

## FIFTY-NINTH DAY

Tuesday, May 3, 2022

The House of Representatives of the Thirty-First Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2022, convened at 9:17 a.m., with Vice Speaker Mizuno presiding.

The invocation was delivered by Representative Val Okimoto, after which the Roll was called showing all members present.

By unanimous consent, reading and approval of the Journal of the House of Representatives of the Fifty-Eighth Day was deferred.

## SENATE COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications from the Senate (Sen. Com. No. 936 through 943) were received and announced by the Clerk:

Sen. Com. No. 936, dated April 29, 2022, informing the House that the President has made the following changes to Senate conferee assignments for the following bill:

S.B. No. 3334, Senate Conferees Changed:  
SD 2, HD 1 Senator Kanuha added as Co-Chair.  
Senator Dela Cruz discharged as Co-Chair.

Sen. Com. No. 937, transmitting H.C.R. No. 29, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK WITH STAKEHOLDERS TO DEVELOP A HOLISTIC MANAGEMENT PLAN THAT WILL ENSURE HANA HIGHWAY IS PROPERLY MAINTAINED AND IS SAFE FOR RESIDENTS AND VISITORS," which was adopted by the Senate on April 29, 2022.

Sen. Com. No. 938, transmitting H.C.R. No. 51, HD 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO PRIORITIZE FUNDING FOR AIR CONDITIONING IN SCHOOLS ON HAWAII ISLAND THAT ARE REGULARLY AFFECTED BY VOG," which was adopted by the Senate on April 29, 2022.

Sen. Com. No. 939, transmitting H.C.R. No. 56, HD 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO IMPLEMENT A FILIPINO HISTORY, CULTURE, AND IDENTITY SOCIAL STUDIES COURSE FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS," which was adopted by the Senate on April 29, 2022.

Sen. Com. No. 940, transmitting H.C.R. No. 93, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU TO PURCHASE CERTAIN TAX MAP KEY PARCELS TO BE USED FOR ADDITIONAL PARKING AND OTHER COMMUNITY NEEDS, AS DEEMED NECESSARY BY THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU," which was adopted by the Senate on April 29, 2022.

Sen. Com. No. 941, transmitting H.C.R. No. 125, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE AUDITOR TO CONDUCT A PERFORMANCE AUDIT OF THE DRIVER EDUCATION PROGRAM ADMINISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENTS OF TRANSPORTATION AND EDUCATION," which was adopted by the Senate on April 29, 2022.

Sen. Com. No. 942, transmitting H.C.R. No. 156, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TAKE ALL NECESSARY STEPS TO EXPEDITE WORK ON THE MAIPALAOA BRIDGE IN MAILI, OAHU AND IMPROVE TRAFFIC SIGNAL SUPPORT ON THE WAIANAE COAST AND URGING VARIOUS ENTITIES TO WORK TOGETHER TO IMMEDIATELY OPEN THE SECTION OF THE WAIANAE COAST EMERGENCY ACCESS ROAD SYSTEM EXTENDING PAAKEA ROAD OUT TO LUALUALEI NAVAL ROAD FOR PUBLIC USE ON A PERMANENT BASIS," which was adopted by the Senate on April 29, 2022.

Sen. Com. No. 943, transmitting H.C.R. No. 182, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THAT THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU CONVENE A WORKING GROUP TO DEVELOP RECOMMENDATIONS TO IMPROVE SIDEWALK MAINTENANCE," which was adopted by the Senate on April 29, 2022.

## INTRODUCTIONS

The following introductions were made to the members of the House:

Representative Yamane introduced from the American Lung Association: Dr. Cynthia Goto and Pedro Haro.

Representative Marten introduced her staff: Jennifer Barra and Stephanie Duarte Whalen.

Representative Ganaden introduced his staff: Kellie Dinwiddie Kala, Imari Olipani, Sofia Sallas, and Abby Evans.

Representative McDermott introduced his constituent, Niko Vitale.

Representative Ward introduced his constituent, Kinsey Texeira; and Carole Kaapu from the House Minority Research Office.

Representative Holt introduced Sylvia Hussey, CEO of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs.

Representative Nakamura introduced from AARP: Carol Wakayama, Barbara Service, Audrey Suga-Nakagawa, and James Enne.

Representative Perruso introduced from Hawaii State Teachers Association: Osa Tui, president; and Mitzie Higa, government relations specialist; Paula Adams, executive director, Hawaii Afterschool Alliance; Kat Brady, and Christy MacPherson from Faith Action Hawaii.

Representative Kapela introduced from Hawaii Appleseed Center for Law and Economic Justice: Gavin Thornton, executive director; and Will Caron, communications director; and Nate Hix, director, Living Wage Hawaii.

Representative Belatti introduced Kealii Lopez, state director, AARP Hawaii.

Representative Har introduced Bob Toyofuku.

## ORDER OF THE DAY

## SUSPENSION OF RULES

On motion by Representative Morikawa, seconded by Representative Matsumoto and carried, the rules were suspended for the purpose of considering certain House and Senate Bills for Final Reading by consent calendar.

## UNFINISHED BUSINESS

## Conf. Com. Rep. No. 209-22 and H.B. No. 1600, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1:

Representative Belatti moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 1600, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1 pass Final Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Luke rose to speak in support of the measure, stating:

"Mr. Speaker, I rise to speak in favor of House Bill 1600, House Draft 1, Senate Draft 2, Conference Draft 1. This budget includes \$8.7 billion in general funds and \$16.9 billion in all means of financing. It also includes around \$6 billion in capital improvement projects.

"Let me first begin by thanking my staff. It's not only that they work hard, their attention to detail and in-depth knowledge assists me in producing a good work product on behalf of you and the House. I am grateful to each and every one of them and I would not be able to do what I do without them. And although they did not want to come down because they wanted to hide in their offices because that's how they are, can we just give them a round of applause? And one special individual is actually in the media room, that's Nan Kalupahana, if you could stand, he's here so I don't screw up the

numbers. But that's how they are, they make sure that we do the best work and we present the best case for the State of Hawaii. And I think all of us, we have staff members and staff members here and we don't thank them enough. So, thank you on behalf of the House.

"I'd like to thank all the committee chairs, and if all the committee chairs could stand up. Thank you to all the committee chairs for all that you have done. I'm going to look at the ones who gave me the hardest time so I won't get sad. So, if I look at you directly, you know who are, let me see, I'm going to look at some of you guys and go, oh, good God, for the last several days it's been so hard. But I value every single one of you and all the work that you have done, especially the Finance members, thank you very much. So, if we could give these folks a round of applause. Okay, you can sit down because it wasn't all about you.

"And if I could just recognize all the Finance members. They went through a lot the last two years and this year, and it was a roller coaster. And if all the Finance members could stand. And these members were there when the state needed them. These members were there when we had \$3 billion deficit spending, long hours, weekends with me to craft the very hard last two, three years. But what a great day it is today.

"I want to thank Chair Dela Cruz and his staff for the long hours they spent in crafting this budget with us. So if we could give the Senate chairs and Chair Dela Cruz and his staff as well.

"And I specifically want to point out and specifically want to acknowledge GIA Sub-Chair, if you could stand and remain standing. And in spite of his peculiar taste in his dressing and outfit and the fact that we have gotten so much education in how to dress and how not to dress and how to act, it's a wonder that he can read the hundreds and hundreds of applications while he takes his sweet time picking out the exact matching ties and exact matching flower sometimes, and the ascot. So, it's a wonder."

Representative Johanson rose to yield his time, and the Chair "so ordered."

Representative Luke continued, stating:

"I'm amazed that he went through 300-plus applications this year. But I think one of the things we appreciated the most was how fair he was. And he took care of the needs of the entire state in looking at all the many applications that came in. What was telling about the applications this year was that many of the long-standing applications that have never come in for a GIA, have come in this year. That told us how hard it was for some of these organizations to make it through the last two years. And I think that put even more pressure on the GIA Sub-Chair. And so, thank you very much, and he deserves a round of applause.

"And of course, I want to thank the Vice Chair, and if he could stand. I didn't even say anything, what if it was going to be bad? But thank you for his work in passing the CIP budget that provides needed infrastructure for the entire state. But more specifically, he was my rock and he was my guide throughout the whole process. So, I really want to thank him.

"Governor John Waihee was recently quoted as saying this session was a banner year. Banner year for Native Hawaiians. What he actually said was not just a banner year, a billion-dollar year. And I think that deserves a great round of applause. Tyler Gomes, deputy director of DHHL, was very skeptical and was also quoted as saying he was getting ready for a big letdown when we announced in the beginning of the year that we will commit \$600 million, but he was supremely happy with the commitment made at the beginning of session and that the Legislature and this body stuck with it till the end.

"And we are here today, and we did that. When given the opportunity, due to increased revenues, we provided the largest total appropriation in the history of our state for the benefit of Native Hawaiians. I think each and every one of you folks deserve all the credit and for all the things that you have done for the community. So, if you could just stand and just raise your hand and just say, hey, we did it. Stand up, everybody.

"We appropriated \$600 million for DHHL to develop plots, purchase lands, and provide down payment and rent subsidies for individuals on the waitlist. We could have stopped there because a \$600 million commitment is a huge single-year appropriation. But we didn't stop at \$600 million, did

we, Mr. Speaker? Towards the end of session, through the leadership of the Speaker of the House, the State came to a resolution in the Kalima case, which only resulted because of the increased revenues and in having discussion with the Attorney General's Office to nudge the settlement. It resulted in a \$328 million settlement, which we have been unable to resolve for decades. And now we are able to at least look some of these people, the plaintiffs who have been waiting on the waitlist for decades, to say we were able to reach a settlement so that we can try to move forward on many of the people on the waitlist."

Representative Onishi rose to yield his time, and the Chair "so ordered."

Representative Luke continued, stating:

"So, with the \$600 million to DHHL, \$328 million to settle Kalima, we could have stopped there. But we didn't. And if Sylvia Hussey could stand up. For about a decade, the pro rata share of the ceded land revenues to the Office of Hawaiian Affairs remained at \$15.1 million. As no real discussion occurred about ceded lands revenues, this legislature made a decision to reset the amount at \$21.5 million. Not just prospectively, but retroactively, resulting in a one-time payment to the Office of Hawaiian Affairs in the amount of \$64 million.

"And the reason why I wanted to recognize Sylvia Hussey is because this didn't just happen overnight. We could have easily said, hey, the administration and Office of Hawaiian Affairs have not negotiated, but we're just going to nudge them to negotiate, do a working group, and then see if they come out with some resolution in the future. But we didn't do that. It took hours and days of negotiation with Office of Hawaiian Affairs, with Sylvia and Chair Hulu and others talking about what is something that is equitable and fair at this very moment when we have the revenues, because next year we may not be in the same position again. So, we wanted to thank you and Chair Hulu for being available and having a discussion with us to arrive at this decision today.

"But again, that wasn't all. We also provided \$10 million for homestead services and \$20 million for DHHL lot development. Additionally, to support the perpetuation of culture and history, thanks to the work of the Culture & Arts Chair, we provided \$17.5 million to Bishop Museum, \$2 million for ongoing support to Iolani Palace, \$500,000 for Kahoolawe Island Reserve, and permanent funding for Aha Moku Council, and I think Mahealani Cypher is walking around and she may visit you folks because she is so thankful for the commitment of this legislature to make Aha Moku Council ongoing funding permanent.

"For the last several years, we have been discussing how to help the ALICE families. And that was a reminder our Labor Chair constantly reminded us. AUW report found that some of the largest cost drivers for the ALICE population were taxes, housing, and childcare. By making EITC permanent, and stand up Gavin, you know I was pointing at you and Christy, remain standing, don't be shy, by your consistent message and advocacy to making EITC permanent, we, in addition to making EITC permanent and the \$300 tax rebate, your efforts and the efforts of the State House and the Legislature, a family of four this year could potentially have \$1,600 of tax rebates. And thank you for your constant advocacy and your support throughout the many years. Thank you.

"As for housing, thanks to the efforts of the Housing Chair, this legislature is appropriating \$300 million to build rental housing, that will be in another bill, and \$23 million for a \$500-per-month housing subsidy."

Representative Tarnas rose to yield his time, and the Chair "so ordered."

Representative Luke continued, stating:

"And \$5 million for a homeownership program. In addition to the \$600 million in DHHL, this amounts to \$1 billion-worth of government programs that will build rental housing and homeownership for the very needed population within our state. Thank you.

"For early learning expenses, we have been told that half the three- and four-year-olds don't have preschool access. That is about 20,000 kids out there who don't have the ability to be able to go to preschool and other childcare areas. That is why this legislature has appropriated \$200 million to build more preschools in another year. That will amount to about 150 classrooms, equivalent to about over 2,000 additional seats. That will not

take care of all three- and four-year-olds, but it's a huge step forward in a commitment that we made two years ago. And thank you very much for the Legislature and the Senate, especially, for agreeing to the \$200 million to build more preschools. And this year we're also providing \$6.9 million for Preschool Open Doors and provide Hawaiian-medium preschool pathways.

"In addition to caring for our ALICE population, this legislature helped our most vulnerable population. For the first time since 2009, we will once again provide adult dental services for the Medicaid population. Thank you to the efforts of many of you, because this has been a priority for many of you, especially on Kauai, especially on many of the rural areas that needed adult dental for our Medicaid population. So, thank you very much.

"We're also expanding postpartum coverage from two months to twelve months, and this has been a priority for the Women's Caucus members. And if I could recognize the Women's Caucus, sisters stand up, Women's Caucus sisters. This bipartisan group of women legislators have not only fought for post-partum coverage, they have fought for Title IX, they have fought for sex trafficking victim support, sex assault victims, and many others. And they work behind the scenes, many times quietly, to nudge many of the important bills that help the State of Hawaii. So, thank you very much to my sister legislators.

"This also provides more money for Kupuna Care. And we will ensure that no girl will ever be without a menstrual product at school by appropriating \$2 million into this budget. Special recognition goes out to the Ma'i Movement, and especially Sarah Milianta-Laffin with HSTA, who had been a strong advocate. And she had brought 30 Ilima Middle School and engaged middle school students to come and testify in front of many of the hearings. And to see students be engaged in that manner, it just gives us a lot of hope and inspiration for our future generation. So, thank you.

"One of the things that the Legislature and the media and others have really not talked about but it's a true sleeper this year, and I want to talk about sex trafficking victim support. This budget not only creates a new Sex Trafficking Abatement Office within the Attorney General's Office, but we're also funding victim witness support services and \$400,000 for an emergency shelter for sex trafficking victims."

Representative Nakashima rose to yield his time, and the Chair "so ordered."

Representative Luke continued, stating:

"This has been an ongoing and painful discussion, but we are happy to report that we're not only creating a new office to tackle this real problem, but also support an emergency shelter. And I want to recognize the Representative from Nanakuli and Representative from Kau, or whatever the new area that you have because of reapportionment, I can't even describe it, but you know who you are. So, thank you for your efforts.

"Of course, this budget, we also provided significant funding to support our teachers and schools. And thank you HSTA for continued patience. This budget provides not only money for differentials, but it also provides pricing, repricing methods, and other cost item to deal with long awaited compression issues. So, we just wanted to thank the teachers for their work, especially during the pandemic.

"It also provides protection to natural resources, and thank you to both the EEP Chair and the Water & Land Chair for your continued fight in making sure our natural resources are protected, helped our agriculture industry, thank you to Ag Chair and many others, especially the representatives from Hilo have really fought hard for ag concerns. So, I think the assistance for the ag industry was huge this year.

"It also appropriated monies for safety net programs and many other notable things, which at this point I won't go through because it's already 21 minutes I have spoken. But I am humbled and grateful that I had the opportunity to finish my last budget with this budget and all the significant bills we will be passing today. *Mahalo*."

Representative Ward rose to speak in support of the measure, stating:

"Mr. Speaker, in the spirit of bipartisanship, I stand in strong support of the budget, particularly with the enthusiasm in the details she gave about the Hawaiian community. I want to just do a footnote and supplement that,

yesterday I met with Leona Kalima in the hospital. She sends greetings to everyone. She is delighted, but also frustrated because she learned about this, Mr. Speaker, in the newspaper. No one consulted her. She was just wondering why would others, being that it was her case in 1999, 23 years ago that this all started.

"And with that, it's where \$328 million is good, even though I think it's like 900 have died on the 2,700 list. So, what we have left is with one-third left to the attorneys and then one-third left, or about \$121,000 for each plaintiff, depending on how long they've been on the list. Given the median price of housing is \$1.1 million, maybe \$121,000 can get you a parking stall.

"The point is this, we've done well, we should celebrate, and this is the most applause I've ever heard in a budget speech, but, Mr. Speaker, we have just begun, really, to do what for 100 years, if you remember when Prince Kuhio in 1921 said, we are going to put a house, a pasture, or an ag lot for the Hawaiian community. Now, with 28,000 on the waitlist, we've come a long way.

"Yes, this is a banner year. But I would say whoever comes into the chair of Finance with that same spirit, then we will accomplish what we have intended to do for at least 100 years. For that reason, Mr. Speaker, I hope we do not get weary in our well doing for the people of Hawaii and for Leona Kalima, who loves her people. We should give her a round of applause for Leona Kalima and what she has done. Can we do that, colleagues? For Leona Kalima, let's hear it for her. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

Representative Belatti rose to speak in support of the measure, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. In strong support and very brief comments. Mr. Speaker, 16 years ago as a freshman legislator, I was told the most important bill that we could pass that is an expression of our values, our priorities, is the state budget bill. So on behalf of this House and on behalf of this majority, if I could thank the person who has steered us through many a difficult water pathway and provided us with what I think is some of the best expressions of the very best values of the State of Hawaii, if we can give a round of applause to the Chair of Finance. Thank you."

Representative Nakamura rose to speak in support of the measure, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. In support. I, too, would like to thank the Finance Chair, Finance Vice Chair, and committee members for producing this budget that reflects our values, our core values. And embedded in the budget, as the Finance Chair mentioned, is the adult dental care for adults on Medicaid. So, the children were covered, but the adults were not. So, this resulted in a lot of emergency visits to the ER because preventive dental care could not be given and paid for. So, this bill goes beyond the basic request, which was to restore the dental benefits. This adds additional benefits. It's the option number two that our advocates had asked for. And this will go a long way to reducing overall costs of dental services to our adults. So, thank you, Chair.

"And I also would like to mention that embedded in the budget also is the lifting of the cap for our Division of Parks within DLNR. And this is so critical because as we talk about destination management, this cannot happen unless we invest in our beautiful parks that attract the visitors to Hawaii and are used by so many of our own residents. I think during the pandemic, everyone discovered the outdoors, the hiking, our beach parks, and the lifting of the cap gives DLNR the ability to improve our trails, to improve our restrooms, to put in parking reservation systems, bring in interpretive signage and rangers, all of these great things that will make Hawaii an even better place to visit for our visitors and for our residents to enjoy. So, *mahalo* to our outgoing Finance Chair for the incredible work on this budget."

Representative Yamashita rose to speak in support of the measure, stating:

"Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker. In support. I was going to insert comments, but maybe I'll just say a few words. First of all, I'd like to thank the Chair. This year people looked at me and they said, you look very tired. And I wasn't tired. You know when your hard drive is full and it's just a lot to take? And I sat on Finance for 14 years, and of that 14, 10 was with this chair, and I appreciate this last year because she exposed me to almost everything possible that Finance goes through. And I really, really appreciate that. And it was just like getting so much information so fast and everything like that.

"And this year was a very, very special year as far as Finance goes. It was a record number in many ways, \$6.28 billion in CIP, of that, it's highly unusual, but we had \$375 million in A funds, which is really, really unusual. And so, complicated by the MOE just made it very difficult. But I appreciate all of that. And usually I would talk about all these great things, and there were a lot of great things in the budget, but this is the first time the operating budget just will outshine the CIP budget by far. And there was a lot of great things in there. Mr. Speaker, I'm going to finish by inserting most of my comments, and that'll be the detail of what I believe are highlights in the CIP budget. But I just wanted to stand to just personally thank her for all the years and all the mentoring. Thank you very much."

Representative Yamashita's written remarks are as follows:

"Mr. Speaker, I speak in support of the budget. HB 1600, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1 appropriates \$500,000 in general obligation bonds to the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism for plans and design for a feasibility and cost study to redevelop the convention center.

"Mr. Speaker, the intent is to (1) perform a study to identify and assess alternative financing, project delivery, and cost recovery mechanisms to redevelop the convention center; (2) propose specific financing, cost recovery, and project delivery tools to be implemented at the convention center; (3) analyze barriers and strategies to implement alternative financing, project delivery, and cost recovery mechanisms for the convention center; (4) prepare a request for information or request for proposal; and (5) make recommendations, including any proposed legislation, needed to implement the redevelopment of the convention center.

"Mr. Speaker, the intent is also to ensure that the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism consults with the following persons in performing the study:

- (1) The president of the Hawaii Tourism Authority;
- (2) The director of the Office of Planning and Sustainable Development;
- (3) The administrative director of the Office of the Governor;
- (4) The director of finance;
- (5) The executive director of the Hawaii Community Development Authority; and
- (6) The director of planning and permitting for the City and County of Honolulu.

"Mr. Speaker, this budget also appropriates \$9,000,000 in general obligation bonds to Maui Health System for repairs, renovations, expansion, and upgrades to Maui Memorial Medical Center, Kula Hospital, and Lanai Community Hospital. The intent is to receive a report on the use of this funding from the chief executive officer of the Maui Health System, including details on the scope of work, expenditure breakdowns, and project implementation status for every capital project constructed, operated, improved or maintained with funds from the State including general obligation bond fund appropriations, no later than 45 days prior to the regular session of 2023."

Representative Tam rose to speak in support of the measure, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. In support. As a first-year freshman lawmaker here, sitting on the Finance Committee is very daunting, especially knowing that we will be handling the state budget. So, I believe I speak on behalf of my entire freshman class that all sat on Finance when I say that I want to thank the Chair of Finance for guiding us, for teaching us, and for allowing us this wonderful opportunity to learn. And the things that we are going to carry moving forward is going to help us become better lawmakers to represent the values of Hawaii. So, I want to thank you, thank you, thank you."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1600, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

At 10:00 a.m., the Chair noted that the following bill passed Final Reading:

H.B. No. 1600, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1

At 10:00 a.m., the Chair declared a recess subject to the call of the Chair.

The House of Representatives reconvened at 10:29 a.m.

## ORDINARY CALENDAR

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

At this time, the Chair stated:

"We will be taking a number of items out of order. Members, please turn to page 44 and refer to CCR No. 102."

