, Ihara, Nishihara.
Introduced by:	Senators Baker, Fukunaga, Green, Bunda, English, Espero, Gabbard, Galuteria, Hooser, Ige, Kidani, Nishihara, Sakamoto, Taniguchi, Tokuda.	S.B. No. 2612	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MORTGAGE LOAN ORIGINATORS.”
S.B. No. 2600	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTHCARE.”	Introduced by:	Senator Kidani, by request.
Introduced by:	Senators Baker, Chun Oakland, Green, Espero, Ige, Ihara, Kidani, Nishihara, Sakamoto.	S.B. No. 2613	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ENERGY.”
S.B. No. 2601	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ATHLETIC TRAINERS.”	Introduced by:	Senators Kidani, Chun Oakland, Hooser, Sakamoto, English, Espero, Gabbard, Galuteria, Ihara, Kim, Nishihara.
Introduced by:	Senators Baker, Espero, Ige, Ihara, Taniguchi, Tokuda.	S.B. No. 2614	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EXCESSIVE SPEEDING.”
S.B. No. 2602	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO REAL ESTATE LICENSEES.”	Introduced by:	Senators Kidani, Baker, Bunda, English, Espero, Gabbard, Galuteria, Hooser, Ihara, Kim, Nishihara, Sakamoto, Tsutsui.
Introduced by:	Senators Baker, Espero, Fukunaga, Ige, Ihara, Kidani, Taniguchi.	S.B. No. 2615	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION.”
S.B. No. 2603	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE SECURE AND FAIR ENFORCEMENT FOR MORTGAGE LICENSING ACT.”	Introduced by:	Senators Kidani, Chun Oakland, Espero, Hooser, Kim, Sakamoto, Baker, Galuteria, Nishihara, Takamine.
Introduced by:	Senators Baker, Espero, Fukunaga, Green, Ige, Ihara, Kokubun.	S.B. No. 2616	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FIREWORKS.”
S.B. No. 2604	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII TOBACCO SETTLEMENT SPECIAL FUND.”	Introduced by:	Senators Kidani, Espero, Galuteria, Kim, Baker, Tsutsui.
Introduced by:	Senators Baker, Fukunaga, Green, English, Espero, Hooser, Ige, Ihara, Nishihara, Tokuda.	S.B. No. 2617	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC AGENCY MEETINGS.”
S.B. No. 2605	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION.”	Introduced by:	Senators Kidani, Baker, Espero, Hooser, Ihara, Kim, Sakamoto, Galuteria, Nishihara.
Introduced by:	Senator Baker.	S.B. No. 2618	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO RENEWABLE ENERGY TECHNOLOGIES.”
S.B. No. 2606	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION.”	Introduced by:	Senators Kidani, Gabbard, Green, Hooser, Sakamoto, Baker, English, Espero, Galuteria, Ihara.
Introduced by:	Senators Baker, English, Tsutsui.		

S.B. No. 2619	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO NET ENERGY METERING.”	S.B. No. 2630	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION.”
Introduced by:	Senators Kidani, Espero, Galuteria, Hooser, Sakamoto, Baker, Ihara, Kim.	Introduced by:	Senator Hanabusa, by request.
S.B. No. 2620	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE WIRELESS ENHANCED 911 FUND.”	S.B. No. 2631	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION.”
Introduced by:	Senators Kidani, Espero, Hooser, Baker, Bunda, English, Galuteria, Ihara, Kim, Nishihara, Tsutsui.	Introduced by:	Senator Hanabusa, by request.
S.B. No. 2621	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC SAFETY.”	S.B. No. 2632	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PERMIT, LICENSE, AND APPROVAL APPLICATION PROCESSING.”
Introduced by:	Senators Kidani, Baker, English, Espero, Gabbard, Galuteria, Hooser, Nishihara, Sakamoto, Tsutsui, Bunda, Ihara.	Introduced by:	Senator Hanabusa, by request.
S.B. No. 2622	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CIVIL SERVICE.”	S.B. No. 2633	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HOUSING.”
Introduced by:	Senators Kidani, Bunda, Espero, Gabbard, Galuteria, Ihara, Nishihara, Takamine.	Introduced by:	Senator Hanabusa, by request.
S.B. No. 2623	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO RENEWABLE ENERGY.”	S.B. No. 2634	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO BIOFUEL FACILITIES.”
Introduced by:	Senators Kidani, Baker, Espero, Galuteria, Green, Nishihara, Sakamoto, Tsutsui, Ihara, Kim.	Introduced by:	Senator Hanabusa, by request.
S.B. No. 2624	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HAWAII TELEVISION AND FILM DEVELOPMENT.”	S.B. No. 2635	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO RENEWABLE ENERGY.”