#### Conf. Com. Rep. No. 102-22 and S.B. No. 3048, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1:

Representative Belatti moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that S.B. No. 3048, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1 pass Final Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

At this time, Representative Luke offered Floor Amendment No. 3, amending S.B. No. 3048, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1 as follows:

SECTION 1. Senate Bill No. 3048, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, is amended by amending page 4, lines 11 through 16, to read as follows:

"SECTION 7. There is appropriated out of the general revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$1,594,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2022-2023 for computer software and hardware; information technology improvements; videoconferencing improvements; and scanning and digitization equipment, services, and warranties."

SECTION 2. Senate Bill No. 3048, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, is amended by adding a new section beginning at page 5, line 1, to read as follows:

#### "PART V

SECTION 8. From the American Rescue Plan funds appropriation for disease outbreak control (HTH131) as appropriated in House Bill No. 1600, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1, the sum of \$5,000,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2022-2023 shall be expended for the procurement of rapid antigen tests to detect coronavirus disease 2019, with preference given to procuring such tests that have received emergency use authorization from the United States Food and Drug Administration, and that were developed in the State of Hawaii."

SECTION 3. Senate Bill No. 3048, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, is amended by adding a new section beginning at page 5, as appropriately placed to read as follows:

#### "PART VI

SECTION 9. In accordance with article VII, section 9, of the Hawaii State Constitution, and sections 37-91 and 37-93, Hawaii Revised Statutes, the legislature has determined that the appropriations contained within this Act will cause the state general fund expenditures for fiscal year 2022-2023 to exceed the general fund expenditure ceiling by \$213,189,484, or 2.10 per cent. The general fund expenditure ceiling will be exceeded for the following reasons:

- (1) The appropriations made in this Act are necessary to serve the public interest; and
- (2) The appropriations made in this Act meet the needs addressed by this Act."

SECTION 4. Senate Bill No. 3048, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, is amended by renumbering sections 8, 9, and 10 as sections 10, 11, and 12, respectively.

Representative Luke moved that Floor Amendment No. 3 be adopted, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Luke rose to speak in support of the proposed floor amendment, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. In support of this floor amendment. We are trying to correct three sections. The appropriation amount needed to be \$1.5 million as opposed to the \$500,000. The second part is to allow emergency approved FDA test kits to also be used by Department of Health



for test kits and antigen tests. The third section is to meet the constitutional mandate when we exceed the expenditure ceiling. Thank you very much."

Representative Ward rose to speak in support of the proposed floor amendment, stating:

"Mr. Speaker, I rise in strong, strong, strong support. Why would I say strong three times? Because on this floor, I've spoken so many times about Patrick Sullivan and the Oceanit, spit in a cup, which is now stick it in the nose, he's shifted, but he's got FDA approval. And I love what is in Section 8, because Section 8 says, hey, we want to get a local procurement of an antigen test, a rapid test. Mr. Speaker, I hope that means Oceanit, I hope it means Patrick Sullivan, because we're right on the precipice of having a new pharmaceutical industry. He has 65 PhDs already on his staff. They can do a number of things, not just with COVID but so many different things for the health of our people, as well as the Pacific and general world. So, with that, Mr. Speaker, strong support, this is a historic day, and my apologies for keep mentioning this time and time and again, but hopefully this is the day that we've made that it's actually going to happen. Thank you, Mr. Speaker, and thank you, Chair of Finance."

The motion that Floor Amendment No. 3, amending S.B. No. 3048, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO STATE FUNDS," be adopted, was put to vote by the Chair and carried, with Representative Marten being excused.

At 10:32 a.m., the Chair noted that Floor Amendment No. 3 was adopted.

At this time, the Chair stated:

"Members, please note the 48-hour notice for this measure. Members, please turn to page 45 and refer to CCR No. 116."

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 116-22 and H.B. No. 2512, HD 2, SD 2, CD 1:**

Representative Belatti moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 2512, HD 2, SD 2, CD 1 pass Final Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

At this time, Representative Yamane offered Floor Amendment No. 4, amending H.B. No. 2512, HD 2, SD 2, CD 1 as follows:

SECTION 1. House Bill No. 2512, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, C.D. 1, is amended by changing the reference from section 46-1.5(5)(B), Hawaii Revised Statutes, to section 46-1.5(5)(D), Hawaii Revised Statutes, on page 4, line 10.

Representative Yamane moved that Floor Amendment No. 4 be adopted, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Yamane rose to speak in support of the proposed floor amendment, stating:

"Mr. Speaker, the floor amendment is a friendly floor amendment for this important measure relating to Ohana Zones. For the edification of the members, we are changing a reference of a letter B to the letter referenced D to just ensure that we address some of the concerns that may pop up regarding the AG's opinion."

The motion that Floor Amendment No. 4, amending H.B. No. 2512, HD 2, SD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO OHANA ZONES," be adopted, was put to vote by the Chair and carried.

At 10:34 a.m., the Chair noted that Floor Amendment No. 4 was adopted.

At this time, the Chair stated:

"Members, please note the 48-hour notice for this measure. Members, please turn to page 49 and refer to CCR No. 175."

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 175-22 and H.B. No. 1800, HD 2, SD 2, CD 1:**

Representative Belatti moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 1800, HD 2, SD 2, CD 1 pass Final Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

At this time, Representative Luke offered Floor Amendment No. 5, amending H.B. No. 1800, HD 2, SD 2, CD 1 as follows:

SECTION 1. House Bill No. 1800, H.D. 2, S.D. 2, C.D. 1, section 5, is amended by deleting the proviso on page 9, lines 8 to 10, and shall then read as follows:

"SECTION 5. There is appropriated out of the energy security special fund the sum of \$350,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2022-2023 for the Hawaii state energy office to analyze pathways and develop recommendations for achieving the State's economy-wide decarbonization goals, as required pursuant to section 4 of this Act.

The sum appropriated shall be expended by the Hawaii state energy office for the purposes of this part."

Representative Luke moved that Floor Amendment No. 5 be adopted, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Luke rose to speak in support of the proposed floor amendment, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This is just to do a cleanup of the ceiling within the special fund. In support. Thank you."

The motion that Floor Amendment No. 5, amending H.B. No. 1800, HD 2, SD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CLIMATE MITIGATION," be adopted, was put to vote by the Chair and carried.

At 10:35 a.m., the Chair noted that Floor Amendment No. 5 was adopted.

At this time, the Chair stated:

"Members, please note the 48-hour notice for this bill. Members, please turn to page 51 and refer to CCR No. 202."

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 202-22 and H.B. No. 2424, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1:**

Representative Belatti moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 2424, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1 pass Final Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

At this time, Representative Yamane offered Floor Amendment No. 6, amending H.B. No. 2424, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1 as follows:

SECTION 1. House Bill No. 2424, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1, is amended by adding a new section at page 10, line 12, to read as follows:

"SECTION 7. If any provision of this Act, or the application thereof to any person or circumstance, is held invalid, the invalidity does not affect other provisions or applications of the Act that can be given effect without the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this Act are severable."

SECTION 2. House Bill No. 2424, H.D. 1, S.D. 2, C.D. 1, is amended by renumbering sections 7 and 8 as sections 8 and 9, respectively.

Representative Yamane moved that Floor Amendment No. 6 be adopted, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Yamane rose to speak in support of the proposed floor amendment, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This floor amendment will just add, again, a friendly floor amendment to add a severability clause to ensure protections to the State. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

The motion that Floor Amendment No. 6, amending H.B. No. 2424, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CHILD WELFARE SERVICES," be adopted, was put to vote by the Chair and carried.

At 10:36 a.m., the Chair noted that Floor Amendment No. 6 was adopted.

At this time, the Chair stated:

"Members, please note the 48-hour notice for this measure. Members, please turn to page 53 and refer to CCR No. 217."

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 217-22 and S.B. No. 2218, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1:**

Representative Belatti moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that S.B. No. 2218, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1 pass Final Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

At this time, Representative Luke offered Floor Amendment No. 7, amending S.B. No. 2218, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1 as follows:

SECTION 1. Senate Bill No. 2218, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, is amended by amending section 1, page 2, lines 1 through 4, to read as follows:

"Accordingly, the purpose of this Act is to establish a five-year food hub pilot program under the department of agriculture and appropriate funds for the program."

SECTION 2. Senate Bill No. 2218, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, is amended by amending section 4, page 5, line 18 through page 6, line 4, to read as follows:

"SECTION 4. There is appropriated out of the general revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$1,500,000 or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2022-2023 for the establishment of a five-year food hub pilot program, including the awarding of grant moneys to qualifying food hubs.

The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of agriculture for the purposes of this Act."

SECTION 3. Senate Bill No. 2218, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, is amended by deleting section 5 on page 6, lines 5 through 14.

SECTION 4. Senate Bill No. 2218, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, is amended by deleting section 6 on page 6, lines 15 through 19.

SECTION 5. Senate Bill No. 2218, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, is amended by renumbering section 7 as section 5.

Representative Luke moved that Floor Amendment No. 7 be adopted, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Luke rose to speak in support of the proposed floor amendment, stating:

"Thank you. In support of the floor amendment. This is to correct the appropriation amount. Instead of \$1.5 million divided between GO and general funds, it's \$1.5 million all in general funds. Thank you."

The motion that Floor Amendment No. 7, amending S.B. No. 2218, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO A FOOD HUB PILOT PROGRAM," be adopted, was put to vote by the Chair and carried.

At 10:38 a.m., the Chair noted that Floor Amendment No. 7 was adopted.

At this time, the Chair stated:

"Members, please note the 48-hour notice for this measure. Members, please turn to page 54 and refer to CCR No. 236."

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 236-22 and S.B. No. 514, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1:**

Representative Belatti moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that S.B. No. 514, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1 pass Final Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

At this time, Representative Luke offered Floor Amendment No. 8, amending S.B. No. 514, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1 as follows:

SECTION 1. Senate Bill 514, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, C.D. 1, section 6, is amended to read as follows:

"SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2022; provided that section 3 of this Act shall apply to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2020."

Representative Luke moved that Floor Amendment No. 8 be adopted, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Luke rose to speak in support of the proposed floor amendment, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. In support of the floor amendment. This floor amendment changes the taxable year from 2021 to beginning December 31, 2020. Thank you."

Representative McKelvey rose to speak in support of the proposed floor amendment, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. In strong support. I would like to thank the Chair for giving me the first opportunity in my career to speak on a friendly floor amendment. But members, this floor amendment is hugely important to our families who are being absolutely decimated by the cost of living right now. By making it this taxable year for this year's returns that people are filing right now, it means they will get checks in the mail immediately. And, boy, they sure could use it, Mr. Speaker. Thank you."

Representative Ward rose to speak in support of the proposed floor amendment, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'd like to adopt the member from Maui's comments as if they were my own. And one footnote, if I may. In support. Mr. Speaker, this is basically a historical footnote, it's been more than two decades that we've given back money to the people of Hawaii. Even though the Constitution says, when we've got two years of surplus, we should return it to them. So, as the good member from Maui said, the people really need this, they're hurting. But let's not wait another 20-some years before we do this again. Thank you, Mr. Speaker," and the Chair "so ordered." (By reference only.)

The motion that Floor Amendment No. 8, amending S.B. No. 514, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE GENERAL FUND," be adopted, was put to vote by the Chair and carried.

At 10:40 a.m., the Chair noted that Floor Amendment No. 8 was adopted.

At this time, the Chair stated:

"Members, please note the 48-hour notice for this measure."

At 10:40 a.m., the Chair declared a recess subject to the call of the Chair.

The House of Representatives reconvened at 10:53 a.m.

At this time, the Chair recognized the Clerk who announced:

"Mr. Speaker, I have been informed by a representative of the President of the Senate that the conference committee report for H.B. No. 1600, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1 was adopted, and said House bill, Relating to the State Budget, passed final reading in the Senate at 10:29 a.m. on this day.

"In addition, I have been informed by the Assistant Clerk of the House that at 10:48 a.m. on this day, H.B. No. 1600, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1 was duly transmitted by the Legislature to the Governor, pursuant to Article VII, Section 9 of the Hawaii State Constitution."

**CONSENT CALENDAR****UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

At this time, the Chair stated:

"Members, there will be no discussion on these items agreed to by this body for placement on the consent calendar."

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 4-22 and S.B. No. 3077, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 3077, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE BARBERING AND COSMETOLOGY LICENSING ACT," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 5-22 and S.B. No. 2685, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and

S.B. No. 2685, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PLANNED COMMUNITY ASSOCIATIONS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 6-22 and S.B. No. 2808, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2808, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 7-22 and H.B. No. 2111, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2111, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 8-22 and H.B. No. 2272, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2272, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATIONS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 10-22 and H.B. No. 2307, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2307, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD SAFETY," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 11-22 and H.B. No. 1768, HD 2, SD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1768, HD 2, SD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE DISPOSITION OF WATER RIGHTS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 13-22 and H.B. No. 2169, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2169, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE COMPREHENSIVE OFFENDER REENTRY SYSTEM," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 14-22 and H.B. No. 2312, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2312, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PRISON REFORM," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 18-22 and H.B. No. 956, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 956, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO STATEWIDE INTEROPERABLE PUBLIC SAFETY COMMUNICATIONS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 19-22 and H.B. No. 1588, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1588, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HAZARD MITIGATION," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 20-22 and H.B. No. 1412, HD 2, SD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1412, HD 2, SD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ABANDONED VEHICLES," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 25-22 and H.B. No. 1475, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1475, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MANDATORY ETHICS TRAINING," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 26-22 and S.B. No. 2457, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2457, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO IMMIGRANT RESOURCE CENTERS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 28-22 and S.B. No. 2118, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2118, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TRAFFIC VIOLATIONS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 29-22 and S.B. No. 2059, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2059, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO STATE SYMBOLS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 30-22 and S.B. No. 2202, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2202, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO VOLUNTEER MONTH," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 31-22 and S.B. No. 2960, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2960, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD SAFETY," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 33-22 and S.B. No. 339, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 339, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE IMPORTANT AGRICULTURAL LAND QUALIFIED AGRICULTURAL COST TAX CREDIT," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 34-22 and S.B. No. 1411, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 1411, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HISTORIC PRESERVATION," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 35-22 and S.B. No. 2767, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2767, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO FISH AGGREGATION DEVICES," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 36-22 and S.B. No. 3329, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 3329, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IN GOVERNMENT," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 37-22 and S.B. No. 1211, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 1211, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR CARRIERS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 38-22 and S.B. No. 3335, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 3335, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE CIVIL AIR PATROL," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 40-22 and S.B. No. 3141, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 3141, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE UNIFORM CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ACT," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 42-22 and S.B. No. 3165, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 3165, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO OPERATING A VEHICLE UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF AN INTOXICANT," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes to 1 no, with Representative Kapela voting no.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 43-22 and S.B. No. 2091, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2091, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EXECUTIVE PARDONS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 45-22 and S.B. No. 3298, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 3298, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SHOOTING FACILITIES," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 47-22 and S.B. No. 2017, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2017, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 48-22 and S.B. No. 3089, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 3089, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 49-22 and S.B. No. 2869, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2869, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SPOUSAL SUPPORT," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes to 1 no, with Representative Kapela voting no.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 50-22 and H.B. No. 1991, HD 2, SD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1991, HD 2, SD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CONSUMER PROTECTION," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 54-22 and S.B. No. 3172, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 3172, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC AGENCY MEETINGS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 56-22 and S.B. No. 3219, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 3219, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE SUNSHINE LAW," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 58-22 and S.B. No. 2383, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2383, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE STATE PROCUREMENT POLICY BOARD," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 59-22 and S.B. No. 2137, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2137, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TRANSITIONAL HOUSING," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 60-22 and S.B. No. 3372, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 3372, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC PROCUREMENT," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 63-22 and S.B. No. 3084, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 3084, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE ELEVATOR MECHANICS LICENSING BOARD COMPOSITION," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 64-22 and S.B. No. 2382, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2382, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CABARET LICENSES," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 65-22 and S.B. No. 2279, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2279, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CATALYTIC CONVERTERS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 66-22 and S.B. No. 2679, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2679, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DRIVER'S LICENSES," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 67-22 and S.B. No. 2032, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2032, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO GENETIC INFORMATION PRIVACY," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 68-22 and H.B. No. 2098, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2098, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT COST ITEMS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 70-22 and H.B. No. 2020, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2020, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HOUSING," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 71-22 and H.B. No. 1752, HD 3, SD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1752, HD 3, SD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HOUSING," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 74-22 and S.B. No. 2768, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2768, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII YOUTH CONSERVATION CORPS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 75-22 and S.B. No. 3330, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 3330, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE PUPUKEA MARINE LIFE CONSERVATION DISTRICT," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 80-22 and S.B. No. 1105, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 1105, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE MORTGAGE LOAN RECOVERY FUND," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 83-22 and H.B. No. 1586, HD 2, SD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1586, HD 2, SD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DISASTER RESPONSE," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 84-22 and H.B. No. 1587, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1587, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AN INTRASTATE MUTUAL AID SYSTEM," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 85-22 and H.B. No. 2120, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2120, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 87-22 and H.B. No. 2475, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2475, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO STATE HOLIDAYS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 88-22 and H.B. No. 2491, HD 2, SD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2491, HD 2, SD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAIIAN LANGUAGE," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 89-22 and H.B. No. 871, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 871, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL ENTERPRISES," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 90-22 and H.B. No. 2062, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2062, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL LOANS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 92-22 and H.B. No. 2421, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2421, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO WOMEN'S COURT," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 94-22 and S.B. No. 3054, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 3054, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII FILM AND CREATIVE INDUSTRIES DEVELOPMENT SPECIAL FUND," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 95-22 and S.B. No. 3087, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 3087, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ASSISTANCE COMPACT," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 96-22 and S.B. No. 2008, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2008, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HIGHWAYS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 97-22 and S.B. No. 1107, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 1107, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE HAWAII EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 98-22 and S.B. No. 2588, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2588, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HOUSING," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 99-22 and S.B. No. 2479, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2479, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO BROADBAND INFRASTRUCTURE," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 103-22 and S.B. No. 2390, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2390, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE JUDICIARY," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 104-22 and S.B. No. 2641, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2641, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE JUDICIARY," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 105-22 and S.B. No. 2663, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2663, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FILING FEES," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 106-22 and S.B. No. 2475, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2475, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 107-22 and S.B. No. 2347, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2347, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 109-22 and S.B. No. 2136, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2136, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO JURY SERVICE," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 111-22 and S.B. No. 2707, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2707, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COLLECTIVE BARGAINING," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 112-22 and S.B. No. 3126, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 3126, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE BOILER AND ELEVATOR SAFETY LAW," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 113-22 and S.B. No. 3142, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 3142, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE WORKERS' COMPENSATION LAW," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 117-22 and H.B. No. 2338, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2338, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE STATE DRUG AND ALCOHOL TOXICOLOGY TESTING LABORATORY," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 118-22 and H.B. No. 2339, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2339, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION TO THE STATE DRUG AND ALCOHOL TOXICOLOGY TESTING LABORATORY SPECIAL FUND," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 119-22 and H.B. No. 1798, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1798, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS FOR ASSISTING NOT-FOR-PROFIT CORPORATIONS THAT PROVIDE HEALTH CARE FACILITIES TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 120-22 and H.B. No. 1932, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1932, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CHILD WELFARE SERVICES," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 121-22 and H.B. No. 1982, HD 2, SD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1982, HD 2, SD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TAXES," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 122-22 and H.B. No. 2309, HD 2, SD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2309, HD 2, SD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO INCARCERATION," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 123-22 and H.B. No. 1741, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1741, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CHILDREN AND FAMILY OF INCARCERATED INDIVIDUALS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 125-22 and H.B. No. 1974, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1974, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PROCUREMENT," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 126-22 and H.B. No. 1568, HD 2, SD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and

H.B. No. 1568, HD 2, SD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURE," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 130-22 and S.B. No. 2184, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2184, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DIGITAL LEARNING," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 131-22 and S.B. No. 3090, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 3090, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FEDERAL INDIRECT OVERHEAD REIMBURSEMENTS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 132-22 and S.B. No. 3092, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 3092, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COMMERCIAL ENTERPRISES IN SCHOOLS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes to 1 no, with Representative McKelvey voting no.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 133-22 and S.B. No. 2893, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2893, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO A SCHOOL SUPPLY SUBSIDY PILOT PROGRAM," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 134-22 and S.B. No. 2081, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2081, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION COMMERCIAL ENTERPRISES REVOLVING FUND," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 135-22 and S.B. No. 2818, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2818, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SUMMER EDUCATION," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 136-22 and S.B. No. 1112, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 1112, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 137-22 and S.B. No. 2637, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2637, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC SAFETY," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 139-22 and S.B. No. 416, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 416, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO WITNESS FEES AND REIMBURSEMENTS IN CRIMINAL CASES," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 140-22 and S.B. No. 2182, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2182, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SCHOOL GARDENS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 144-22 and S.B. No. 2826, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2826, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 145-22 and S.B. No. 3091, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 3091, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO OPTIONS FOR STUDENTS IN DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION SCHOOLS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 146-22 and S.B. No. 2142, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2142, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COMPUTER SCIENCE," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 147-22 and S.B. No. 2115, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2115, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE ROOM CONFINEMENT OF MINORS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 149-22 and S.B. No. 3367, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1:**

Representative Belatti moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that S.B. No. 3367, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1 pass Final Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Yamane's written remarks in support of the measure are as follows:

"Earlier this year, the American Lung Association's State of Lung Cancer Report announced that Hawaii was last in the nation for early detection of lung cancer. In fact, over 50% of people who are diagnosed with lung cancer end up dying within the first five years of their diagnosis, making lung cancer the number one cancer killer in the state more than breast, prostate, and colorectal cancer combined.

"We worked closely with the Lung Association and other advocates to figure out how we could increase early lung cancer screenings in the state, and the answer is we don't know. We don't know why Native Hawaiians have one of the highest rates of lung cancer of any group in the nation. We don't know why less than 3% of people at high risk for lung cancer receive low-dose CT scans, a form of early lung cancer screening. We don't know which of the models to increase lung cancer screening implemented in other communities will work best for Hawaii's unique population.

"Senate Bill 3367 brings together the top people in the state to help us find out not only why but how we can increase early lung cancer screenings in Hawaii. I am grateful to my colleagues in the Finance Committee who have helped to appropriate \$250,000 so that needed research can be conducted and a lung cancer awareness campaign can be developed and launched by the Department of Health.

"I'm very proud of this bill because lung cancer has touched the lives of my family, as it has for thousands of other families in Hawaii. Next year, we will have received a full report which will have steps for the state to take to make sure that the people of Hawaii are receiving the proper prevention and early diagnosis that are needed. Because, as the Lung Association always says, when you can't breathe, nothing else matters."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 3367, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 150-22 and S.B. No. 2822, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1:**

Representative Belatti moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that S.B. No. 2822, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1 pass Final Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Yamane's written remarks in support of the measure are as follows:

"I'm proud to rise in support of Senate Bill 2822 today, which authorizes the Department of Education to provide trainings on asthma as well as trainings for youth suffering with asthma and their families.

"Asthma is the most common childhood chronic disease. Native Hawaiians and Filipino youth are even more susceptible to asthma, and those on Hawaii County, Maui County, and West Oahu are most affected. This bill creates the needed framework for the Department of Education to equip teachers and other staff that work with children to understand and respond adequately to our *keiki* with asthma.

"I had the pleasure of talking to various teachers and school principals who expressed that managing asthma is an issue for many of their students. This is particularly troubling during the time of COVID-19 as a classroom teacher can't tell the difference between coughing from or coughing from a contagious disease, like COVID-19. Many times, teachers have just minutes to respond to a child experiencing respiratory distress due to uncontrolled asthma.

"*Mahalo* the American Lung Association in Hawaii for helping with the drafting of the legislation and sharing published research they have helped develop on the subject. *Mahalo* also to the many advocates that helped push this bill through the various committees, the Chair of Education, who helped co-author the bill, and the Finance Chair who moved this bill through her committee."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2822, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ASTHMA," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 151-22 and S.B. No. 2214, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2214, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DIGITAL LITERACY," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 153-22 and S.B. No. 3236, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 3236, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MEDICAID PATIENT CARE," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 154-22 and S.B. No. 2283, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2283, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII HYDROGEN STRATEGIC PLAN," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 155-22 and S.B. No. 3229, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 3229, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO GEOTHERMAL ROYALTIES," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes to 1 no, with Representative Kapela voting no.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 159-22 and H.B. No. 2336, HD 2, SD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2336, HD 2, SD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE PHOTO RED LIGHT IMAGING DETECTOR SYSTEMS PROGRAM," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 160-22 and H.B. No. 1971, HD 2, SD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1971, HD 2, SD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PEER-TO-PEER CAR-SHARING," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 161-22 and H.B. No. 1619, HD 2, SD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1619, HD 2, SD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PEER-TO-PEER CAR-SHARING INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 162-22 and H.B. No. 1992, HD 3, SD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1992, HD 3, SD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE ENVIRONMENT," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 163-22 and H.B. No. 1179, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1179, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO INVASIVE SPECIES," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 167-22 and S.B. No. 3201, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 3201, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 168-22 and S.B. No. 2144, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2144, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTRONIC INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY ACCESSIBILITY FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 169-22 and S.B. No. 2076, SD 2, HD 3, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2076, SD 2, HD 3, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO BROADBAND SERVICE INFRASTRUCTURE," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 170-22 and H.B. No. 2255, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2255, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ENERGY EFFICIENCY," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 173-22 and H.B. No. 1539, HD 2, SD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1539, HD 2, SD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT



RELATING TO THE SAFETY OF JUDICIARY PERSONNEL," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 174-22 and H.B. No. 1536, HD 2, SD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1536, HD 2, SD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE JUDICIARY," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 177-22 and S.B. No. 3075, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 3075, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FRANCHISE TAX," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 180-22 and S.B. No. 2186, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2186, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC SCHOOL LAND TRANSFER," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 181-22 and S.B. No. 2478, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2478, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 182-22 and H.B. No. 1885, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1885, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO GOVERNMENT DATA," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 185-22 and H.B. No. 1561, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1561, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 187-22 and S.B. No. 2370, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2370, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HOMELESSNESS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 188-22 and S.B. No. 1137, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 1137, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE SPOUSE AND CHILD ABUSE SPECIAL FUND," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 189-22 and S.B. No. 2378, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2378, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE TAXATION BOARD OF REVIEW," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 190-22 and S.B. No. 2379, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2379, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE SPECIAL ENFORCEMENT SECTION," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 191-22 and S.B. No. 2384, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2384, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HAWAII PRODUCTS PREFERENCE," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 192-22 and S.B. No. 2387, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2387, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PROCUREMENT," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 194-22 and S.B. No. 3282, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 3282, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO GOVERNMENT RECORDS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 196-22 and S.B. No. 3324, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 3324, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO INFRASTRUCTURE MAINTENANCE IN HOUSING SUBDIVISIONS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 197-22 and S.B. No. 3369, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 3369, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PROCUREMENT," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 201-22 and S.B. No. 2720, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2720, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ENERGY," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 204-22 and H.B. No. 1980, HD 2, SD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1980, HD 2, SD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TELEPHONIC SERVICES," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes to 1 no, with Representative Kapela voting no.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 205-22 and H.B. No. 1893, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1893, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE OAHU REGIONAL HEALTH CARE SYSTEM," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 206-22 and S.B. No. 3158, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 3158, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 207-22 and S.B. No. 3111, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and

S.B. No. 3111, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FAMILY RESOURCE CENTERS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 210-22 and H.B. No. 1540, SD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1540, SD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO STATE BONDS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 211-22 and S.B. No. 2695, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2695, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CRYPTOCURRENCY," passed Final Reading by a vote of 49 ayes to 2 noes, with Representatives Kapela and McKelvey voting no.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 214-22 and S.B. No. 3294, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 3294, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO REENTRY PLANNING CIRCLES," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 218-22 and S.B. No. 2284, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2284, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AQUACULTURE," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 219-22 and S.B. No. 2621, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2621, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 220-22 and S.B. No. 2989, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2989, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURE," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 221-22 and S.B. No. 3004, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 3004, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COMPOSTING," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 222-22 and S.B. No. 3197, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 3197, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURE," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 223-22 and S.B. No. 3325, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 3325, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CARBON SEQUESTRATION INCENTIVES," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 224-22 and S.B. No. 3379, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 3379, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO BIOSECURITY," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 225-22 and S.B. No. 2280, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2280, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DENTAL ASSISTANTS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 226-22 and S.B. No. 2274, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2274, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE CENTER FOR NURSING," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 227-22 and S.B. No. 2624, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2624, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 228-22 and S.B. No. 1138, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 1138, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE OFFICE OF HEALTHCARE ASSURANCE SPECIAL FUND," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 231-22 and H.B. No. 2240, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2240, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFITS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 237-22 and S.B. No. 2657, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2657, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MEDICAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 238-22 and S.B. No. 2597, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2597, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LOAN REPAYMENT FOR HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONALS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 239-22 and S.B. No. 2600, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2600, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANKS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 240-22 and S.B. No. 2784, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2784, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT COST ITEMS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 241-22 and S.B. No. 2785, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2785, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT COST ITEMS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 242-22 and S.B. No. 2787, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2787, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT COST ITEMS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 243-22 and S.B. No. 2788, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2788, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT COST ITEMS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 244-22 and S.B. No. 2789, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2789, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT COST ITEMS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 245-22 and S.B. No. 2792, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2792, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT COST ITEMS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 246-22 and S.B. No. 2795, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2795, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT COST ITEMS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 247-22 and S.B. No. 2783, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2783, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT COST ITEMS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 248-22 and S.B. No. 2794, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2794, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC EMPLOYMENT COST ITEMS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

At 10:56 a.m., the Chair noted that the following bills passed Final Reading:

S.B. No. 3077, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2685, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2808, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 2111, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 2272, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 2307, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 1768, HD 2, SD 2, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 2169, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 2312, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 956, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1

H.B. No. 1588, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 1412, HD 2, SD 1, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 1475, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2457, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2118, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2059, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2202, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2960, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 339, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 1411, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2767, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 3329, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 1211, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 3335, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 3141, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 3165, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2091, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 3298, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2017, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 3089, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2869, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 1991, HD 2, SD 2, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 3172, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 3219, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2383, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2137, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 3372, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 3084, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2382, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2279, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2679, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2032, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 2098, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 2020, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 1752, HD 3, SD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2768, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 3330, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 1105, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 1586, HD 2, SD 1, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 1587, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 2120, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 2475, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 2491, HD 2, SD 2, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 871, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 2062, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 2421, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 3054, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 3087, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2008, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 1107, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2588, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2479, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2390, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2641, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2663, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2475, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2347, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2136, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2707, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 3126, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 3142, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 2338, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 2339, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 1798, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 1932, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 1982, HD 2, SD 2, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 2309, HD 2, SD 2, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 1741, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 1974, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 1568, HD 2, SD 2, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2184, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 3090, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 3092, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1

S.B. No. 2893, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2081, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2818, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 1112, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2637, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 416, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2182, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2826, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 3091, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2142, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2115, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 3367, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2822, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2214, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 3236, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2283, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 3229, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 2336, HD 2, SD 2, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 1971, HD 2, SD 1, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 1619, HD 2, SD 2, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 1992, HD 3, SD 1, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 1179, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 3201, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2144, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2076, SD 2, HD 3, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 2255, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 1539, HD 2, SD 2, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 1536, HD 2, SD 2, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 3075, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2186, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2478, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 1885, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 1561, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2370, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 1137, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2378, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2379, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2384, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2387, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 3282, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 3324, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 3369, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2720, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 1980, HD 2, SD 2, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 1893, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 3158, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 3111, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 1540, SD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2695, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 3294, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2284, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2621, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2989, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 3004, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 3197, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 3325, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 3379, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2280, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2274, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2624, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 1138, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 2240, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2657, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2597, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2600, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2784, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2785, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2787, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2788, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2789, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2792, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2795, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2783, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1

S.B. No. 2794, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1

At this time, the Chair stated:

"Members, please remember to submit to the Clerk the list of House and Senate bills on the consent calendar for which you will be providing written comments in support or in opposition. This must be done by adjournment of today's floor session."

At 10:56 a.m., the Chair declared a recess subject to the call of the Chair.

The House of Representatives reconvened at 10:57 a.m., with Speaker Saiki presiding.

## ORDINARY CALENDAR

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

#### Conf. Com. Rep. No. 1-22 and S.B. No. 2752, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1:

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2752, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ABANDONED WELLS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes to 1 no, with Representative McDermott voting no.

#### Conf. Com. Rep. No. 2-22 and S.B. No. 2163, HD 1, CD 1:

Representative Belatti moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that S.B. No. 2163, HD 1, CD 1 pass Final Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative LoPresti rose to speak in support of the measure with reservations, stating:

"With reservations. My reservations, Mr. Speaker, stem from the fact that in Judiciary Committee, I supported this because the lookback period was 10 years. I didn't, frankly, from my impression and my colleagues on the committee, we didn't have the votes to move it out of the committee if it was more than 10 years. And I just realized it had been moved to 15. So, I have reservations. Thank you."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2163, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO NEGLIGENT HOMICIDE," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes to 1 no, with Representative LoPresti voting aye with reservations, and with Representative Kapela voting no.

#### Conf. Com. Rep. No. 3-22 and S.B. No. 204, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1:

Representative Belatti moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that S.B. No. 204, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1 pass Final Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Wildberger rose and asked that the Clerk record an aye vote with reservations for her, and the Chair "so ordered."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 204, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AQUATIC RESOURCES," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes to 1 no, with Representative Wildberger voting aye with reservations, and with Representative McDermott voting no.

#### Conf. Com. Rep. No. 9-22 and H.B. No. 137, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1:

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 137, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LIQUOR," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

#### Conf. Com. Rep. No. 12-22 and H.B. No. 2280, HD 2, SD 1, CD 1:

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2280, HD 2, SD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO REAL PROPERTY," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 15-22 and H.B. No. 1787, HD 2, SD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1787, HD 2, SD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 16-22 and H.B. No. 1436, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1436, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DEVELOPMENT RIGHTS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 17-22 and H.B. No. 1872, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1872, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SUSTAINABILITY," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes to 1 no, with Representative Lowen voting no.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 21-22 and H.B. No. 1413, HD 2, SD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1413, HD 2, SD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ABANDONED VEHICLES," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes to 1 no, with Representative McDermott voting no.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 22-22 and H.B. No. 1414, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1414, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ABANDONED VEHICLES," passed Final Reading by a vote of 49 ayes to 2 noes, with Representatives Kapela and Perruso voting no.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 23-22 and H.B. No. 1688, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1688, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES," passed Final Reading by a vote of 49 ayes to 2 noes, with Representatives McDermott and Ward voting no.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 24-22 and H.B. No. 2416, HD 2, SD 1, CD 1:**

Representative Belatti moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 2416, HD 2, SD 1, CD 1 pass Final Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Kapela rose to speak in opposition to the measure, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. In opposition with a brief comment. As good government advocates have pointed out throughout this session, this bill seems to narrowly target certain nonprofit organizations like Sierra Club or the Hawaii Children's Action Network, while allowing other deeply influential organizations off the hook, like the Chamber of Commerce. That doesn't make sense. The political tentacles of groups like the Chamber of Commerce are very far reaching. They should not be given special treatment under our campaign spending laws.

"Additionally, I've recently learned that measures similar to this one were proposed as part of the administration's prior efforts to suppress the political activities of the *kia'i* on Mauna Kea. While I'm not saying that this bill is specifically related to those efforts, it could have unintended consequences of limiting the political rights of Native Hawaiians who are engaging in cultural protests.

"In a year in which we are passing transformational legislation for the Native Hawaiian community, I believe that we should be very careful about the unintended consequences of measures like this, which may be used to

erode the freedom of speech and expression that is essential to making progress on Hawaiian issues."

Representative LoPresti rose to speak in support of the measure with reservations, stating:

"With reservations. First, I'd like the words of the previous speaker entered into the Journal as if they were my own. I was a no on this and I've changed to a reservation because some of the conference committee changes that have been made to the bill, which I appreciate. But I still share some concerns. Thank you," and the Chair "so ordered." (By reference only.)

Representative Kitagawa rose to speak in support of the measure, stating:

"In support. I'd just like to point out that this bill actually, which relates to dark money, in the conference committee draft, it only addresses nonprofit organizations that are registered as non-candidate committees, which means that they are already engaging in campaign-related activities. So, if a nonprofit organization does not engage in any electioneering or any kind of donations to candidates or engages in any type of activity related to elections, they are not under this bill. It is only related to those who engage and are qualified under current law as a non-candidate committee. Thank you."

Representative Perruso rose and asked that the Clerk record an aye vote with reservations for her, and the Chair "so ordered."

Representative Belatti rose to speak in support of the measure, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. In support of House Bill 2416, CD 1. And I would just like to underscore the comments of the Vice Chair from CPC. This is about disclosure, at the end of the day. And dark money, from whatever advocacy group on the political spectrum, needs to be subject to sunshine. And this is, at the end of the day, a disclosure bill. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2416, HD 2, SD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CAMPAIGN SPENDING," passed Final Reading by a vote of 49 ayes to 2 noes, with Representatives LoPresti and Perruso voting aye with reservations, and with Representatives Ganaden and Kapela voting no.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 27-22 and S.B. No. 152, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 152, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CHILD PASSENGER RESTRAINTS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 32-22 and S.B. No. 2990, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2990, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SUSTAINABLE AGRICULTURE," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes to 1 no, with Representative McDermott voting no.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 39-22 and S.B. No. 3140, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1:**

Representative Belatti moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that S.B. No. 3140, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1 pass Final Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Kapela rose to speak in opposition to the measure, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. In opposition. Cannabis legalization is on the horizon. And while some people may be reluctant to accept that, it's clear that the movement for legalization is picking up steam. While well-intended, I am very concerned that this measure may set a very dangerous precedent for holding small cannabis operations accountable for crimes that are actually committed against themselves.

"With regard to both legalization and the expansion of the medical cannabis industry, cannabis advocates are championing a horizontal framework in which numerous entities are able to participate in the cannabis

marketplace by focusing on their individual areas of specialization. When legalization comes, which it will, demand will be so high, no pun intended, that the current dispensaries won't be able to produce enough product to meet it. We will need to empower dozens of new operations to participate in the growth, distribution, marketing, and scale, and sale of cannabis products, many of which may be truly small businesses.

"So, we should not be setting a precedent for criminalizing those operations when someone steals their product, rather than focusing on other ways to deter theft. To do so only perpetuates the false belief that cannabis is harmful to our community. It's not. So, we need to be working to dismantle legal barriers to the development of our cannabis industry, not building more roadblocks to its success."

Representative Perruso rose and asked that the Clerk record an aye vote with reservations for her, and the Chair "so ordered."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 3140, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE UNIFORM CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES ACT MANDATORY REPORTING," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes to 1 no, with Representative Perruso voting aye with reservations, and with Representative Kapela voting no.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 41-22 and S.B. No. 3085, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1:**

Representative Belatti moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that S.B. No. 3085, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1 pass Final Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Perruso rose to speak in opposition to the measure, stating:

"I stand in opposition with brief comments. So, when I first started, I've been asking questions about this bill all session, and I think that this is actually a sleeper bill because all of the responses I've gotten have just been that this bill is simply an update to existing law that was only last updated in 1984.

"The stated purpose of this bill is to update, it says in the preamble, the punitive sections of the military justice code within the state military forces in Hawaii. The authors argue that the current Hawaii Code of Military Justice lacks the necessary disciplinary options to provide for 'effective and efficient good order and discipline in the state military forces' without providing any evidence to support this assertion, either in the preamble or in any of the supporting testimony.

"This is important because the National Guard is a unique branch of the U.S. military that has both state and federal responsibilities. We all know that the guard routinely responds to domestic emergencies such as natural disasters, and it supports military operations overseas, which can sometimes be controversial. But presidents and governors have also used the guard to respond to civil unrest, which has at times caused controversy in various states and in various situations. It is this second area of responsibility that should give us pause.

"This bill will tighten control of enlisted members by officers and commanders through stricter delineation of provisions relating to apprehension, restraint, and confinement of suspects, punishable offenses, non-judicial punishment, and confinement. This code will require more total submission to authority. I worry that this kind of power and control in the hands of the wrong governor could lead to very destructive outcomes in cases like the protests we saw on the *mauna* and in other examples of peaceful disobedience. For these reasons, I oppose this measure."

Representative Ganaden rose to speak in support of the measure with reservations, stating:

"With reservations, brief comment. Just like to note that the State does maintain original jurisdiction in many of the issues that are brought up by this bill in family law, in criminal law, and a variety of other things. We would hope that the State maintains that original jurisdiction moving forward. Of course, if you are a member of the National Guard, you do subject yourself to this military code of conduct for things like treason, subordination, the kinds of things that our civilians don't subject ourselves to. Hoping that we keep an eye on this moving forward. Thank you."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 3085, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII CODE OF MILITARY JUSTICE," passed Final Reading by a vote of 49 ayes to 2 noes, with Representative Ganaden voting aye with reservations, and with Representatives Kapela and Perruso voting no.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 44-22 and S.B. No. 3041, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1:**

Representative Belatti moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that S.B. No. 3041, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1 pass Final Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Ward rose to speak in support of the measure, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I just wanted to footnote, in support, this is the claims against the State, which is the Kalima case, which I earlier alluded."

At 11:12 a.m., Representative Luke requested a recess and the Chair declared a recess subject to the call of the Chair.

The House of Representatives reconvened at 11:16 a.m.

Representative Ward continued, stating:

"Mr. Speaker, my original request was to put my earlier remarks into the Journal. That's all my speech," and the Chair "so ordered." (By reference only.)

Representative Holt rose to speak in support of the measure, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. In strong support. What a great day, colleagues. \$320 million back into the hands of Hawaiians. That's all I got to say. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

Representative McKelvey rose to speak in support of the measure, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. First time again in 16 years I will be standing in strong support of this measure. As you know, I for years have voted against it for the fact that a lot of the claims being made against the State are repeated claims that agencies refuse to address, which keeps just having more and more payouts. But the fact that Kalima is now finally being settled is so monumental and so huge and such a long overdue gesture of justice that that warrants the fact that I stand in strong support of the bill today when previously I have not. Thank you."

Representative Branco rose to speak in support of the measure, stating:

"Mr. Speaker, in support. I'm glad we were able to come to a resolution for this for Native Hawaiians. It's greatly appreciated and it's going to be significant. But I also want to recognize the fact that, why do Hawaiians have to continuously sue to get what is rightfully deserved to us? And we need to understand that, and we need to stop that. And it's just sad that Hawaiians constantly have to sue to get the resources that are mandated to us in the Constitution. And so I just wanted to say that, but I'm very grateful for all the hard work the body has done to find a resolution. *Mahalo*."

Representative Har rose in support of the measure and asked that the remarks of Representatives McKelvey and Holt be entered into the Journal as her own, and the Chair "so ordered." (By reference only.)

Representative Marten rose to speak in support of the measure, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. In support. So, Leona Kalima is my constituent. And I had reached out to her when I heard the news about this bill. And I actually invited her to be with us today, but the doctor would not let her leave Queens, where she is. But she did say, she did text. She said, please give the assembly my *aloha* and support for our 23 years of service to the courts, *mahalo*, God bless you all. So, I just wanted to leave that positive note with you folks from her. Thank you."

Representative Tokioka rose to disclose a potential conflict of interest, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. In strong support. I didn't think I was going to do this, but because this bill is at this stage, Mr. Speaker, can I ask for a ruling on a potential conflict? My mom and now my sister has been on this list for the last 45 years," and the Chair ruled, "no conflict."

Representative Tokioka continued to speak in support of the measure, stating:

"And just to say thank you to many of the people in this building or in this caucus and our colleagues in the Senate. And one of the people that has been fighting for this from the day he got here, and I'm so proud to be associated with him, is the Representative from Kalihi. There was not a day on this floor that he has not been fighting for Hawaiians. And this is a great day for all of us. *Mahalo* Mr. Speaker."

Representative Ward rose to respond, stating:

"One more request for remarks in the Journal from the gentlemen from Kalihi and Kailua. My exact sentiment. Thank you," and the Chair "so ordered." (By reference only.)

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 3041, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR CLAIMS AGAINST THE STATE, ITS OFFICERS, OR ITS EMPLOYEES," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 46-22 and S.B. No. 665, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 665, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO VIOLATIONS OF CAMPAIGN FINANCE LAW," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 51-22 and H.B. No. 2197, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2197, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO GAMBLING," passed Final Reading by a vote of 49 ayes to 2 noes, with Representatives Kapela and Perruso voting no.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 52-22 and H.B. No. 1567, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1:**

Representative Belatti moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 1567, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1 pass Final Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Tam rose to speak in opposition to the measure, stating:

"Mr. Speaker, thank you. Just a no vote with a brief comment and permission to insert written comments into the Journal. I appreciate the work that is being done on this bill. However, I believe that it still needs a lot more work to address some of the concerns raised by my constituents. And I'll summarize many of those concerns in my written comments. Thank you."

Representative Tam's written remarks are as follows:

"While I support the intent of the bill, and after speaking to many of my constituents, I cannot support the bill at this time. The advocates are correct that we must do something to solve overcrowding in our prisons and jails, however, the solution cannot be a Band-Aid solution. The solution must be heavy investments in education, job retraining, and affordable housing, which many of my constituents have advocated for.