Introduced by:	Senators Kim, Espero, Galuteria, Kidani, Tokuda, Tsutsui, Baker, Hee, Taniguchi.	Introduced by:	Senator Hanabusa, by request.
S.B. No. 2625	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO OUT-OF-STATE OFFICES.”	S.B. No. 2636	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PROCUREMENT.”
Introduced by:	Senators Kim, Kidani, Nishihara, Sakamoto, Bunda, Espero, Galuteria, Hanabusa, Hee, Kokubun, Takamine, Tokuda.	Introduced by:	Senator Hanabusa, by request.
S.B. No. 2626	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC SERVICE.”	S.B. No. 2637	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION.”
Introduced by:	Senators Kim, Espero, Kidani, Bunda, English, Galuteria, Hanabusa, Hee, Hooser, Kokubun, Nishihara, Sakamoto, Takamine, Taniguchi, Tokuda, Tsutsui.	Introduced by:	Senator Hanabusa, by request.
S.B. No. 2627	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE FOURTEENTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT.”	S.B. No. 2638	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION.”
Introduced by:	Senator Kim.	Introduced by:	Senator Hanabusa, by request.
S.B. No. 2628	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO REVENUE FOR DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION BUDGETED EXPENSES.”	S.B. No. 2639	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PROCUREMENT.”
Introduced by:	Senators Kim, Kidani, Nishihara.	Introduced by:	Senator Hanabusa, by request.
S.B. No. 2629	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HAWAII TOURISM AUTHORITY.”	S.B. No. 2640	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LOW-INCOME HOUSING.”
Introduced by:	Senators Kim, Galuteria, Tokuda, Tsutsui.	Introduced by:	Senator Hanabusa, by request.
		S.B. No. 2641	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PROCUREMENT.”
		Introduced by:	Senator Hanabusa, by request.
		REFERRAL OF SENATE BILLS	
		The President made the following committee assignments of bills introduced on Thursday, January 21, 2010.	
		S.B. No.:	Referred to:
		S.B. No. 2301	Committee on Water, Land, Agriculture, and Hawaiian Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
		S.B. No. 2302	Committee on Water, Land, Agriculture, and Hawaiian Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
		S.B. No. 2303	Jointly to the Committee on Water, Land, Agriculture, and Hawaiian Affairs and the Committee on Judiciary and Government Operations, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

S.B. No. 2304	Committee on Water, Land, Agriculture, and Hawaiian Affairs	S.B. No. 2328	Committee on Health
S.B. No. 2305	Committee on Judiciary and Government Operations	S.B. No. 2329	Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection
S.B. No. 2306	Committee on Judiciary and Government Operations	S.B. No. 2330	Committee on Water, Land, Agriculture, and Hawaiian Affairs
S.B. No. 2307	Committee on Judiciary and Government Operations	S.B. No. 2331	Committee on Energy and Environment, then to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection
S.B. No. 2308	Jointly to the Committee on Judiciary and Government Operations and the Committee on Transportation, International and Intergovernmental Affairs	S.B. No. 2332	Committee on Energy and Environment, then to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection
S.B. No. 2309	Committee on Judiciary and Government Operations	S.B. No. 2333	Committee on Energy and Environment, then to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection
S.B. No. 2310	Jointly to the Committee on Judiciary and Government Operations and the Committee on Transportation, International and Intergovernmental Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	RE-REFERRAL OF A SENATE BILL	
S.B. No. 2311	Committee on Judiciary and Government Operations	The Chair re-referred the following Senate bill that was introduced:	
S.B. No. 2312	Committee on Judiciary and Government Operations	S.B. No.:	Re-referred to:
S.B. No. 2313	Committee on Judiciary and Government Operations	S.B. No. 2015	Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection
S.B. No. 2314	Committee on Judiciary and Government Operations	ADJOURNMENT	
S.B. No. 2315	Committee on Judiciary and Government Operations	At 6:00 p.m., the Senate adjourned until 9:30 a.m., Monday, January 25, 2010.	
S.B. No. 2316	Committee on Judiciary and Government Operations		
S.B. No. 2317	Committee on Judiciary and Government Operations		
S.B. No. 2318	Committee on Judiciary and Government Operations		
S.B. No. 2319	Committee on Judiciary and Government Operations		
S.B. No. 2320	Committee on Judiciary and Government Operations		
S.B. No. 2321	Committee on Judiciary and Government Operations		
S.B. No. 2322	Committee on Judiciary and Government Operations		
S.B. No. 2323	Committee on Labor		
S.B. No. 2324	Committee on Labor, then to the Committee on Ways and Means		
S.B. No. 2325	Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection		
S.B. No. 2326	Committee on Labor, then to the Committee on Ways and Means		
S.B. No. 2327	Jointly to the Committee on Education and Housing and the Committee on Labor, then to the Committee on Ways and Means		