"At the same time, I do not believe this bill better or worsens the situation that we have regarding Hawaii's crime rates, especially in Waikiki. Many of my constituents and visitors to the area are oftentimes faced with harassment, which is a non-violent petty misdemeanor, meaning that those committing harassment would be released back on the streets, rather than potentially be jailed at the judge's discretion.

"In my district, 94% of crimes committed in Waikiki are so-called 'non-violent' crimes. They include larceny, burglary, harassment, and auto theft. This measure would require judges to release such offenders. Judges should be able to evaluate all factors on a case-by-case basis to determine whether a person is a danger to the community, will be a risk of appearing in court, or will re-offend once released.

"I appreciate the work from my fellow colleagues in crafting this bill to address the concerns by various stakeholders, but at this time, I cannot support the bill before us today."

Representative Ganaden rose to speak in support of the measure, stating:

"In support, brief comment. This is bail reform. This is advocacy. This is the work of advocates over the last several years to reduce unnecessary incarceration in our state. We will be joining other states like New York, New Jersey, and California that have seen a reduction not only in incarceration, but a reduction in crime across their communities.

"Right now, we still house numerous individuals who are simply too poor to find their way out of incarceration. This bill addresses many of the issues that advocates have brought up. Again, thanks to the Vice Chair of Judiciary for his advocacy in working with numerous stakeholders in talking this out.

"A brief asterisk to this, at the very end in the last committee, the prosecutor for the County of Honolulu requested that another charge be removed from it. Possession of a dangerous drug in the third degree, that's the most common charge for people who are picked up for methamphetamine use. The notion was that people who are picked up for this would be directed to residential treatment centers, things like Hina Mauka, Sand Island Treatment Center, on Maui, MEO B.E.S.T. Despite much of the work to fund nonprofits and homeless treatment centers, we are still underfunding these residential treatment centers. So that's something to work on for next year. Again, thanks to the people who worked on this."

Representative Ward rose to speak in opposition to the measure, stating:

"May I rise and say a few things about this in opposition? Mr. Speaker, this is the get out of jail free bill. I've spoken about it many times. It is a danger given the conditions in this state as well as in the nation where we have an outbreak of crime. We have defund the police as kind of an ethos that's going on in a number of cities. Fortunately, we don't have it here.

"But it's something where people seem to think this is for those who are so poor, they can't get out of jail. Well, I was told by Kat Brady, who you know is a great advocate of the prison system and for the prisoners, she has a real heart for them. She says there's a promissory note that was passed maybe three or four years ago, which says if you don't have the \$100, you sign on, and if you don't show up for trial, you've got to pay the promissory note. It has not been implemented.

"But why we're doing this get out of jail free stuff is, to me, counterproductive and a step backwards. And for those who think, well, this is not going to hurt anybody who's nonviolent. Well, there's a *puka* in this particular bill because, for example, violation of an injunction against harassment and harassment by stalking are examples of charges for which a defendant could be automatically released. So, Mr. Speaker, there's some loopholes in this thing that is very dangerous. Particularly, I would think anybody in the Women's Caucus would not want a stalker to be let out without bail.

"I'm not going to bring up the issue of Kapolei, but they let out that guy with the mental problem and he bludgeoned somebody right in front of the courthouse in Kapolei. Those things should never happen, Mr. Speaker. And this bill kind of lends itself to that sort of, well, we want to give everybody a break. And crime is, you got to be sympathetic with the felons. Well, I think being soft on crime is not the way that you're going to prevent crime. But it's bills like this that really loosen the grip on a society that's getting very, very liberated to break the law with impunity.

"And I'm not going to talk about the red-light bill, but that's one of the things, we run red lights in Hawaii with nobody's going to catch me or see me, except there's a bill that says there's a camera coming. My point is, Mr. Speaker, we've got to draw the line in the sand when we're going to be able to discipline people and when we're not going to. And this is the one that just loosens all of that for corrections in our system of hopefully civilized behavior. Thank you."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1567, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL PRETRIAL REFORM," passed Final Reading by a vote of 45 ayes to 6 noes, with Representatives Eli, Kong, Matsumoto, Okimoto, Tam, and Ward voting no.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 53-22 and H.B. No. 2075, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1:**

Representative Belatti moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 2075, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1 pass Final Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Tokioka rose to speak in opposition to the measure, stating:

"No vote, Mr. Speaker. Every year we go through bills that deal with firearms. And most of us know here that this state has the most strictest gun laws in the United States of America and every year we add on to that. This is another one of those bills. In this particular bill, there was a lawsuit between Mr. Yukutake and Clare Connors. And the judge in that case ruled, Judge Seabright ruled that there was no harm to public safety on this particular issue. And so, I'm not sure why we have to do this again. Most of the concerns for public safety is covered in the current bill, prior to this bill, if it passes. So, for those reasons, I'm a no vote. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2075, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FIREARMS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 43 ayes to 8 noes, with Representatives Eli, Har, Kong, Matsumoto, McDermott, Okimoto, Tokioka, and Ward voting no.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 55-22 and S.B. No. 2065, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1:**

Representative Belatti moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that S.B. No. 2065, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1 pass Final Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Todd rose to speak in support of the measure with reservations, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. With reservations. As someone who was employed within the fishing industry for several years, I just think that this bill is maybe slightly hypocritical in that a majority of the fishing done on Oahu, goes to the auction, are done by enormous multimillion dollar longline vessels that go up for weeks at a time, that have extremely high technology applications. And it just seems like a little overkill to ban the use of a \$300 to \$400 drone by an individual fisherman when you look at it against what they're competing against, especially up on Oahu.

"This isn't the case for the neighbor islands. Neighbor island fishermen, these are typically very small businesspeople who operate as part of their income. Very few are actually professionalized to the point where it's their entire income. So, this just seems like a step a little bit too far, maybe too quickly, and should potentially be reexamined. But I do support the intent in trying to ensure that we're not overfishing. So, with those reasons, I am in reservations."

Representative Quinlan rose to disclose a potential conflict of interest, stating:

"Ruling on a potential conflict. I drone fish at my mom's house," and the Chair ruled, "no conflict."

Representative Quinlan continued to speak in opposition to the measure, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. In opposition. Drone fishing, when done properly, leads to fewer fouled lines, less lost tackle. In short, Mr. Speaker, less junk in the ocean. So, I would argue that if you are a responsible fisherman, drone fishing is better to the environment than traditional methods. Thank you."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2065, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FISHING," passed Final Reading by a vote of 47 ayes to 4 noes, with Representative Todd voting aye with reservations, and with Representatives Gates, LoPresti, McKelvey, and Quinlan voting no.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 57-22 and S.B. No. 2398, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1:**

Representative Belatti moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that S.B. No. 2398, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1 pass Final Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Wildberger rose and asked that the Clerk record an aye vote with reservations for her, and the Chair "so ordered."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2398, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes, with Representative Wildberger voting aye with reservations.

At 11:27 a.m., the Chair noted that the following bills passed Final Reading:

S.B. No. 2752, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2163, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 204, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 137, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 2280, HD 2, SD 1, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 1787, HD 2, SD 2, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 1436, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 1872, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 1413, HD 2, SD 1, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 1414, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 1688, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 2416, HD 2, SD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 152, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2990, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 3140, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 3085, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 3041, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 665, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 2197, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 1567, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 2075, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2065, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2398, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 61-22 and S.B. No. 2986, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2986, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEMP," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 62-22 and S.B. No. 2798, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2798, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO VETERINARY MEDICINE," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 69-22 and H.B. No. 1837, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1837, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HOUSING," passed Final Reading by a vote of 49 ayes to 2 noes, with Representatives Kapela and Perruso voting no.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 72-22 and S.B. No. 2295, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2295, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 73-22 and S.B. No. 879, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and



S.B. No. 879, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COUNTIES," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 76-22 and S.B. No. 2056, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2056, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SOIL CLASSIFICATIONS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 77-22 and S.B. No. 2670, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2670, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII STATE LESBIAN, GAY, BISEXUAL, TRANSGENDER, QUEER, PLUS COMMISSION," passed Final Reading by a vote of 49 ayes to 2 noes, with Representatives McDermott and Ward voting no.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 78-22 and S.B. No. 206, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 206, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO RENTAL DISCRIMINATION," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 79-22 and S.B. No. 2125, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2125, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LIQUOR LICENSES," passed Final Reading by a vote of 47 ayes to 4 noes, with Representatives Ganaden, LoPresti, McKelvey, and Wildberger voting no.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 81-22 and S.B. No. 3179, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1:**

Representative Belatti moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that S.B. No. 3179, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1 pass Final Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative McKelvey rose to speak in support of the measure, stating:

"In strong support and permission to enter comments into the Journal."

Representative McKelvey's written remarks are as follows:

"Mr. Speaker I rise in strong support of this measure which is in dire need for our communities on Maui and Molokai. The population explosion of axis deer has absolutely decimated our agricultural community, destroyed native vegetation, endangered fauna, and has led to the suffering of the animals themselves.

"Mr. Speaker, besides crippling the ability of local farmers to help meet local food production goals, the ravenous appetite of these herds is also taking away grazing opportunities from legitimate agricultural operations, such as our cattle farmers, and threatens our ability to provide local meat for our people. Additionally, the herds of axis deer and their foraging grass and other plants to the bare roots is causing massive erosion problems. The effects of erosion, especially when we have rain storms, further cripples the ability of our farmers to be able to sustain crops. The damaged terrain and lack of topsoil makes it nearly impossible to re-plant native species insofar as not having the proper soil in which to thrive. To add insult to injury, because of the denuding of the vegetation, much of this topsoil is ending up in the ocean where it is covering the reefs and killing our coral population, which in turn endangers our fish stock, which again hurts cultural gathering practices and damages our efforts to create local sustainable food supplies from the nearshore waters.

"Mr. Speaker, this bill will allow us to make a serious inroad into the problem and will also help to serve many masters insofar as staving off the multifaceted damage that is occurring because of the uncontrolled population of this introduced species. My only hope is that our congressional delegation can work to lift the USDA ban on the sale of deer meat so that

we can turn lemons into lemonade. By using the culled animals caught by hunters, we can provide a new protein source for our community; one that will also be attractive to visitors."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 3179, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 82-22 and H.B. No. 1983, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1983, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND TOURISM," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes to 1 no, with Representative Wildberger voting no.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 86-22 and H.B. No. 2329, HD 2, SD 2, CD 1:**

Representative Belatti moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 2329, HD 2, SD 2, CD 1 pass Final Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Okimoto rose and asked that the Clerk record an aye vote with reservations for her, and the Chair "so ordered."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2329, HD 2, SD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HISTORIC PRESERVATION," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes, with Representative Okimoto voting aye with reservations.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 91-22 and H.B. No. 1692, SD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1692, SD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MOBILE ELECTRONIC DEVICES," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 93-22 and S.B. No. 2623, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2623, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAIIAN HOMES COMMISSION ACT," passed Final Reading by a vote of 48 ayes to 3 noes, with Representatives Eli, Kapela, and Perruso voting no.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 100-22 and S.B. No. 2251, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2251, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY," passed Final Reading by a vote of 49 ayes to 2 noes, with Representatives Kapela, and Ward voting no.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 101-22 and S.B. No. 2898, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2898, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 108-22 and S.B. No. 2162, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1:**

Representative Belatti moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that S.B. No. 2162, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1 pass Final Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Ward rose to speak in opposition to the measure, stating:

"Mr. Speaker, I rise in opposition, brief comment. Mr. Speaker, this is ranked choice voting, of which I've spoken probably for four or five years

against it and each time it fails, it looks like it's going to pass this time. But I want you to know it's still confusing. Even the Office of Elections, that my staff inquiry, couldn't explain it. So how we're going to explain it to our constituents? And I know, look, it's only a special election if it's congressional, *et cetera*. It's basically the slippery slope that I'm afraid that, well it's very sexy and it's kind of confusing, but let's give it a run.

"The difficulty is that if the system is not broken, why fix it, Mr. Speaker? Everybody who is in here did the first past the post. It worked. Why we got to do ranked choice voting? I mean, look, you already got a super majority. You want more people? Is that the motivation for it? I mean, look, we got four members here, you got 47. I think ranked choice voting, if it wasn't to your advantage, you wouldn't use it, because we don't see it as to our advantage. And in that sense—"

The Chair addressed Representative Ward, stating:

"Alright, Representative Ward, please stay away from intent and motive."

Representative Ward continued, stating:

"Well, I'm looking at the national polls which say your party is more in favor than mine. Let me leave it at that, but say, every year we've had it and it's failed, this year it's going to go. Let's take a look at it and see what happens. The test of the pudding is in the tasting. So, let's see what happens, Mr. Speaker. Thank you."

Representative Tokioka rose to speak in support of the measure with reservations, stating:

"With reservations, Mr. Speaker, for totally different reasons from my colleague from Hawaii Kai. Because I actually think it's going to help the minority party in this circumstance. He might not agree. But to my friend here, I don't think it's going to get any worse, all due respect."

Representative Okimoto rose and asked that the Clerk record an aye vote with reservations for her, and the Chair "so ordered."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2162, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO RANKED CHOICE VOTING," passed Final Reading by a vote of 48 ayes to 3 noes, with Representatives Okimoto and Tokioka voting aye with reservations, and with Representatives Matsumoto, McDermott, and Ward voting no.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 110-22 and S.B. No. 2298, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1:**

Representative Belatti moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that S.B. No. 2298, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1 pass Final Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Wildberger rose to speak in opposition to the measure, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. In opposition. Not that I actually support wage theft, but in the irony that the State doesn't follow wage law and is imposing penalties on people that might be making errors in wage law, I stand in opposition to this. Thank you."

Representative McKelvey rose in support of the measure with reservations and asked that the remarks of Representative Wildberger be entered into the Journal as his own, and the Chair "so ordered." (By reference only.)

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2298, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO WAGES," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes to 1 no, with Representative McKelvey voting aye with reservations, and with Representative Wildberger voting no.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 114-22 and S.B. No. 3121, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 3121, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FUNDING FOR PARKING FOR DISABLED

PERSONS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes to 1 no, with Representative McDermott voting no.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 115-22 and S.B. No. 3252, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 3252, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC RECORDS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 124-22 and H.B. No. 2171, HD 2, SD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2171, HD 2, SD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC SAFETY," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

At 11:35 a.m., the Chair noted that the following bills passed Final Reading:

S.B. No. 2986, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2798, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 1837, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2295, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 879, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2056, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2670, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 206, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2125, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 3179, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 1983, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 2329, HD 2, SD 2, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 1692, SD 2, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2623, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2251, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2898, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2162, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2298, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 3121, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 3252, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 2171, HD 2, SD 1, CD 1

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 127-22 and H.B. No. 1432, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1432, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CONCESSIONS ON PUBLIC PROPERTY," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes to 1 no, with Representative McKelvey voting no.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 128-22 and S.B. No. 2819, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1:**

Representative Belatti moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that S.B. No. 2819, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1 pass Final Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Kapela rose to speak in support of the measure, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. In strong support. I just want to take a moment to thank every single one of you who has supported the efforts that we made as a body this year to finally raise teacher pay. Our state's teacher shortage has hit my community the hardest. The schools in my district are extremely remote and highly impoverished, and the teacher turnover rate is exorbitant.

"We know that the root cause of Hawaii's chronic teacher shortage is low pay. This bill, coupled with the funding to alleviate salary compression and to extend the teacher shortage differentials that is contained in the state budget, will go a long way towards addressing that problem. So, teachers have been fighting, and we know this, for professional pay for years. Today we are finally showing them the support that they have earned for being the people upon whom our children's dreams are built and our society's future depends. So, Thank you very much, Mr. Speaker."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2819, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TEACHER COMPENSATION," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 129-22 and S.B. No. 2821, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2821, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MENSTRUAL EQUALITY," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 138-22 and S.B. No. 2510, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1:**

Representative Belatti moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that S.B. No. 2510, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1 pass Final Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Wildberger rose to speak in opposition to the measure, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. In opposition, brief comment please. This bill seems to be in direct conflict with HB 1800 that we're intending to pass. And we've just really got to stop burning stuff if we want to reduce our greenhouse gases. Thank you."

Representative Marten rose and asked that the Clerk record an aye vote with reservations for her, and the Chair "so ordered."

Representative Morikawa rose and asked that the Clerk record an aye vote with reservations for her, and the Chair "so ordered."

Representative Tokioka rose and asked that the Clerk record an aye vote with reservations for him, and the Chair "so ordered."

Representative McKelvey rose to speak in opposition to the measure, stating:

"Thanks so much, Mr. Speaker. Unfortunately, I stand in opposition to the measure, just a few words as to why. I appreciate the efforts in trying to be made insofar as renewable energy and diversifying our portfolio. But for my area in particular of Leeward Maui, intermittent renewable energy such as photovoltaic is an important part of the component for meeting our renewable energy needs. And I think it will have a unintended consequence by creating a disincentive for the power companies to continue to offer rebates for additional PV coming online. The PV industry in my area is also become an economic engine as well. And I think also, with other technologies on the horizon, with wave and other types of renewable energies, may be precluded by this measure. So, for that, I unfortunately can't support it."

Representative LoPresti rose and asked that the Clerk record a no vote for him, and the Chair "so ordered."

Representative Nakamura rose and asked that the Clerk record an aye vote with reservations for her, and the Chair "so ordered."

Representative Lowen rose in support of the measure and asked that her written remarks be inserted in the Journal, and the Chair "so ordered."

Representative Lowen's written remarks are as follows:

"While possibly well-intended, the policies prescribed in this bill could unintentionally lock Hawaii into a future of higher rates, higher reliance on imports, and higher greenhouse gas emissions compared to other possible pathways that might be precluded if the policy outlined in this bill is enforced.

"Among other things, this bill establishes minimum percentages to be applied uniformly to each island's grid irrespective of differing aspects of each islands' energy resources, of 'firm' renewable generation, as well as a threshold of 45% for any single type of resource, so that no grid can rely on more than 45% of any type of resource.

"It is unclear where these arbitrary percentages are derived from, nor why it should be up to either the Legislature or the Office of Planning to determine any such percentages. The Hawaii State Energy Office, the Public

Utilities Commission, and our electric utilities all have far more expertise in energy policy and Hawaii's energy systems, and yet none of these entities were consulted in establishing these percentages. Furthermore, it is not evident that establishing any percentages for 'firm' power or to limit certain resources is something that should be prematurely determined in state policy rather than left to the market and to the grid planning and project approval processes already in place.

"This bill is based in part on an assumption that 'firm' renewables are reliable and that variable resources are unreliable, which is an extremely outdated, over-simplified and ill-informed way to categorize the universe of energy resources. This perspective fails to recognize the many types of supply and demand-side resources are part of Hawaii's energy systems including things energy storage demand-response programs, energy efficiency programs, and the integration of customer-sited resources. The grid of the future will be more flexible than the grid of the past and more focused on balancing resources to meet demand in the moment. It is a paradigm shift from how grids have historically been operated, and there will certainly be many challenges to overcome. The policies in this bill will only add to those challenges, discourage innovation, and delay inevitable change at the expense of ratepayers, taxpayers, Hawaii's self-sufficiency, and the planet's environmental health."

Representative B. Kobayashi rose to speak in support of the measure with reservations, stating:

"Mr. Speaker, with reservations. This is a well-intended bill. It does have appropriations which are worth passing. The bill does not have teeth. It is not regulatory. It does not stop anyone from going to more renewables, if only because it amends the state plan. The problem, of course, is that Kauai has already exceeded the 45% cap, which is in this bill. And it is likely to remain above the 45% cap as years go on. So, unfortunately, well-intended, but with defects. Thank you."

Representative Costales rose and asked that the Clerk record a no vote for her, and the Chair "so ordered."

Representative Tokioka rose, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Can I remove my reservations vote on CCR 138."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2510, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO RENEWABLE ENERGY," passed Final Reading by a vote of 39 ayes to 12 noes, with Representatives B. Kobayashi, Marten, Morikawa and Nakamura voting aye with reservations, and with Representatives Costales, Ganaden, Kapela, D. Kobayashi, LoPresti, McDermott, McKelvey, Perruso, Takayama, Takumi, Tam, and Wildberger voting no.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 141-22 and S.B. No. 2862, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1:**

Representative Belatti moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that S.B. No. 2862, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1 pass Final Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Kapela rose to speak in support of the measure, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. In support again and very excited. In 2016, the State Legislature appropriated \$100 million to install air conditioning in 1,000 classrooms, which were completed at the cost of tens of thousands of dollars each. Today, approximately 4,000 classrooms still need to be cooled. And in passing this bill, we are beginning to finish the job that we started six years ago.

"This measure allocates \$10 million for classroom cooling, which should provide AC to between 1,500 and 2,000 classrooms using brand new AC technology. Those AC units will not only be more energy efficient, according to the DOE, they will also come with filtration systems that will help to alleviate the health impacts of COVID-19, as well as the vog that jeopardizes the health of Hawaii Island *keiki*.

"So, if school is cool, then our classrooms must be too. So, *mahalo* to the Chair of Education and *mahalo* to the Chair of Finance and to everyone who

has worked on this for years to ensure that our children have the safe and healthy learning environments in which they need to reach for the stars."

Representative Ward rose to speak in support of the measure, stating:

"Mr. Speaker, I rise in support. And my district in East Honolulu has the exact sentiment from the good Representative from the Big Island, may I use her words in the Journal as if they were my own. Thank you," and the Chair "so ordered." (By reference only.)

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2862, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 142-22 and S.B. No. 2824, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1:**

Representative Belatti moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that S.B. No. 2824, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1 pass Final Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative LoPresti rose to speak in opposition to the measure, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. In opposition. I'll be brief, but I'd like my comments on third reading on this bill entered into the Journal. I just want to point out, this is the BOE member qualification bill. And this is a good example of why people in the public think legislators can't count. There are 11 members of the BOE and we have 13 requirements for expertise in this bill, only one of which is education. Thank you," and the Chair "so ordered." (By reference only.)

Representative Woodson rose to speak in support of the measure, stating:

"In support, Mr. Speaker. Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I just want to point the previous speaker to the text of the bill. It's all of about four pages and it offers a rebuttal to his argument. The National Association of State Boards of Education, which really is the premier entity that looks at board of education policy, they are impartial, and they provide guidance and recommendations to state boards of education across the country. The National Association of State Boards of Education, they state that boards of education should look at policy prescriptions that enhance equity, that improve student achievement, and that remain forward thinking. And specifically, they look at things that will emerge in the future. Future oriented is the term that they use, Mr. Speaker.

"And so, again, the idea is that we want to make sure that our kids in the State of Hawaii are internationally competitive. And so, the department and the board like to use the term, college and career ready. But really, we need to make sure that our kids are globally competitive because that is, in essence, the rub. And one of the things that you see, again, in high performing public school systems across the world, is they actually align marketplace need, both current and emerging, with formalized curriculum as one of the components that you see in high performing school systems.

"And so, Mr. Speaker, that is a best practice. That is a best practice. And the text of the bill also specifically references, per the previous speaker's grievance, that the board members shall obtain as many of these characteristics as possible. That's found on page four, Section 2, lines 11 and 12, under paragraph five. And so, for these reasons, Mr. Speaker, we want to make sure that we are moving in the right direction with regards to our Department of Education. And I urge my colleagues to support this proposal. Thank you."

Representative LoPresti rose to respond, stating:

"In opposition still. I was happy to keep my remarks short, but I'm happy to debate this. There's been a move, Mr. Speaker, to corporatize education in this country, and institutions like the one cited in this bill have been criticized as one of those things that are helping to corporatize education.

"The language that's in this is precisely right, that the board shall collectively have the knowledge, experience, and proven expertise in as many of the following fields as possible, Mr. Speaker. Again, only one of which is education. That language specifically can and, I guarantee, will be used to exclude BOE nominees in the Senate for approval, because we already have somebody in education. We don't have somebody who's an

expert in energy, because we need somebody who's an expert in energy to figure out what the ELA standards should be. That we don't have somebody who's an expert in real estate, because somehow we need somebody who's an expert in real estate to help set education policy. And energy, advanced manufacturing, and finance, things like that.

"Nobody is opposed to having people who are experts in fields that are going to help people get an education for workforce development. But requiring it in statute is a bridge too far."

Representative Perruso rose in opposition to the measure and asked that the remarks of Representative LoPresti be entered into the Journal as her own, and the Chair "so ordered." (By reference only.)

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2824, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION," passed Final Reading by a vote of 48 ayes to 3 noes, with Representatives D. Kobayashi, LoPresti, and Perruso voting no.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 143-22 and S.B. No. 3280, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 3280, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS TO ASSIST SAINT JOSEPH SCHOOL," passed Final Reading by a vote of 48 ayes to 3 noes, with Representatives Kapela, Perruso, and Tam voting no.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 148-22 and S.B. No. 2482, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2482, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO WELLNESS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 152-22 and S.B. No. 2857, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2857, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CHILD WELLNESS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 156-22 and S.B. No. 2570, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2570, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ZERO EMISSION VEHICLE FUELING REBATES," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes to 1 no, with Representative Kapela voting no.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 157-22 and S.B. No. 2865, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2865, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS TO ASSIST DIBSHAWAII LLC," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes to 1 no, with Representative Kapela voting no.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 158-22 and S.B. No. 3235, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 3235, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SAFE SPACES FOR YOUTH PILOT PROGRAM," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes to 1 no, with Representative McDermott voting no.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 164-22 and H.B. No. 2195, HD 2, SD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and

H.B. No. 2195, HD 2, SD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CESSPOOLS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 165-22 and H.B. No. 1644, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1644, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION," passed Final Reading by a vote of 47 ayes to 4 noes, with Representatives Har, Kong, McDermott, and Okimoto voting no.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 166-22 and H.B. No. 1640, HD 2, SD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1640, HD 2, SD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO RECYCLING," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes to 1 no, with Representative McDermott voting no.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 171-22 and H.B. No. 1801, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1801, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ENERGY EFFICIENCY," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 172-22 and H.B. No. 1761, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1761, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO IDENTIFICATION CARDS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes to 1 no, with Representative McDermott voting no.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 176-22 and S.B. No. 2923, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2923, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FIREWORKS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 49 ayes to 2 noes, with Representatives D. Kobayashi and McDermott voting no.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 178-22 and S.B. No. 2185, SD 3, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2185, SD 3, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FIREWORKS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes to 1 no, with Representative McDermott voting no.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 179-22 and S.B. No. 2644, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2644, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTRICAL CONTRACTORS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 49 ayes to 2 noes, with Representatives Kapela and Tam voting no.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 183-22 and H.B. No. 1517, HD 2, SD 2, CD 1:**

Representative Belatti moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 1517, HD 2, SD 2, CD 1 pass Final Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Kapela rose to speak in support of the measure, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. In support. While I support this proposal, I have to note that a study was already performed a few years ago that clearly shows that coffee blenders are taking advantage of Kona and Kau coffee farmers, the vast majority of whom live and work and farm in my district. They are undermining these farmers' economic well-being and financial security by continuing to steal our iconic Kona name while using very little Kona coffee in their actual product. This is commercial exploitation, this is economic abuse, and it must stop.

"I am confident that the study envisioned by this bill will once again demonstrate the need to better protect our coffee farmers who have been waiting decades, not just one, not just two years, decades for action. So, let's please make sure that in the future we don't make them wait much longer for the legal protections that they need in order to uplift their profits and safeguard their livelihood."

Representative Lowen rose to speak in support of the measure, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. In support. And I agree with everything said by the previous speaker. I'm confident the study will come out in favor of changing the labeling laws. It's the right thing to do, and at the least it will remove an additional obstacle that has stood in the way for a while. I'd also like to request, I wrote an essay that was published in Civil Beat on March 13th, I'd like that inserted into the Journal," and the Chair "so ordered." (By reference only.) [See: Lowen, N. (2022, March 13). Rep. Nicole Lowen: Support Local Farmers By Fixing Hawaii's Coffee Labeling Law. *Civil Beat, IDEAS: Essays.*]

Representative Lowen continued, stating:

"And in addition to all the reasons why this is the right thing to do that are laid out in that essay, I'd like to add one more, which includes that continuing to encourage importation of large amounts of green coffee from other locations is what has brought pests like coffee berry borer and coffee leaf rust, and other pests that also threaten our coffee industry and potentially other industries as it helps bring additional invasive species into the state."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1517, HD 2, SD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COFFEE," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes to 1 no, with Representative McDermott voting no.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 184-22 and H.B. No. 1775, HD 2, SD 3, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1775, HD 2, SD 3, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CIVIL RIGHTS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes to 1 no, with Representative McDermott voting no.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 186-22 and H.B. No. 2000, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1:**

Representative Belatti moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 2000, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1 pass Final Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Perruso rose to speak in opposition to the measure, stating:

"I am in opposition. So, I am standing in opposition not because I don't support preschool and funding additional classrooms for preschools, but I think that if we dig deeper and we look at, for example, elementary schools in all of the complexes around our state, we will find schools that are threatened with closure because their enrollment has dropped where we have classrooms that are available for these precise kinds of preschools. And, so, I think that we should be working with the Department of Education. This is going to be difficult, however, because we are moving the School Facilities Authority, according to my understanding, away from the department to DBEDT. So, I think that my concern with the School Facilities Authority is not only that they're not completely set up, of course, but that I continue to oppose the privatization of this public function. So, for those reasons, I oppose this bill."

Representative Woodson rose to speak in support of the measure, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. In support. This bill is important. The previous speaker is correct in that in statute it does say that EOEL should work with the Department of Education to establish more pre-K classrooms. That is, in fact, the case, that's happening right now. But we also know that that is not sufficient to get us to the number that we need, which is 100% access by 2032. And so, this bill will afford us more flexibility to actually meet that goal by providing additional classroom space to afford more of our three- and four-year-olds opportunities to have a great head start. Thank you."

Representative Luke rose to speak in support of the measure, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. In support. The School Facilities Authority is not moving to DBEDT, it will be retained in Department of Education. That was one of the last, some of the draft that was being discussed in conference. School Facilities Authority will remain with the Department of Education. And the intent of this bill, because it's public monies, the whole intent is to refurbish some of these classrooms for preschool classrooms. As some of you may or may not know, in the Waianae complex, there were unused classrooms that can be refurbished, right away actually, to accommodate preschool kids, because, as you know, preschool kids, you can't use even the elementary school facilities because of the height of the restrooms and some of the tables. So, the intent is for us to work with not just EOEL, but DOE and SFA to refurbish and remodel some of our current unused DOE facilities to accommodate the around 20,000 kids who don't have access to preschool right now. Thank you."

Representative Perruso rose to respond, stating:

"Still in opposition. While I am grateful for that amendment to the bill that would have transferred School Facilities Authority to DBEDT, I think that, in hearings over the course of session, I have had multiple opportunities to interact with the leadership of SFA and AS Tanaka in the DOE. And at every single point on the leadership of SFA, Alan Oshima, Ed Sniffen, and then also AS Tanaka, have reiterated that SFA will not be engaged in refurbishment, repair, and maintenance, but they will be only dedicating their efforts to new buildings. And so, that's really the source of my consternation. So, if we can address that, I would love to see those monies being spent in precisely the way the Chair of Finance has outlined. *Mahalo*."

Representative Todd rose to speak in support of the measure, stating:

"Thank you, in support. I just wanted to thank the Finance Chair, the CIP Chair, and the Education Chair for their work. But also, the foresight going back several years to really lead this effort towards universal pre-K. As someone who has a daughter who is currently in preschool, I recognize that that is not achievable for every family. It's much less expensive in Hilo than it is in most parts of the state. And even then, it's about \$10,000 a year, give or take. And that's purely post taxation unless you've set yourself up accordingly."

"So, I'm just thankful that this money is headed toward something we can all really believe in. And there is specific language enabling the SFA to appropriate these funds towards any other costs that they deem appropriate to increase student capacity. So, there is a little bit of flexibility in that way. And I really think this is probably something we can all really feel comfortable with, or most of us at least, and really trending us in the right direction."

"And I also wanted to point out now, and the reason that I'm standing up, is that there also is \$2.9 million in the budget bill going to 'Imiloa specifically for pre-K immersion schoolteacher education. And while that's not directly tied to this bill, it is kind of working in conjunction. So, I just wanted to express my appreciation. Thank you."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2000, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes to 1 no, with Representative Perruso voting no.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 193-22 and S.B. No. 3040, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 3040, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PROCUREMENT," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes to 1 no, with Representative McDermott voting no.

At 12:00 p.m., the Chair noted that the following bills passed Final Reading:

H.B. No. 1432, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1  
S.B. No. 2819, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1  
S.B. No. 2821, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1  
S.B. No. 2510, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1

S.B. No. 2862, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1  
S.B. No. 2824, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1  
S.B. No. 3280, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1  
S.B. No. 2482, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1  
S.B. No. 2857, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1  
S.B. No. 2570, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1  
S.B. No. 2865, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1  
S.B. No. 3235, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1  
H.B. No. 2195, HD 2, SD 1, CD 1  
H.B. No. 1644, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1  
H.B. No. 1640, HD 2, SD 1, CD 1  
H.B. No. 1801, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1  
H.B. No. 1761, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1  
S.B. No. 2923, HD 1, CD 1  
S.B. No. 2185, SD 3, HD 1, CD 1  
S.B. No. 2644, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1  
H.B. No. 1517, HD 2, SD 2, CD 1  
H.B. No. 1775, HD 2, SD 3, CD 1  
H.B. No. 2000, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1  
S.B. No. 3040, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 195-22 and S.B. No. 3284, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 3284, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICES," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes to 1 no, with Representative McDermott voting no.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 198-22 and S.B. No. 2511, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2511, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION," passed Final Reading by a vote of 47 ayes to 4 noes, with Representatives Kapela, LoPresti, Perruso, and Wildberger voting no.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 199-22 and S.B. No. 3195, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 3195, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HAWAIIAN HOME LANDS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 200-22 and S.B. No. 3357, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 3357, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO NATIVE HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 203-22 and H.B. No. 2405, HD 2, SD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2405, HD 2, SD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO INSURANCE," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes to 1 no, with Representative McDermott voting no.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 208-22 and S.B. No. 3272, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 3272, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 212-22 and S.B. No. 2700, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2700, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE EARLY CHILDHOOD REGISTRY," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 213-22 and S.B. No. 3110, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1:**

Representative Belatti moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that S.B. No. 3110, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1 pass Final Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Kapela rose to speak in support of the measure, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. In strong support. Early learning advocates make a very clear distinction between preschool and child care. While both services provide important opportunities for children, they are not the same. Child care advances the socialization of children who are too young to enter our learning system. It is also important for developmental resources for parents who are working full time. Preschool, on the other hand, is foundational in preparing our *keiki* to become active and engaged learners as they enter the education setting.

"We should not conflate child care and preschool as a matter of public policy. So, I'm very glad that we are passing this measure to correct the oversight in Act 46, which sought to expand access to child care statewide. We must build a quality preschool system that is led by excellent educators.

"Over the last few weeks, my office has been conducting a study of preschool policies that our state has adopted. After analyzing data from the Accountability Resource Center of Hawaii, we found that over 600 classrooms may be available for preschool programming in our public school system. We would need about half of that space to expand preschool programming to the same number of children who were once served by junior kindergarten, which served 10 times as many students as are currently enrolled in programs managed by the Executive Office on Early Learning.

"We should never allow public funds to be spent on private educational programs at any level, which is a philosophy that is enshrined in Article X, Section 1 of the Hawaii State Constitution. According to the attorney general, the Preschool Grant Program created by Act 46 was only constitutional if the programs that received grants did not prioritize learning. That's not preschool, that's child care, as this bill appropriately recognized.

"So to that end, this bill will facilitate millions of dollars in funding to improve child care delivery while preserving the constitutional integrity of our pre-kindergarten system, a system that we can strengthen by investing in our public preschool programs that use public school facilities."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 3110, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CHILD CARE GRANT PROGRAMS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 215-22 and S.B. No. 1297, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 1297, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS TO ASSIST MAUIGROWN COFFEE, INC.," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes to 1 no, with Representative Kapela voting no.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 216-22 and S.B. No. 2070, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2070, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS TO ASSIST THE HAWAIIAN LEGACY REFORESTATION INITIATIVE TO RESTORE HAWAII'S FORESTS AND NATURAL RESOURCES," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes to 1 no, with Representative McDermott voting no.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 229-22 and S.B. No. 2473, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1:**

Representative Belatti moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that S.B. No. 2473, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1 pass Final Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Wildberger rose and asked that the Clerk record an aye vote with reservations for her, and the Chair "so ordered."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2473, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT," passed Final Reading by a vote of 46 ayes to 5 noes, with Representative Wildberger voting aye with reservations, and with Representatives Kapela, D. Kobayashi, McDermott, Perruso, and Tam voting no.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 230-22 and S.B. No. 3334, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 3334, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 232-22 and H.B. No. 2510, HD 2, SD 1, CD 1:**

Representative Belatti moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 2510, HD 2, SD 1, CD 1 pass Final Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Quinlan rose to speak in opposition to the measure, stating:

"In opposition, Mr. Speaker. So, over the past few months, it has become increasingly difficult for me to continue voting no on this measure. When you look at what's been happening in terms of the rising cost of living, rising costs of energy worldwide, I am starting to think that maybe \$18 an hour really is the appropriate figure for us to move to.

"However, I'm still in opposition, Mr. Speaker, and I'll tell you why. It's for my small business owners. It's for the many, many small businesses that contribute so much to the fabric of my community and my district who have been absolutely battered by the events of the previous few years, and many of whom will not survive another year or two of down sales and higher labor costs and higher supply costs.

"Mr. Speaker, over 50% of our total employment in the state is provided by small businesses. That's over 200,000 people that are depending on mom and pop operations so they can feed their families and pay their rent. Mr. Speaker, I'm not an economist. In fact, I'm pretty sure nobody in this room is an economist. I don't know what the consequences or the unintended consequences of passing this measure will be. I really pray and I hope that 10 years from now we can look back at this measure and say it was absolutely successful and Representative Quinlan, you were a fool for voting against it. But as of this time, I still have serious concerns, and that's why I am a no. Thank you."

Representative Wildberger rose to speak in support of the measure, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. In strong support. I'm thrilled to be able to see this measure make it all the way through the process. And we're going to be able to give our low wage workers a 19% raise as of October. And that's a great bump, a great start to increasing our wage. As I've shared many times, I walk the small business talk. And my small business is currently paying \$20 an hour to entry level workers. So, I'm glad to see this measure go forward. And I wanted to express my appreciation for the excellent compromise that was reached between the Senate and the House in offering an important tip credit for the struggling restaurateurs who have endured both the pandemic, staffing shortages due to the housing crisis, and supply chain issues. Thank you."

Representative Kapela rose to speak in support of the measure, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. In strong support. As I have said on this floor before, a living wage is a human right. All session long, advocates for working families have called on us to raise the minimum wage to a level that will allow workers to meet their most basic needs. They have also asked us to strengthen the Earned Income Tax Credit, which is our state's primary form of tax relief for working class families.

"By passing an \$18 an hour minimum wage, we are resetting the conversation about what is possible in terms of delivering economic justice

to working families, not just for our state, but for the entire nation. When this bill's final raises take effect in 2028, minimum wage workers will earn over \$16,000 more than they do today. And the EITC will only further uplift their financial outlook.

"I believe that we can do even more, though, to support the working class. When we reconvene next year, we should consider eliminating the tip penalty that undermines the prosperity of tipped workers and subjects them to sexual harassment. We should also further link minimum wage increases to the cost of living index so that worker's wages are not determined by politics. And we should consider raising the wage beyond \$18 per hour sooner rather than later, since that is what workers needed to earn in order to survive last year.

"Nonetheless, this bill is a huge win for working families and a historic victory for our state. This is truly the work of Hawaii's people and a measure that will uplift everyone's fortunes, from restaurant servers to small business owners, and will enhance the bottom line of our entire economy. So, thank you to every single member who made this possible and thank you to the advocates who advocated tirelessly."

Representative Johanson rose to speak in support of the measure, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise in support. I just wanted to say, there are multiple parts to this bill, and I think credit goes to the many people who worked on it. I appreciate very much the work of the Labor Chair for getting done what eluded me for my four years as Labor Chair. I appreciate the progress that we have made on minimum wage, and undoubtedly that's received the bulk of the attention in the dialog, which is why I wanted to focus the bulk of my remarks on the Earned Income Tax Credit.

"We throw around EITC as an acronym, and we expect that everybody universally understands it. But the truth is, most people do not. It took me a long time to learn and many years of participating in the dialog, and I don't know that I'm an expert in it at all. But certainly, it's not commonly something that the public is clamoring for. Even though, Mr. Speaker, the Earned Income Tax Credit affects 103,000 Hawaii low-income and moderate-income families.

"This is a pervasive benefit, but one, again, that goes often unsung because tax policy is not always the juiciest cause *du jour* to talk about. It's often esoteric and it's dependent on money. And for years, decades, really, both the House and the Senate even debated its creation. We are certainly not the first state in the union to enact it. In fact, we were number 20-something, long after the federal government enacted it. But progress arrived in 2017 when we first enacted this bill.

"When first enacted, it was nonrefundable, and it existed for five years. As we approach that five-year expiration, there was a lot of work that went into it. And even though it was a good basis, Mr. Speaker, if your tax liability exceeded what the credit was, there wasn't incentive for you, as a low- or moderate-income family, to even file for the credit because you just didn't qualify.

"Some of the changes, colleagues, that are revolutionary in this bill, not only is making it permanent keeping that prospect out there for all of our working families in perpetuity, but the making it refundable is so critical because if your liability exceeds that credit at that floor, you are now able to get money back. And that's huge for people in ways that we don't know.

"But one of the reasons that this doesn't always make it to the forefront of public attention and public consciousness is because these 103,000 families, these many constituents that are affected, are so busy working and so busy struggling to make a living that they don't have time to come down to the Capitol to protest, they don't have time or the inclination to hire lobbyists. So, except for a few plucky advocates and legislators armed with the righteousness of the cause, it's not one of the things that often draws the masses to the Capitol.

"But that's why what we're doing, colleagues, today is so special, because in spite of the fact that there aren't always paid lobbyists or industries behind this bill, there are plucky and dedicated advocates, but also having to advocate for many other circumstances. It makes our passage of this bill today so special. And there is a single driving force behind both the original enactment of this bill, as well as this bill today. And I would like to thank the Finance Chair for being that force. And I'd like to say, for all the working

families who benefit from this credit, that there are people who are at the Legislature, both in the House and the Senate, who I think are really trying to do the right thing and work for the public interest. Thank you."

Representative LoPresti rose to speak in support of the measure, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. In support. Rather than give my own speech, I would just like the words of the previous two speakers entered into the Journal as if they were my own. Thank you," and the Chair "so ordered." (By reference only.)

Representative D. Kobayashi rose to speak in support of the measure, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Speaking in support. My support is based more on the principle of you can't always get what you want, but if you try sometimes, you get what you need. I would prefer to have seen no tip penalty in here. I'd prefer to see a true living wage, which I think \$18 still falls short of. But given the conditions that we work under here, and both politically and economically, I'll take the \$18 and terms we have now. So, I'm speaking in support. Thank you."

Representative Ganaden rose in support of the measure and asked that the remarks of Representatives Kapela and Johanson be entered into the Journal as his own, and the Chair "so ordered." (By reference only.)

Representative Tam rose to speak in support of the measure, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. In support. I would like to have the words of the Representative from Aiea inserted into the Journal as if there on my own, and a brief comment. The bill before us today will provide some much needed relief to working families that are currently struggling. Many of us on our paychecks, just like the working families, it requires to take home pay, spend it mostly on rent, medical bills, and car payments. With this bill, we raise the disposable income, thus putting more money into the pockets of working families. Studies show that people stimulate the economy when they have more money to spend in their pockets. And therefore, that helps our small businesses. And therefore, I believe everyone benefits from this bill. And for those reasons, I am in strong support," and the Chair "so ordered." (By reference only.)

Representative Tokioka rose to speak in support of the measure with reservations, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. In support. I do have reservations on some of the things that I talked about on the first cross, so can I ask that my floor speech from the first crossover be entered into the Journal for this speech," and the Chair "so ordered." (By reference only.)

Representative Tokioka continued, stating:

"And just to say that, I understand what people talk about with the tip penalty. But I started in the restaurant business when I was 15 till just before I got here, in the State Legislature. And I know what it's going to take for a restaurant to make it. They're struggling and we just came out of a pandemic.

"And I don't think it's going to impact the big restaurants, but it's certainly going to impact the small mom and pop places, which many of us have them in our neighborhoods. And I talked to many of them when I'm back on Kauai, and they're going to suffer. So, I think a couple of things may happen with them. They're either going to close or they're going to go under the table and pay their employees cash. And neither option is good, Mr. Speaker. But as far as the minimum wage, most businesses, big businesses are paying that amount. I just feel the smaller businesses are going to get hurt.

"So, with that, I'm happy that we are passing this bill, but it's not bringing me joy for some of the people that are going to get hurt with the tip credit not moving up to the minimum wage standard. And I know the Finance Chair and this body fought hard for the tip credit, but it's certainly going to show up later on down the road. Thank you for this opportunity to talk on this bill."

Representative McKelvey rose to speak in support of the measure, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I stand in support as well on the measure. As my good friend to the right here said, it's a compromise bill, but a bill that tries to take into account the testimony that was received by many small



businesses. Mr. Speaker, nothing happens in a vacuum, and there have been a lot of other measures and things that this body has done to assist small businesses that may not be covered under this bill insofar as small businesses that aren't restaurant businesses.

"Let's look at the unemployment insurance, Mr. Speaker. Let's look at the fact that we helped to stave off a huge increase in our unemployment insurance schedule. Let's look at the facts, speaking of restaurants, that we gave \$50 million for the restaurant card. Let's look at the fact that the Earned Income Tax Credit, as was spoken by my good friend, the Chair of CPC, and may I have his words entered in the Journal is if they were my own. The EITC being refundable and permanent means that families will now go out and spend money, spend money at many of our small businesses," and the Chair "so ordered." (By reference only.)

Representative McKelvey continued, stating:

"But, Mr. Speaker, more can be done for our small businesses. I'm so happy that the Chair of Finance, along with the Chair of WAM, has left next year's legislature with a \$500 million surplus potentially, and that I'm hoping that this body can continue to do things like we've done in the unemployment insurance arena to assist small businesses with further tax rebates and benefits so that they can continue to recover from the pandemic.

"And I like to joke, while this does make a meaningful increase in the minimum wage, many businesses, as the good Representative from Kihei pointed out, are already paying more than that. The most popular signs and banners this election year are 'now hiring.' And, Mr. Speaker, that goes to the fact that many businesses are already, in today's tight labor market, having to pay more than this. But to have a baseline where workers know that they will be paid something that will allow them to live in Hawaii, to be able to survive here eventually, is a good thing. For all those reasons, Mr. Speaker, I stand in support. Thank you."

Representative Perruso rose in support of the measure and asked that the remarks of Representatives Kapela and Johanson be entered into the Journal as her own, and the Chair "so ordered." (By reference only.)

Representative Okimoto rose to speak in support of the measure with reservations, stating:

"Mr. Speaker, with reservations, please. May also request to have the comments inserted to the Journal as if they were my own from the Chair of CPC as well as the Representative from the Lihue, Kauai," and the Chair "so ordered." (By reference only.)

Representative Okimoto continued, stating:

"Brief comments as well. Mr. Speaker, I rise with earnest reservations today. As someone who grew up hearing the stories of our relatives working in the pineapple or sugarcane fields for less than a dollar a day, I know the importance of having an excellent job with a good income. It's a way out of poverty for many. It allows people to provide for their families. And we all know the immense sense of dignity that comes from being able to support oneself.

"While some employees would undoubtedly make more money with an increase in wages, many of their colleagues would pay for it with cuts to their work hours and even the loss of their jobs. That's because good businesses are experts in adaptation. When they are forced to pay employees more with no corresponding increase in revenues to help pay for it, they have to resort to some combination of cutting employees hours, laying off employees, replacing employees with automation, shipping jobs overseas, passing the costs on to customers, or permanently closing their doors. Most of the time, the cost of a higher minimum wage can be entirely passed on to customers. As many customers refuse to pay or are unable to afford higher prices and end up buying less of what the business is selling, that leads to more hours cut, more layoffs, and more employers, especially our small businesses, shutting their doors for good.

"Mr. Speaker, in a study by Georgia Tech professor Qiuping Yu and her colleagues, research was conducted using a dataset from a national fashion retailer. Their research shows that an increase in the minimum wage, while having a negligible impact on total labor hours used by the retailer, leads to a 27.7% increase in the number of workers scheduled per week, but a 21% reduction in weekly hours per worker. These changes translate into extra

workers and less hours per worker per week. Such scheduling adjustments reduce the total wage compensation per worker and may also reduce eligibility for benefits. They also show that the minimum wage increase reduces the consistency of weekly and daily schedules for workers, making it challenging to secure financial stability and coordinate with a second job, child care, or other personal demands.

"The Harvard Business Review stated just last year that a mere increase of \$1 in minimum wage led to an average net loss of nearly \$1,600 per year in reduced hours, eligibility for benefits, and schedule consistency per employee.

"Mr. Speaker, the primary role of minimum wage is training, because any job is the best kind of training for future more specialized jobs. The overwhelming majority of economists agree that raising the minimum wage will mean fewer job opportunities for lower skilled workers. Jobs that were previously available to them as training jobs or entry level positions will now be replaced with more qualified and trained individuals, or simply move to autonomous services if they can afford to do so.

"Mr. Speaker, it is not just the private sector that will take a hit. When the government mandates a hike in the minimum wage, there will be some winners, but there will also be a significant number of losers. Someone must pay for the cost of the increase. Taxpayers will carry this burden as the higher costs of the unfunded mandate is handed down to our state and county governments. Unskilled young Native Hawaiians pay in the form of fewer job opportunities, and consumers pay as businesses pass on the cost of the mandate through higher prices. Mr. Speaker, it is likely that this measure would directly hurt the very people it is intended to help.

"There are better ways to increase people's wages that don't create destruction in the process. We have heard all session about how industries such as our restaurants and retail services will negatively be impacted by this. Many will have to shutter their doors indefinitely. There is, however, one industry that I see that has only been touched on briefly, the childcare sector. Mr. Speaker, the average childcare worker makes about \$12 an hour. Whereas some industries such as restaurants and retailers can respond to minimum wage hikes by reducing their workforce, eliminating certain employee benefits, cutting back on facilities and equipment, or automating jobs, strict childcare regulations leave little room for childcare centers to adjust to cost increases. A childcare provider's only viable option is to pass the wage increases on to families in the form of higher pricing."

Representative McDermott rose to yield his time, and the Chair "so ordered."

Representative Okimoto continued, stating:

"For providers in high cost areas that are already paying near or above \$18 an hour, the impact would be small, but costs could increase tremendously for providers in low cost regions. While we know how beneficial it is for children to have one parent at home until they are school aged, the reality is here in Hawaii that staying home is not an option for many lower-income and working class folks and single parents. And raising the cost of child care only makes an already difficult situation even harder.

"Based on recent surveys from the Chamber of Commerce and their affiliates, coupled with studies on the impacts of minimum wage in localities, and the testimony of so many of our business owners, there is no doubt in my mind that this bill will cost people their businesses and have little to no impact on the real problems facing the cost of living in our state.

"So why am I voting up on this? Because as hard as this is, I believe in compromise. The Chamber of Commerce came out and said that if we are intent to pass this piece of legislation, then at least stagger it to give some of our people a fighting chance. And \$18 by 2028, a permanent refundable tax credit, and a tip credit was the compromise.

"Mr. Speaker, I only hope that when I leave the chamber to go meet with my business owners in my community, as I have been throughout the pandemic, some of whom may lose everything, that they will be as understanding as I have been. However, I don't blame them one bit for being rightfully upset, and I share with them a mutual frustration about the direction of the state.

"Mr. Speaker, to conclude, government cannot artificially create good pay. It results in unintended consequences and the people who should be most helped are often the most harmed. I deeply and sincerely hope that when this distinguished body reconvenes to these chambers next January, that it seriously begins to consider removing many of our regressive taxes, which are a primary cause of the cost of living in Hawaii, and focus their efforts on eliminating government-created barriers that significantly hinder our ability to create work and higher wages. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

Representative Matsumoto rose to speak in opposition to the measure, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise in opposition to this measure. Our families are hurting in Hawaii. People are living paycheck to paycheck and they're leaving our state because they cannot afford to live here. People are struggling and they need help. This is a bill that I have wrestled with all session. There are really great parts of this bill. But I have reservations whether it's the best path forward.

"I have made a commitment during my time in the legislature that I don't vote reservations on a final bill, I either vote yes or no. And so, I made the very, very difficult choice today to vote no, even though there are really great components. I wholeheartedly support making the Earned Income Tax Credit refundable and permanent, as this will really benefit low income and working people, it will increase economic activity, and counteract regressivity in the tax code. This is so important and so needed for our communities.

"When we were considering a minimum wage increase to \$13 in 2020, I was willing to support the bill. Then COVID hit and before we shut down the Legislature, I gave a speech on this floor stating that I agree with the increase but now is not the best time. Here we are today considering a 78% increase to the minimum wage when the economic climate is so much worse.

"We are putting so much hope in raising the minimum wage when there are so many other ways to achieve the same goal, to support working families. That's why I've introduced bills to lower the income tax. A third of our paycheck is being taken away by taxes. Collectively we have one of the highest taxes in the nation. Imagine the impact that we could make if we gave people more of their hard-earned money back in their pocket. For years, I've introduced a bill to eliminate tax on necessities like food and medical services. This would immediately help people in their everyday lives, and it's something that most other states do.

"Over the last two years, our island small businesses have weathered storm after storm. Businesses have had to deal with government-imposed restrictions that were put there for the intended health and safety of our population. But there was constant uncertainty of what was allowed and what wasn't allowed. With mounting pressure from stifling mandates to supply chain crises, hundreds of businesses, ranging from startups to family legacies, were given no choice but to close their doors. And for those who remain, the challenges are far from over.

"When this bill passed through the House, I shared the difficulty that small businesses like my 112-year-old family farm in Wahiawa will face. I've talked to several small businesses in my community that have been there for years and they shared how they would really struggle. People like Joann Shigeoka from Shige Saimin and Miriam from Barrio said they'd most likely go out of business if this passes.

"Not only has there been uncertainty from the pandemic, but the general cost of business has gone up. Big box and chain stores will be fine. They can afford to automate their systems and have more checkout lines. Who we're really hurting is our local business owner, all the employees that work for them, and their families. We're inviting big businesses to come in and take over our state because the small guys can't make it.

"I agree that in difficult times everyone needs to pitch in to help, businesses and government together. I would have been in support of a multi-pronged approach with a slight raising the minimum wage, making the EITC permanent and refundable, and many other forms of tax relief, like eliminating the GET and an income tax reduction for the residents who need it most, especially since we have a surplus in our budget this year.

"Our communities do need help. The Legislature needs to continue to work to find a reasonable, well-rounded solution for the people of our state that doesn't rely on such an immense increase in the minimum wage. Going forward, we need to focus on other ways to lower the cost of living in our state and to support our communities. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2510, HD 2, SD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO INCOME," passed Final Reading by a vote of 48 ayes to 3 noes, with Representatives Okimoto and Tokioka voting aye with reservations, and with Representatives Kong, Matsumoto, and Quinlan voting no.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 233-22 and H.B. No. 2288, HD 2, SD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2288, HD 2, SD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LAND," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 234-22 and H.B. No. 2024, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1:**

Representative Belatti moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 2024, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1 pass Final Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Tarnas rose to speak in support of the measure, stating:

"Mr. Speaker, I rise to speak in support of this measure. As we began to engage in serious policy discussions on the management framework for Mauna Kea, it was clear to me that the primary focus should be on what is best for Mauna Kea itself. As an environmental planner for my entire career here in Hawaii, over three and a half decades, I recognize that environmental stewardship is an important public and personal responsibility. A healthy environment supports our quality of life.

"In my work on this bill, I had two main objectives for a new management framework for Mauna Kea. First, respect our indigenous people by providing a substantive voice for Native Hawaiians in the management decisions for Mauna Kea. Secondly, ensure a stable, supportive future for astronomy on Mauna Kea through a community-based mutual stewardship model.

"We have all seen over the past several years that the status quo of Mauna Kea's management needs to change. Native Hawaiians do not feel they have had a voice in the management of the *mauna*, and that needs to change. The astronomy community feels that they do not have the relationship of mutual respect and benefit, which they really want to have with the community, including and especially Native Hawaiians, and that also needs to change.

"Mauna Kea is of paramount importance to our community. Mauna Kea is also the best place on the planet for astronomy. Recognizing this competitive advantage for astronomy, the Hawaii State Government has invested significant resources on Mauna Kea through state agencies and the University of Hawaii. Over the last 50 years, long-term leases have provided the security for U.S. and international organizations to invest billions of dollars in constructing and operating observatories on Mauna Kea. Today, astronomy has a total economic impact to the state of approximately \$220 million annually, generates about 1,300 jobs statewide, and provides significant STEM education and workforce development opportunities for our community.

"My district includes the town of Waimea, where there are two headquarters of major observatories operating on Mauna Kea. My constituents, including Native Hawaiians and those who are not of Hawaiian ancestry, have made their voices known, saying, we support astronomy that is done with respect for the environment and Native Hawaiian cultural values and provides education and employment opportunities to Hawaii's people.

"The directors of the Keck Observatory, Subaru Telescope, and Gemini Observatory recently released a consensus statement on the principles for the future management of astronomical facilities on Mauna Kea. These principles are consistent with the policies of the Astro2020 Decadal Survey, which guides the future of astronomy research in the United States. These

principles have also been endorsed by other national astronomy organizations.

"In their statement of principles, these Mauna Kea observatory directors have stated, 'We strongly believe there is a vibrant and sustainable future for astronomy on Maunakea - a future based on a community model of astronomy in which relationships and partnerships between the community and astronomy thrive, upheld by the values of respect, collaboration, and inclusion. The observatories are permitted by the state to conduct activities on Maunakea lands - public lands that are important to multiple stakeholders and of great cultural importance to the Hawaiian community. We, [the observatories on Maunakea,] are grateful for our privilege of observing the Universe from Maunakea.'

"The Maunakea Observatories also stated, 'It is through the lens of this framework that we remain deeply committed to ensuring the local and native Hawaiian community is included as we work together in forging a positive future for Maunakea.... We seek a community-based mutual stewardship model which will allow astronomy to thrive alongside other interests, sensitive to the needs of the local community.'

"Based on all this, it was clear to the State House that the status quo was no longer acceptable. We felt the Legislature had a responsibility to grapple with this very difficult and contentious issue and develop an alternative management framework for Mauna Kea."

Representative Branco rose to yield his time, and the Chair "so ordered."

Representative Tarnas continued, stating:

"Thank you. Our legislative purpose was not to criticize the University of Hawaii and its management, but rather to learn from the UH experience and recommend a management framework that builds on these lessons. The State House formed the Mauna Kea Working Group, through your leadership, Mr. Speaker, to engage with numerous representatives of the Native Hawaiian community who had demonstrated a sincere commitment to the stewardship *kuleana* of Mauna Kea.

"The dialog and deliberations of the Mauna Kea Working Group were done with respect and humility. We learned a lot from each other and recognized we share common values and a sense of responsibility for careful stewardship of Mauna Kea. I am deeply grateful to the working group members who gave their time, *mana'o*, and commitment to this process.

"The working group recognized that the controversy regarding management of Mauna Kea is connected to larger questions and longstanding issues, not all of which can be addressed in this legislation. But we can and what I believe we have done in this legislation, is create a framework for managing Mauna Kea which provides an alternative path. One which provides a substantive voice for Native Hawaiians in the process of Mauna Kea's management while supporting a sustainable future for astronomy on Mauna Kea.

"Mr. Speaker, when an issue is so controversial, the easy option for us as a legislature is to leave it to another year, another session, another administration, another entity to craft a solution. And for members of our communities, the easy option is to stand aside and criticize the system without engaging in the harder work of moving towards a solution. I am deeply grateful to my fellow legislators, the stakeholders, and the members of the community who were willing to come to the table to find a better path forward. And the Native Hawaiian community leaders who have been part of the working group and this legislative process have brought their *mana'o*, their hard work, and solutions-oriented thinking, which is the heart of this legislation.

"The Maunakea Observatories and the astronomy community have done their part by acknowledging how having a better relationship with the community, especially the Native Hawaiian community, is of vital importance to their work and values. The university has done their part by participating fully in the discussions in the Mauna Kea Working Group and listening to the concerns and criticisms from others. And they also made systemic changes in their own administrative organization through the establishment of the Center for Maunakea Stewardship.

"I am grateful for these strong leaders who are steadfast in their commitment to the process. Their engagement made it possible for us to

envision the possibility of a brighter future for Mauna Kea. This measure takes a carefully balanced approach by stating that it is the policy of the State to support astronomy that is consistent with a mutual stewardship paradigm in which ecology, the environment, natural resources, cultural practices, education, and science are in balance and synergy. This approach is consistent with the approach supported by leaders in the Native Hawaiian community, members of the Mauna Kea Working Group, and leaders in the astronomical community in Hawaii and the nation.

"The process of arriving at this conference draft involved not only a yearlong working group, but also extensive hearings, consultation, and testimony from stakeholders and community members at every step of this legislative process. Now, I ask my colleagues here in the State House to support this legislation, which provides a new path forward for managing Mauna Kea. It creates a *kuleana* for everyone who cares about the future of the *mauna*. I ask all the stakeholders to embrace the opportunity and now do the hard work of engaging collaboratively in the process established by this new management framework and move forward together. And, Mr. Speaker, may I have permission to enter additional remarks into the Journal. *Mahalo*."

Representative Tarnas's written remarks are as follows:

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

"As we began to engage in serious policy discussions on the management framework for Mauna Kea, it was clear to me that the primary focus should be on what is best for Mauna Kea itself. As an environmental planner for my entire career in Hawaii, I recognize that environmental stewardship is an important public and personal responsibility. A healthy environment supports our quality of life.

"In my work on this bill, I have two main objectives for a new management framework for Mauna Kea:

- Respect our indigenous people by providing a substantive voice for Native Hawaiians in the management decisions for Mauna Kea.
- Ensure a stable supportive future for astronomy on Mauna Kea through a community-based mutual stewardship model.

"We have all seen over the past several years that the status quo of Mauna Kea's management needs to change. Native Hawaiians do not feel they have had a voice in the management of the *mauna*, and that needs to change. The astronomy community feels they do not have the relationship of mutual respect and benefit which they really want to have with the community, including and especially Native Hawaiians, and that also needs to change.

"Mauna Kea is of paramount importance to our community, including Native Hawaiians, non-Hawaiians, cultural practitioners, scientists, artists, hikers, photographers, star-gazers, and so many more. Mauna Kea has significant environmental and cultural importance.

"Mauna Kea is also the best place on the planet for astronomy facilities because of a combination of environmental factors, including our mid-Pacific location far from the continent, clear dark skies, and stable temperature, wind and humidity conditions.

"Recognizing this competitive advantage for astronomy, the Hawaii State Government has invested significant resources on Mauna Kea through state agencies and the University of Hawaii to provide road access, communication and data networks, support facilities, administrative services, and resource management. Over the last 50 years, long-term leases have provided the security for U.S. and international organizations to invest billions in constructing and operating observatories on Mauna Kea. Today, astronomy has a total economic impact to the state of approximately \$220 million annually, generates about 1,300 jobs statewide, and provides significant STEM education and workforce development opportunities for our community.

"My district includes the town of Waimea where there are two headquarters of major observatories operating on Mauna Kea. My constituents, including Native Hawaiians and those who are not of Hawaiian ancestry, have made their voices known, saying, 'we support astronomy that is done with respect for the environment and Native Hawaiian cultural values, and provides education and employment opportunities to Hawai'i's people.'

"The Directors of W.M. Keck Observatory, Subaru Telescope and Gemini Observatory released a consensus statement on the principles for the future management of astronomical facilities on Mauna Kea. These principles were subsequently endorsed by the Board of Directors of the Association of Universities for Research in Astronomy (AURA), a consortium of 47 US institutions and 3 international affiliates that operates world-class astronomical observatories for the National Science Foundation (NSF) and the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

"In their statement of principles, these Mauna Kea observatory directors stated, 'We strongly believe there is a vibrant and sustainable future for astronomy on Maunakea – a future based on a community model of astronomy in which relationships and partnerships between the community and astronomy thrive, upheld by the values of respect, collaboration, and inclusion. The observatories are permitted by the State to conduct activities on Maunakea lands – public lands that are important to multiple stakeholders and of great cultural importance to the Hawaiian community. We are grateful for our privilege of observing the universe on Maunakea.'

"Their statement of principles also refers to the following policy from the Astro2020 Decadal Survey, which guides the future of astronomy research in the U.S. 'NSF, NASA, DOE, facility managing organizations, project consortia, individual institutions, and other stakeholders can work to build partnerships with indigenous and local communities that are more functional and sustained through a Community Astronomy approach, and by increasing the modes of engagement and funding for: (i) meaningful, mutually beneficial partnerships with Indigenous and local communities, (ii) culturally supported pathways for the inclusion of Indigenous members within the profession, and (iii) true sustainability, preservation, and restoration of sites.'

"Referring to Astro2020, the Maunakea Observatories stated, 'It is through the lens of this framework that we remain deeply committed to ensuring the local and native Hawaiian community is included as we work together in forging a positive future for Maunakea.... We seek a community-based mutual stewardship model which will allow astronomy to thrive alongside other interests, sensitive to the needs of the local community.'

"Based on all this, it was clear to the State House that the status quo was no longer acceptable. We felt the Legislature had a responsibility to grapple with this very difficult and contentious issue and develop an alternative management framework for Mauna Kea. Our legislative purpose was not to criticize the University of Hawaii and its management, but rather to learn from the UH experience and recommend a management framework that builds on these lessons.

"The State House formed the Mauna Kea Working Group to engage with numerous representatives of the Native Hawaiian community who had demonstrated a sincere commitment to the stewardship *kuleana* of Mauna Kea. The dialog and deliberations of the Mauna Kea Working Group were done with respect and humility. We learned a lot from each other and recognized we shared common values and a sense of responsibility for careful stewardship of Mauna Kea. I am deeply grateful to the working group members who gave their time, *mana'o*, and commitment to this process.

"The working group recognized that the controversy regarding management of Mauna Kea is connected to larger questions and longstanding issues, not all of which can be addressed in this legislation.

"But we can, and what I believe we have done in this legislation, is create a framework for managing Mauna Kea which provides an alternative path: one which provides a substantive voice for Native Hawaiians in the process of Mauna Kea's management, while supporting a sustainable future for astronomy on Mauna Kea.

"When an issue is so controversial, the easy option for us as a legislature is to leave it to another year, another session, another administration, another entity to craft a solution.

"And, for members of our communities, the easy option is to stand aside and criticize the system, without engaging in the harder work of moving towards a solution.

"I am deeply grateful to my fellow legislators, the stakeholders, and the members of the community who were willing to come to the table to find a better path forward.

"*Mahalo* to the Native Hawaiian community leaders who have been part of the working group and legislative process brought their *mana'o*, hard work, and solutions-oriented thinking which is the heart of this legislation.

"*Mahalo* to the Maunakea Observatories and astronomy community who have acknowledged how having a better relationship with the community, especially the Native Hawaiian community, is of vital importance to their work and values.

"*Mahalo* to the University of Hawaii leaders who participated fully in the discussions in the Mauna Kea Working Group, listening to the concerns and criticisms from others, and also making systemic changes in their administrative organization through the establishment of the Center for Maunakea Stewardship.

"I am grateful for these strong leaders who were steadfast in their commitment to the process. Their engagement made it possible for us to envision the possibility of a brighter future for Mauna Kea.

"This measure takes a carefully balanced approach by stating that it is the policy of the State to support astronomy that is consistent with a mutual stewardship paradigm in which ecology, the environment, natural resources, cultural practices, education, and science are in balance and synergy. This approach is consistent with the approach supported by leaders in the Native Hawaiian community, members of the Mauna Kea Working Group and leaders in the astronomical community in Hawaii and the nation.

"The authority created by this bill would be attached to DLNR with its headquarters at UH Hilo 'Imiloa Astronomy Center or some other facility on Hawaii Island. The bill articulates that ecological protection, environmental sustainability, natural resources, cultural practice, education, and science would all be fostered in a mutual stewardship paradigm.

"In the conference draft bill, there is a five-year transition period during which UH handles day-to-day operations while the new authority develops plans for stewardship, financial support, leasing process, limitations on the number of observatories, and a moratorium on new leases during the transition. The authority recommends establishing a Mauna Kea Reserve on some of the land and submits regular reports to the Legislature. The current observatories can begin discussions with the authority about their future leases for their facilities.

"After the five-year transition, the authority assumes the powers and responsibilities of DLNR [Department of Land and Natural Resources] and LUC [Land Use Commission] over the lands in the Mauna Kea Reserve. The authority assumes the position of UH relative to the master lease, takes over day-to-day management, and would have the authority to assign leases. All current leases would still be in effect until 2033.

"Decommissioning the Caltech Submillimeter Observatory and Hoku Kea are still in the bill, but the authority is responsible for developing any other limitations on observatories.

"The authority is tasked with the responsibility to develop, negotiate, and execute agreements that support astronomy. This includes education, training, employment, and professional development opportunities for state residents. The practice of the observatories granting UH a certain amount of observing time, which is a very valuable commodity, will continue to be part of future leases. The bill sets a minimum floor of 7% of viewing time going to UH with a priority for research programs that involve Hawaii students (including UH, public schools and Hawaiian language schools) and projects that collaborate with Hawaiian culture and cultural practitioners. The bill also appropriates additional funds for K-12 public education programs in astronomy-related fields of learning at the University of Hawaii at Hilo, 'Imiloa Astronomy Center.

"The Conference Draft of the bill includes the operating principles of *mauna aloha*, *'ōpū kupuna* and *holomua 'oi kelakela*. It does not include articulation of the Kumu Kānāwai, a set of statements which describe the Native Hawaiian cultural worldview and values relevant to the stewardship of Mauna Kea. But the authority would be able to choose to incorporate these Kumu Kānāwai principles into its own rules and operational plans.

"The board members would be appointed by the Governor in the first year and confirmed by the Senate. The composition of the management board includes seats for the chairperson of the Board of Land and Natural Resources, the Hawaii County mayor, chair of the UH Board of Regents, an individual with 'aina resource management expertise and specific experience with Hawaii Island-based management, an individual with expertise in p-12 public education, a representative of Maunakea Observatories, an individual with business and finance expertise and management experience, an individual who is a lineal descendant of a practitioner of Native Hawaiian traditional and customary practice associated with Mauna Kea, an individual who is a recognized practitioner of Native Hawaiian traditional and customary practices, and two members selected by the Governor from a list submitted by the House Speaker and Senate President.

"The process of arriving at this conference draft involved not only a yearlong working group, but also extensive hearings, consultation, and testimony from stakeholders and community members at every step of this legislative process.

"Now, I ask my colleagues in the State House to support this legislation which provides a new path forward for managing Mauna Kea. It creates a *kuleana* for everyone who cares about the future of the *mauna*. I ask all the stakeholders to embrace the opportunity and do the hard work to implement this bill by engaging collaboratively in the process established by this new management framework and move forward together. *Mahalo*."

Representative Ward rose to speak in support of the measure with reservations, stating:

"Mr. Speaker, I rise with reservations. Mr. Speaker, I really appreciate the comments of the speaker from the Big Island, who represents that district well, has stated eloquently and articulately the position. However, because of the volatility of this situation, I'm a bit skeptical. I would like to see it more so as a pilot to see if it works, and then we change it and adjust it. I'm not sure that given the history of this issue, we are going to have a settlement or, as I said in a different speech, the test of the pudding is in the tasting. When we see what he has said come true, then it shall be done. But until then, I remain skeptical. Thank you."

Representative McKelvey rose to speak in support of the measure with reservations, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I too rise in support, however, I have reservations, which was reflected by the speaker earlier. In fact, may I have the words of the Representative from Hawaii Kai entered in the Journal as if that were my own," and the Chair "so ordered." (By reference only.)

Representative McKelvey continued, stating:

"Mr. Speaker, I reached out to members of the Native Hawaiian community about the CD 1 draft, and they have concerns with the fact that the membership may not reflect what they feel should have been the end result, Mr. Speaker. However, it's a phased-in approach. It's an approach which will allow time for future legislatures to come back and look at the composition issue. It's been a year in which I think many of the concerns can be addressed down the road. However, Mr. Speaker, I think that the concerns are so valid that I have to have reservations with them going forward.

"Mr. Speaker, at the end of the day though, as we started this, all my reservations were grounded, and not a no vote, in the fact that for the bill to fail means we're left with the status quo of one entity having complete and unilateral control and decision making over the entire area. And that those who have a different voice, those in the Native Hawaiian community in particular, won't have the ability to echo that voice.

"And I was talking to one of my Maui colleagues, Mr. Speaker, and they brought up the fact that the Big Island delegation in the House and the Senate have worked hard on this and have had hours and hours and hours of meetings with many different stakeholders from many different areas. And in the end, it's self-determination for them. They are the elected representatives and senators of their island. And so, therefore, as one from Maui who if was in the same position would appreciate the support to be able to work with my community, I think therefore the measure should go forward. But that doesn't dilute the concerns that I and many others have

with the measure and hope that in the future that these concerns can be addressed so that there is greater inclusivity and specifications for the members of this working group to ensure that all the voices are heard. *Mahalo*."

Representative LoPresti rose to speak in support of the measure with reservations, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. With reservations. I was originally opposed to it, but I really do appreciate the changes in the work that's been put into this. My reservations largely stem, Mr. Speaker, from one specific line in the bill and I'd like to talk about that, section -6(d), line 3, that the framework may include a set of principles for returning the lands used for astronomy research to their natural state whenever observatories are decommissioned or 'no longer have research or educational value,' Mr. Speaker. Why include that phrase? That's what really concerns me.

"There seems to be a faulty logic that somehow the fact that we have space-based astronomy and space-based astronomy will continue to grow, that somehow that might lead to ground-based astronomy becoming obsolete, and that's faulty logic. The shovel is not obsolete because we have the backhoe. The magnifying glass is not obsolete because we have the microscope. So, my concern, Mr. Speaker, is this language of 'no longer have research or educational value' will be weaponized. It will be weaponized by those who want to get rid of all astronomy on the *mauna*. And that's where my reservations are. What gives me solace is the intent of this bill, in section 8, is it is very clear that the support of astronomy is now the policy of the State. So those are my comments. Thanks."

Representative D. Kobayashi rose to speak in opposition to the measure, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'm speaking in opposition. So, I've heard many proponents of this working group describe this as really a win-win situation, that everybody's happy on this, everybody's bought off on it. For this particular predicament, where I think you consider it basically the ultimate zero-sum game, I don't see any win-win possible here. I think what we're hearing is basically window dressing for what the intent is of this, which is really to legitimize the building of the telescopes.

"And make no mistake, I think regardless of all the pretty wording, that's exactly what we're doing right here. And there are certain things that I think you can navigate, certain outcomes, but I think when you hear the proponents of this talking about how this is going to work to make everybody happy, those who consider the telescope to be a desecration as well as those that consider astronomy the most important thing in the world, it really doesn't make any sense for there to be any win-win on this. And I think you've got to really look through the pretty wording and see what we're really doing here. And as a result, I've done that, and I'm a clear no on this. Thank you."

Representative Belatti rose to speak in support of the measure, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. In strong support. Mr. Speaker, I have to be very honest. When we engaged in this process, I was not confident. I could remember back and look at the standoff that we saw at Mauna Kea. And I was thinking, how are we going to navigate through all of this? But, Mr. Speaker, thanks to the hard work of your committee members on this, the skillful facilitation of the Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs Chair and the Water & Land Chair, as well as the Representative from District 43, they took months to navigate a process that brought stakeholders together. And the words and the phrase that I take away from the speaker from Waimea's comments is that what they have built and designed is a community model of mutual stewardship, an alternative management framework going forward. Again, several years ago, I could not see a way forward, and we have that way forward because they have done the difficult work of bringing stakeholders together.

"Now, that work has not been for nothing. At the highest levels of astronomy now, at the National Academies of Sciences and the Decadal Survey on Astronomy and Astrophysics 2020, we are hearing these words of community models, of stewardship and management. So, whatever happens with the outcome of this bill, this work of this House and this committee has already had an impact at national levels and changed the conversation. And that is precisely what this state is great about. What the

culture of Native Hawaiians is great about. It's about mutual stewardship and bringing people together and to see a way forward.

"So, my hope is that this bill is more than just pretty words. It's already made a difference at national and federal levels. And there are conversations not just happening on our islands but in other places. Because the rights and the voices of indigenous people need to be heard. And for me, it is a good day that it was the work of this House committee, it was the work of this House body that said, let us find a way forward. And my hope is that this bill will move forward and that we see that this management model is implemented in this state. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

Representative Kapela rose and asked that the Clerk record an aye vote with reservations for her, and the Chair "so ordered."

Representative Nakashima rose to speak in support of the measure, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. In support. About seven months ago when I was charged with leading this working group by you, sending me on an odyssey, I was not sure where we would end up. However, given the experience I've had, I'd like to thank you for giving me the opportunity to lead this working group and to come to know all of the members of the working group.

"I'd like to read for the body a letter received by Dr. Noe Noe Wong-Wilson, who is a resident of my district and who was a member of the working group. And she writes, 'I am writing to ask you to support HB 2024, HD1, SD2, CD1, Relating to Mauna Kea. The establishment of a new Mauna Kea Stewardship and Oversight Authority which will be responsible solely for the care and well-being of Mauna Kea will set a precedent for a true community-based & government partnership for stewarding the most important natural, cultural and historic resources we have in Hawai'i which is the 'āina. I do believe that good stewardship can place the interests of the mauna, cultural practitioners, community, education, and science including good astronomy and conservation efforts in alignment. The plan for transition of stewardship from UH to the new authority will be challenging but the plan is well thought out and will require cooperation from all parties. If the well-being of Mauna Kea is the common goal, the transition can be achieved with support from everyone including you, our elected officials.

"Mahalo for your hard work through the last few months. My experience on the Mauna Kea Working Group and supporting this bill through this year's legislative process has been enlightening, exciting and sometimes daunting. I have witnessed the earnest dedication that our elected officials must give to the process in order to make good decisions for the people and our beloved home.'

"So, I'd like to thank Dr. Noe Noe Wong-Wilson for her words of support, and I'd like to also ask permission to include the names of the other working group members into the Journal. Thank you very much."

The members of the Mauna Kea Working Group are as follows:

Representative Mark Nakashima, Chair, House of Representatives;  
Representative Ty J.K. Cullen, House of Representatives;  
Representative Stacelynn K.M. Eli, House of Representatives;  
Representative David A. Tarnas, House of Representatives;  
Ms. Jocelyn Leialoha M. Doane, Native Hawaiian Community Representative;  
Dr. Lui Hokoana, Native Hawaiian Community Representative;  
Dr. Bonnie Irwin, Chancellor, University of Hawai'i at Hilo;  
Dr. Pualani Kanaka'ole Kanahele, Native Hawaiian Community Representative;  
Mr. Joshua Lanakila Mangauli, Native Hawaiian Community Representative;  
Mr. Robert K. Masuda, First Deputy, Board of Land and Natural Resources;  
Mr. Rich Matsuda, Interim Chief of Operations, W.M. Keck Observatory;  
Ms. Brialyn Onodera, Native Hawaiian Community Representative;  
Mr. Shane Palacat-Nelsen, Native Hawaiian Community Representative;  
Mr. Sterling Wong, Office of Hawaiian Affairs;  
Dr. Noe Noe Wong-Wilson, Native Hawaiian Community Representative;  
Mr. Wayne Tanaka, Office of Hawaiian Affairs; and  
Dr. Sylvia Hussey, Office of Hawaiian Affairs.

Representative Gates rose and asked that the Clerk record an aye vote with reservations for him, and the Chair "so ordered."

Representative Holt rose to speak in support of the measure with reservations, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. With reservations. My reservations for this measure have always been about the process of how we got here. Thank you to the Chair of the Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs Committee for leading the working group. But we didn't have any participation from the Senate until the last couple of weeks in session. And thank you very much to the Chair of the Higher Education Committee in the Senate for coming together and working on this with us, as we had previously heard there would be no cooperation. So, at least we're here at this point.

"But just because we have this bill doesn't mean the issue is over. Those who participated in the working group are very thankful and do appreciate the work product. I'm not sure that's the common theme across the Hawaiian community. My stance has always been to continue this conversation and not try to fix it in one time. It's obviously not of super importance, we have a five-year transition period so we could use a year or two to tighten this up a little bit more. But I am very thankful that we could sit in a room with a bunch of Native Hawaiians and get a respectful discussion. And I hope that we can continue this moving forward. Thank you."

Representative McKelvey rose in support of the measure with reservations and asked that the remarks of Representative Holt be entered into the Journal as his own, and the Chair "so ordered." (By reference only.)

Representative Tokioka rose in support of the measure with reservations and asked that the remarks of Representative Holt be entered into the Journal as his own, and the Chair "so ordered." (By reference only.)

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2024, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MAUNA KEA," passed Final Reading by a vote of 49 ayes to 2 noes, with Representatives Gates, Holt, Kapela, LoPresti, McKelvey, Tokioka, and Ward voting aye with reservations, and with Representatives Hashem and D. Kobayashi voting no.

#### **Conf. Com. Rep. No. 235-22 and H.B. No. 2260, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2260, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CANNABIS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes to 1 no, with Representative Okimoto voting no.

#### **Conf. Com. Rep. No. 249-22 and S.B. No. 3289, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1:**

Representative Belatti moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that S.B. No. 3289, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1 pass Final Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Sayama rose to speak in support of the measure, stating:

"Mr. Speaker, in support. As the Legislature moves measures to put money into working families' pockets right now, this bill looks to help their families when they retire. Currently, tens of thousands of Hawaii's private sector employees have little access to or no knowledge of investing in their retirement future. Even small businesses, who want to provide employees with retirement benefits, simply are unable to due to the cost and complexity of managing a retirement program.

"Without a robust retirement plan, workers will continue to step into retirement only to fall into poverty and grow dependent on public assistance programs. Today, however, we shine a light on this bleak future. Thanks to the dedicated advocacy of AARP and the collaboration and leadership of the Chairs of Labor & Tourism, Consumer Protection & Commerce, and Finance, this bill will establish a state retirement savings program.

"This program represents a strong commitment to helping local businesses and their employees open and enroll into a retirement savings program. Combined with \$1 million for education and outreach and a \$500 match for the first 50,000 employee participants, I am extremely hopeful we will see more workers save for their future and live with dignity as they age. This was no small feat, and I'd like to again extend my warmest thanks to

everyone who was involved in making this measure possible today. Thank you."

Representative Luke rose to speak in support of the measure, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. In strong support. This has been an issue that has been on the Legislature's table for several years. And thanks to the advocacy of AARP and many of the members here, we are here passing a really good bill. This bill allows for individuals who would like an opportunity to participate in a retirement savings, only because their employers do not provide any type of 401k or other opportunities, an opportunity for the first time to be able to participate. Thanks to the efforts of the prior Labor Chair, who is the CPC Chair, and the current Labor Chair.

"This is an example of the Legislature grappling with a very tough issue and trying to figure out a way where it's not just providing money but finding a way to implement it correctly. And this is an example of where the working group and the interim work really work. And so, we wanted to just thank all the members, especially the members of the working group and especially AARP, for bringing us this far on something that is workable, something that is good for Hawaii's workers, and something that we can be all proud of.

"And this will be a first in the nation of an example where other states have shied away from an opt-out system. And now they have an example that they can use to look at perhaps a successful opt-in with significant amount of investment by the State. So, thank you very much."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 3289, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HAWAII RETIREMENT SAVINGS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes to 1 no, with Representative McDermott voting no.

#### **Conf. Com. Rep. No. 250-22 and S.B. No. 2021, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1:**

Representative Belatti moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that S.B. No. 2021, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1 pass Final Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Holt rose to speak in support of the measure, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. In strong support. For the betterment of Native Hawaiians, for the betterment of the conditions of Native Hawaiians, that's what this bill is about. And that's why the Office of Hawaiian Affairs was created in 1978. This may seem like a smaller bill this year, with \$600 million going to DHHL and \$328 million going to the Kalima case, but let me assure you that this measure is just as important.

"Why is it important? It's important because we are exercising our clear authority as a legislature to set OHA's pro rata share closer to the 20% that they're owed. I've stood up here and read all the constitutional stuff and sections in the HRS, I won't do that today. But to be clear, by anybody's accounting, either OHA or DLNR's, we're still far short of that 20% number. Probably around 10% with this \$21 million. So, we still have a long way to go.

"Mr. Speaker, I introduce this bill every year, and I'm very thankful to stand here. And thank you to the Finance Chair, the Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, I'm not going to go down the list, everybody, thank you guys so much. To be here on final reading increasing this amount is amazing.

"So many good things have happened for Hawaiians this year. And I've kind of been numb to it all with how much money is flowing into our community until this morning. And this morning, I was walking back from picking up breakfast for my grandma, and I was standing on the corner waiting for the light. And I turned around and I looked in the graveyard, it's across the street from my house. And I saw these two Hawaiian flags, not flapping in the wind, just straight up. I could see both flags just blowing in the wind. And it just hit me, the progress that we're making and the lives that will be changed by what we're doing here.

"But Mr. Speaker, also in that graveyard is a not so happy reminder of the progress we have made. In the graveyard is buried Joseph Kahahawai, 90 years ago, in 1932, he was murdered. I won't go into the case, the Massie case, but we've obviously come a long way since then. This additional

\$5 million a year and the fact that we are acknowledging that we have been underpaying for so many years is just amazing. And with all the progress made, Mr. Speaker, as evidenced by the comments I referenced in my floor speech a couple of weeks ago, we still have a long way to go. Thank you very much."

Representative Ward rose to speak in support of the measure, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise in strong support with mild opposition. Why do I have strong support with mild opposition? Well, this bill is about what the previous speaker said, getting the 20% to the OHA, which doesn't actually give the 20%. That is the difficulty. But let me go back to Governor Waihee in saying that this was a banner year. Clearly it was a banner year, in fact, not only because of the money, but because this is the most debate I've ever heard in my however many terms I've been here about Hawaiian issues, and in a positive light, Mr. Speaker. So, I think this is really historical that we're not only giving money, but we're talking about it in a positive way and we want to be more constructive.

"Having said that, Mr. Speaker, I would remind my colleagues that the Constitution says clearly that there should be a 20% of the revenues to the benefit of OHA to do its claims. In fact, it even did a study in 2015 that said of the just about \$400 million of the lands that it should get 20%, there should be about \$78,900,00 that would go to them. And referencing the previous speaker, we're about halfway to that 20%, Mr. Speaker.

"And I know there's a working group, you can say, hey, there's a working group, they're going to figure it out. Well, how many times have they tried to inventory the lands, how to figure the lands, when will the working group actually say, not only will there be a 20%, but it will be on gross. Because we reneged on that and said, well, we actually can do net. And Mr. Speaker, I think we shortchanged the Hawaiian community.

"I guess the bottom line is this, and I'm going to quote the Representative from Kailua. When we have in the Constitution, we have by statute what is rightly owed to Hawaiians, why do they have to go to court? Because if this doesn't come to pass to be 20%, this is another Kalima case in the making, Mr. Speaker. That shouldn't have to happen, but it may happen. And I think we'll be regretting all the good things that we've done today, because if they don't go, it's not going to progress what ultimately is this. Mr. Speaker, the Hawaiian community needs self-determination. To get self-determination it needs money and it needs money that is rightly owed. I'm not talking about sovereignty, I'm talking about self-determination, which may a degree of sovereignty contain.

"Mr. Speaker, the Hawaiian community is in a rising renaissance. We'll know more about it in the 2022 election in a few months. But there's a new awakening. Some know that the cultural renaissance began in my district at Kalama Valley. When George Santos, the pig farmer, laid in front of the tractors that were going to knock down his farm. And Kalama Valley was going to be built by Bishop Estate.

"The renaissance now is a political awareness, a political consciousness that says, hey, we are the Hawaiian people, we are the indigenous people, we are the ones that have got all of these statutory rights but we got to go to court to enforce them. For those reasons, Mr. Speaker, I hope today, as a banner year, a banner dialog that we have, is going to be a continuation of a good relationship and a fulfilling of what has been promised for years and years to the Hawaiian community. Thank you."

Representative Belatti rose in support of the measure and asked that her written remarks be inserted in the Journal, and the Chair "so ordered."

Representative Belatti's written remarks are as follows:

"Mr. Speaker, I stand in strong support of Senate Bill 2021, Conference Draft 1.

"The persistent question about the payment of public land trust monies to the Office of Hawaiian Affairs has been a decades long question that has yet to be fully resolved even under this bill. But this bill takes a critical and significant step forward towards meeting the State's obligations to Native Hawaiians and sets up a political process to resolve this moral obligation. We must continue this political process moving forward as envisioned by the Conference draft.

"In examining this issue over the past interim, the House Investigative Committee created by House Resolution 164 (SLH 2021) noted the long political history and background to the creation of and political decisions surrounding ceded lands and the public land trust. The House Investigative Committee ultimately recommended that 'there be additional inquiry into the public land trust and ceded land revenues by the appropriate House legislative committees.' I am grateful that when faced with unexpected revenues, the House Judiciary and Hawaiian Affairs Committee and the House Finance Committee, along with the Senate Hawaiian Affairs and Ways and Means Committees, took up this important recommendation, and have crafted this measure to assist the State in meeting its obligations for the betterment of the conditions of Native Hawaiians."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2021, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO INCREASING THE PAYMENT AMOUNT FOR THE OFFICE OF HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS' PRO RATA SHARE OF THE PUBLIC LAND TRUST," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 251-22 and S.B. No. 2474, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2474, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO RENEWABLE ENERGY," passed Final Reading by a vote of 49 ayes to 2 noes, with Representatives Kong and Okimoto voting no.

**Conf. Com. Rep. No. 252-22 and S.B. No. 2290, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1:**

Representative Belatti moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that S.B. No. 2290, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1 pass Final Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative McKelvey rose to speak in support of the measure with reservations, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. With reservations. I am just disappointed that the final version of this is a much weaker bill than what this legislature started off with. Thank you so much."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2290, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MICROBEADS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 48 ayes to 3 noes, with Representative McKelvey voting aye with reservations, and with Representatives Kong, McDermott, and Okimoto voting no.

At 1:08 p.m., the Chair noted that the following bills passed Final Reading:

S.B. No. 3284, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2511, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 3195, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 3357, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 2405, HD 2, SD 2, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 3272, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2700, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 3110, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 1297, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2070, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2473, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 3334, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 2510, HD 2, SD 1, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 2288, HD 2, SD 2, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 2024, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1  
 H.B. No. 2260, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 3289, SD 2, HD 2, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2021, SD 1, HD 2, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2474, SD 2, HD 1, CD 1  
 S.B. No. 2290, SD 1, HD 1, CD 1

At 1:09 p.m., the Chair declared a recess subject to the call of the Chair.

The House of Representatives reconvened at 1:15 p.m.

Representative Belatti moved to agree to the amendments made by the Senate to the following House Bills, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried: (Representative Costales was excused.)

H.B. No. 980, HD 1, (SD 2)  
 H.B. No. 986, HD 1, (SD 2)  
 H.B. No. 987, HD 1, (SD 1)  
 H.B. No. 1411, HD 2, (SD 1)  
 H.B. No. 1579, HD 2, (SD 2)  
 H.B. No. 1681, HD 2, (SD 1)  
 H.B. No. 1705, HD 1, (SD 1)  
 H.B. No. 1758, HD 2, (SD 2)  
 H.B. No. 1829, HD 2, (SD 2)  
 H.B. No. 1891, HD 1, (SD 1)  
 H.B. No. 1894, HD 3, (SD 2)  
 H.B. No. 2026, HD 2, (SD 1)  
 H.B. No. 2049, (SD 1)  
 H.B. No. 2112, HD 1, (SD 1)  
 H.B. No. 2141, HD 1, (SD 2)  
 H.B. No. 2179, HD 1, (SD 1)  
 H.B. No. 2233, HD 1, (SD 2)  
 H.B. No. 2248, HD 1, (SD 2)  
 H.B. No. 2515, HD 2, (SD 2)

**H.B. No. 980, HD 1, SD 2:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 980, HD 1, SD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ADULT PROTECTIVE SERVICES," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**H.B. No. 986, HD 1, SD 2:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 986, HD 1, SD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO NEWBORN HEARING SCREENING," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**H.B. No. 987, HD 1, SD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 987, HD 1, SD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEARING AND VISION PROGRAM," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**H.B. No. 1411, HD 2, SD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 1411, HD 2, SD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO REGISTRATION OF VEHICLES," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**H.B. No. 1579, HD 2, SD 2:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 1579, HD 2, SD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**H.B. No. 1681, HD 2, SD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 1681, HD 2, SD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION NETWORK COMPANIES," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**H.B. No. 1705, HD 1, SD 1:**

Representative Belatti moved that H.B. No. 1705, HD 1, SD 1 pass Final Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Wildberger rose and asked that the Clerk record an aye vote with reservations for her, and the Chair "so ordered."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and H.B. No. 1705, HD 1, SD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL PARK LEASES," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50



ayes to 1 no, with Representative Wildberger voting aye with reservations, and with Representative Kapela voting no.

**H.B. No. 1758, HD 2, SD 2:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 1758, HD 2, SD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO NURSES," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**H.B. No. 1829, HD 2, SD 2:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 1829, HD 2, SD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO BONDS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**H.B. No. 1891, HD 1, SD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 1891, HD 1, SD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE UNIFORM RECOGNITION AND ENFORCEMENT OF CANADIAN DOMESTIC-VIOLENCE PROTECTION ORDERS ACT," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**H.B. No. 1894, HD 3, SD 2:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 1894, HD 3, SD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN REMAINS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes to 1 no, with Representative McDermott voting no.

**H.B. No. 2026, HD 2, SD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 2026, HD 2, SD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CHAPTER 92, HAWAII REVISED STATUTES," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**H.B. No. 2049, SD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 2049, SD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO STATUTORY REVISION: AMENDING OR REPEALING VARIOUS PROVISIONS OF THE HAWAII REVISED STATUTES OR THE SESSION LAWS OF HAWAII FOR THE PURPOSES OF CORRECTING ERRORS AND REFERENCES, CLARIFYING LANGUAGE, OR DELETING OBSOLETE OR UNNECESSARY PROVISIONS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**H.B. No. 2112, HD 1, SD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 2112, HD 1, SD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CREDIT FOR REINSURANCE," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**H.B. No. 2141, HD 1, SD 2:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 2141, HD 1, SD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO REPORTS TO THE LEGISLATURE FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**H.B. No. 2179, HD 1, SD 1:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 2179, HD 1, SD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COLLECTION OF DELINQUENT TAXES," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes to 1 no, with Representative McDermott voting no.

**H.B. No. 2233, HD 1, SD 2:**

Representative Belatti moved that H.B. No. 2233, HD 1, SD 2 pass Final Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Nakamura rose to speak in support of the measure, stating:

"In support, Mr. Speaker. I'll keep this very short. I just wanted to say that this bill will give families \$500 a year in rental assistance per month. And it will help our working families, over 4,000 of them who are in the TANF and TAONF program. And what's exciting about this bill is that we will be using \$4 million in general funds to leverage \$19 million in federal TANF funds that have been sitting unused each year.

"I just want to take this time to, Mr. Speaker, thank our Finance Chair for working with me during the interim to structure this bill, our Vice Chair of Housing for sitting through so many meetings to craft this bill, and I want to give a shout out to the Department of Human Services, Benefit, Employment & Support Services Division and the TANF staff for being a real partner in crafting this bill. I finally want to thank the 28 co-introducers. *Mahalo* to all of you for your support in helping the neediest families in Hawaii."

Representative McKelvey rose to speak in support of the measure, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'll be brief, but I too, I just want to stand on this in strong support. Mr. Speaker, when you're asked, when we're asked by people, and I spoke earlier on the floor amendment for this reason, what have we done to address the cost of living, we need to point to this bill as well, Mr. Speaker.

"In my district alone, rents are spiraling thanks to the new wave of investment acquisition of houses and apartments and condominiums. And this measure here will help our people in being able to meet, at least somewhat, these challenges. And Mr. Speaker, to tap these unused federal funds just sitting there that could be utilized by the people of Hawaii, amounts, in my mind, to government waste. And for us to draw these monies down and put them in the pockets of working families to help combat the high cost of rent, not only is it a cost of living measure, but also is a waste corruption measure too. Because money unused is money wasted. So again, thank you to the Chairs of Finance and Housing for this bill. It's very important. Thank you."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and H.B. No. 2233, HD 1, SD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE FOR NEEDY FAMILIES," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**H.B. No. 2248, HD 1, SD 2:**

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 2248, HD 1, SD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SCHOOLS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

**H.B. No. 2515, HD 2, SD 2:**

Representative Belatti moved that H.B. No. 2515, HD 2, SD 2 pass Final Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Yamane rose to speak in support of the measure, stating:

"Mr. Speaker, in support, brief comments on HB 2515. This majority package bill, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the select committee and my colleagues that represented the various committee chairs and district area representatives. Mr. Speaker, I truly believe that your committee worked diligently with entities like Board of Water Supply, Department of Health, and the military to actually have a resolution in which we are looking at the closure of the fuel tanks. Mr. Speaker, this measure here before you regarding the laboratory, I think will then, which we are going to try to secure federal funds as part of the settlement moving forward, will then actually help all people of Hawaii and be used in a wide variety of situations to protect our *'aina* as well as the people of Hawaii. So, on behalf of everybody, thank you."

Representative Ganaden rose to speak in support of the measure, stating:

"In strong support, Mr. Speaker. May I have the words of the previous speaker entered into the Journal as my own," and the Chair "so ordered." (By reference only.)

Representative Ganaden continued, stating:

"And a brief comment. This bill is absolutely necessary in order to expedite the testing of our groundwater. Prior to this, we were shipping these test vials out to California for a lab. Famously at the beginning of this emergency in January, some of those testing vials got displaced, there were some other issues. How dangerous this is can't be understated. If we don't get this in time, we could easily see our freshwater being inundated by not just jet fuel, but a variety of other things.

"So, my thanks to the other members of the Red Hill Committee on working on this. Of course, there's a lot of work to do. This has been an evolving crisis that our various elected officials, from the governor to our legislature, our city and county elected officials, and our federal delegation have been working on diligently. It's one of the first times, I mean I'm new but I don't know of any other instance in which all elected officials have been in complete agreement as to what the necessity is to defend our constitutional rights to clean water and to advocate for our communities and for the health of our continued environment. So, again, thank you to the other folks that worked on this with the Red Hill Committee, and we're going to keep our eye on this in the interim and hopefully in the years to come."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and H.B. No. 2515, HD 2, SD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH," passed Final Reading by a vote of 50 ayes to 1 no, with Representative McDermott voting no.

At 1:24 p.m., the Chair noted that the following bills passed Final Reading:

H.B. No. 980, HD 1, SD 2  
 H.B. No. 986, HD 1, SD 2  
 H.B. No. 987, HD 1, SD 1  
 H.B. No. 1411, HD 2, SD 1  
 H.B. No. 1579, HD 2, SD 2  
 H.B. No. 1681, HD 2, SD 1  
 H.B. No. 1705, HD 1, SD 1  
 H.B. No. 1758, HD 2, SD 2  
 H.B. No. 1829, HD 2, SD 2  
 H.B. No. 1891, HD 1, SD 1  
 H.B. No. 1894, HD 3, SD 2  
 H.B. No. 2026, HD 2, SD 1  
 H.B. No. 2049, SD 1  
 H.B. No. 2112, HD 1, SD 1  
 H.B. No. 2141, HD 1, SD 2  
 H.B. No. 2179, HD 1, SD 1  
 H.B. No. 2233, HD 1, SD 2  
 H.B. No. 2248, HD 1, SD 2  
 H.B. No. 2515, HD 2, SD 2

#### HOUSE SPECIAL COMMITTEE

Representative Belatti, for the Special Committee to Consider Miscellaneous Communication Nos. 1001 and 1002, presented a report (Spec. Com. Rep. No. 1).

Representative Belatti moved that the report of the Committee and the recommendations contained therein be adopted, seconded by Representative Okimoto.

Representative Har rose, stating:

"Mr. Speaker, may I rise on a point of personal privilege? Mr. Speaker, I just want to apologize again to you, this body, my family, my constituents, including the petitioners, who I've had the honor and privilege of representing for the past 16 years. I again want to apologize for any shame and embarrassment that I caused, and I humbly ask that you find it in your hearts to forgive me. At this time, Mr. Speaker, may I request additional comments into the Journal, and I respectfully request to be recused from this vote."

The Chair addressed Representative Har, stating:

"Yes, you are excused from this vote, Representative."

Representative Har's written remarks are as follows:

"Mr. Speaker, I would like to address the House Special Committee Report No. 1-22, Regarding Misc. Communications 1001 and 1002 ('Report'), dated on April 29, 2022. From the outset, it should be noted for the record that the Misc. Communications were submitted by the father and mother ('Petitioners'), of one of my political opponents, who ran unsuccessfully against me.

"Secondly, it should be noted that the Report repeats in several places that 'the Committee would be guided by principles of fairness and impartiality consistent with the protection of constitutional due process rights.' Accordingly, the Committee had a duty to act as an impartial, third-party adjudicator. It was, therefore, the Petitioners' burden to prove, under the clear and convincing standard, that there was a violation of House Rule 62. The Petitioners failed to meet their burden presenting only their personal 'statements,' and unsubstantiated media reports.

"Thirdly, I would like to highlight for the members, one portion on page 12 of the Report. Specifically, the portion of the Report at which my attorney, Mr. Luke gave his presentation before the Committee on April 13, 2021. 'Mr. Luke asserted, in relevant part, that the OVUII charge against Representative Har was not dismissed on a technicality and the "judgment of acquittal is a very high standard" whereby the prosecution had failed to meet their burden of proof. 4/13/22 Hearing at p.24. Mr. Luke argued that the District Court thoroughly reviewed all the witness testimony presented at trial, including the testimony of arresting police officers and the AnyPlace Cocktail Lounge staff who served Representative Har, along with all of the body camera video footage of the arrest, and correctly acquitted Representative Har of the OVUII charge. Mr. Luke concluded that this Committee should similarly dismiss the petitions against Representative Har.'

"Finally, I must insert these written remarks because of the many inaccuracies and misleading statements in the Report and to clarify the House Journal.

- On page 1, the Report states, "[t]he Special Committee was charged with investigating whether Representative Sharon E. Har ("Representative Har") conduct involving alleged incidents of driving while intoxicated, driving without an auto insurance policy, and driving the wrong way on a one-way street on February 22, 2021, violated House Rule 62, which sets forth the body's Code of Legislative Conduct."

"On its face, the Report explicitly makes clear that it was formed to re-prosecute me for the alleged OVUII, which clearly violates due process and fairness, under the doctrine of double-jeopardy.

- On page 4, the Report states: "[a]t the outset, the Chair explained that the Committee would be guided by principles of fairness and impartiality consistent with the protection of constitutional due process rights."

"Mr. Speaker, if this was in fact the case, the Committee should have been dismissed immediately after I was acquitted in the district court matter. The principles of double-jeopardy dictate that any issues raised before the Committee which derived from the district court case should have been barred. Unfortunately, numerous questions from the Committee members and statements from the Petitioners related directly to the alleged OVUII incident, and had already been adjudicated by a Court of Law. This was clearly in violation of my due process rights and contradicts misleading statements in the Report that the Committee was guided by principles of fairness and impartiality consistent with the protections of constitutional due process rights.

- On page 5, in the third paragraph, the Report states my trial dates were continued six times for various reasons.

"To be clear, the Courts were closed due to COVID, and that was the reason for the continuances.

- Further on page 5, the Report is misleading and states, "Representative Har's 'jury-waived' trial began on..."

"For the edification of the Chair, you Mr. Speaker and the Committee members, there is no such thing as a 'jury-waived,' trial in matters dealing with OVUII. All cases are bench trials. For the Report to outright state that my trial was 'jury-waived,' insinuates that I waived my right to a jury trial. It is another inaccuracy in the Report and is misleading. Accordingly, I submit this to clarify the Report and record.

- On page 6, in the third paragraph, the Report states; "[t]he Chair advised the parties that the Special Committee would be considering reliable and trustworthy supporting evidence from the parties."

"No information pertaining to the OVUII should have been submitted as the matter had already been adjudicated. At best, however, the Petitioners submitted only: (1) a signed statement by Father Petitioner which reflected his personal opinion; (2) a signed statement by Mother Petitioner which reflected her personal opinion; and (3) unsubstantiated news articles and media reports, which are known as hearsay. This information, under the clear and convincing standard, was not reliable and trustworthy supporting evidence. The Report, again, is inaccurate and misleading.

- Page 9 of the Report notes that there was a request, presumably by the House, for the official transcripts of the pretrial and trial proceedings ("Transcripts").

"To be clear with taxpayers and in the interests of transparency, there should be a disclosure by the Committee as to how much was expended in taxpayer funding to procure the transcripts. Moreover, upon receipt of the Transcripts, the Committee could have easily ruled at that point. The Transcripts substantiated the Declaration I submitted. Instead, the Chair 'determined' that a hearing was necessary, yet gave no reason as to her determination. The Transcripts further substantiated that the allegations made against me by the Petitioners were not true. In fact, the Report explicitly states that 'it was not shown by clear and convincing evidence that Representative Har made the statement, "do you know who I am," or that any statement she made involving her identity was intended to influence the police officers or curry favor.'

- Pp. 14-16, make clear that the House Committee ordered the exhibits that were introduced at my pretrial hearing and trial. These exhibits were given to all of the Committee members.

"I continue to submit that this was in direct violation of my due process rights since the OVUII case had been adjudicated on January 10, 2022. The trial exhibits were directly related to the charge of OVUII. And the matter had been adjudicated by a court of law. Accordingly, there was no reason for the Committee to request access to the exhibits introduced at my trial and to 'review them.'

- Page 17 of the Report again states, "[i]n exercising its duties, the Special Committee was guided by the principles of fairness, due process, and past practice of the House of Representatives in handling matters of alleged drunk drivers by former members of the House of Representatives."

"In the interest of transparency and for the record, there has never been any former House Leadership that has 'handled' a matter of alleged drunk driving by former members of the House of Representatives. It is for the Court system to adjudicate these matters to ensure fairness, and due process.

"I submit that by proceeding with the Committee, the Chair violated the principles of fairness and due process by allowing any issues related to the OVUII to be raised again before the Committee.

- Page 18 of the Report contains one of the most egregious and inaccurate representations. In the first paragraph, the Report states that "... that she endangered others, including a moped that swerved to avoid her and other cars that she potentially could have hit."

"Left out from the Report was the fact that the officer who testified to this, was impeached on this specific statement (as well as other statements) he made in the courtroom, on January 10. His police report, which was written shortly after the incident, did not corroborate much of his verbal testimony. With respect to the alleged moped rider, my attorney explicitly brought to the attention of the officer, that there was no mention of a moped rider in his police report. He admitted it was not. Accordingly, Mr. Speaker, I want to clarify for the record that page 18 of the Report does not accurately reflect

the evidence adduced at trial and submit these remarks to clarify not only the Report, but the House Journal pertaining to acceptance of Special Committee Report 1-22.

- On page 21, the Report states, "[a]ccordingly, the Committee did not find clear and convincing evidence supporting a violation of House Rule 62.2. or 62.4(8)."

"If the Committee found no wrongdoing or breach of any law or rule, it is confusing that the Committee would then proceed to make recommendations against me.

"I want to clarify for the Journal and the Report again, all questions asked by Committee members pertaining to the charge of OVUII violated the principles of fairness and my due process rights. As the Report notes, '[t]he Committee acknowledges that the criminal proceeding related to this matter was dismissed and a judgment for acquittal entered by the District Court. However, the Special Committee notes that the issues before it are not an invitation to relitigate the criminal charges against Representative Har, which have since been resolved in her favor.' Even this statement is misleading because it conflates the fact that I was acquitted and the dismissal was ancillary to the acquittal.

"Due to the many inaccuracies and misleading statements in the Report, I respectfully insert these remarks. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and Spec. Com. Rep. No. 1 was adopted, with Representative Har being excused.

### FINAL READING

Representative Belatti moved to agree to the amendments made by the Senate to the following House Bill, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried:

H.B. No. 1575, HD 2, (SD 2)

#### H.B. No. 1575, HD 2, SD 2:

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 1575, HD 2, SD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

At 1:26 p.m., the Chair noted that the following bill passed Final Reading:

H.B. No. 1575, HD 2, SD 2

### SUPPLEMENTAL CALENDAR #1

#### REPORTS OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEES

At this time, the Chair stated:

"Members, as you know, the Senate President and I exercised our powers under Rule 13 of the Committees on Conference procedures to extend the filing deadline for fiscal bills from 11:30 p.m. on April 29 to 1:00 a.m. on April 30, 2022.

"Conference Committee Reports 253-22 through 255-22 were filed after the close of the Journal on April 29. Therefore, these reports are listed on today's Order of the Day to receive the 48-hour notice of final form required by the Constitution. They will be before this Chamber for final reading during our Thursday, May 5 floor session."

Representatives Luke and Yamashita, for the Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the House to the amendments proposed by the Senate in H.B. No. 1147, SD 1, presented a report (Conf. Com. Rep. No. 253-22) recommending that H.B. No. 1147, SD 1, as amended in CD 1, pass Final Reading.

In accordance with Article III, Section 15, of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii, action on Conf. Com. Rep. No. 253-22 and H.B. No. 1147, SD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE STATE BUDGET," was deferred for a period of 48 hours.

Representatives Perruso, Quinlan and Luke, for the Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the House to the amendments

proposed by the Senate in H.B. No. 2466, HD 2, SD 1, presented a report (Conf. Com. Rep. No. 254-22) recommending that H.B. No. 2466, HD 2, SD 1, as amended in CD 1, pass Final Reading.

In accordance with Article III, Section 15, of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii, action on Conf. Com. Rep. No. 254-22 and H.B. No. 2466, HD 2, SD 1, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TARO," was deferred for a period of 48 hours.

Representatives Nakashima and Luke, for the Committee on Conference on the disagreeing vote of the House to the amendments proposed by the Senate in H.B. No. 2511, HD 2, SD 2, presented a report (Conf. Com. Rep. No. 255-22) recommending that H.B. No. 2511, HD 2, SD 2, as amended in CD 1, pass Final Reading.

In accordance with Article III, Section 15, of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii, action on Conf. Com. Rep. No. 255-22 and H.B. No. 2511, HD 2, SD 2, CD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HAWAIIAN HOME LANDS," was deferred for a period of 48 hours.

### SUSPENSION OF RULES

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the rules were suspended for the purpose of reconsidering action previously taken in disagreeing to amendments made by the Senate to certain House Bills.

### RECONSIDERATION OF ACTION TAKEN

Representative Belatti moved that the House reconsider its action previously taken in disagreeing to the amendments made by the Senate, and to agree to the amendments to the following House Bills, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried:

H.B. No. 1570, HD 1, (SD 2)

H.B. No. 2088, HD 3, (SD 2)

### FINAL READING

#### H.B. No. 1570, HD 1, SD 2:

Representative Belatti moved that H.B. No. 1570, HD 1, SD 2 pass Final Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Wildberger rose to speak in support of the measure with reservations, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. With strong reservations and in solidarity with the advocates who have been working so hard and hoping for a bill that didn't have amendments created by the industry offering so many exemptions. We know that one in three high school students is vaping. We know that one in five middle school students is vaping. And the irony isn't lost on me that our feeble colleagues that are addicted are vaping while we're discussing this bill. The advocates are so exasperated, they'd rather wait another year than have a compromise bill passed. But that's what we do here is compromise. And appreciating the efforts of this bill's introducer and his desire to continue to work on this, I offer my reservations in solidarity with the advocates who care so much about our public health. *Mahalo*."

Representative Kapela rose to speak in opposition to the measure, stating:

"In opposition, Mr. Speaker. Forty-two percent of Native Hawaiian high schoolers statewide currently vape. With neighbor island communities at the forefront of this epidemic, 35.4% of Hawaii Island high schoolers currently vape, with 57% of Hawaii Island high schoolers saying that they have tried vaping. That's nearly 10% higher than the state average.

"The tobacco industry has a history of targeting communities of color, women, LGBTQ communities with flavors, and specifically the menthol flavor. This bill contains an exemption that would leave over 1,000 flavored products on the market. This broad exemption language was requested in written testimony by a tobacco lobbyist, the same company that holds over 30% of the vaping market share and its largest shareholder is Altria, the parent company of Philip Morris. The State of Hawaii filed a lawsuit against

this company in 2020 for its predatory marketing towards children, and several other states have settled similar cases for millions of dollars.

"Incremental progress does not work when dealing with the tobacco industry. They aren't afraid of short-term losses if they can protect their profits in the long term. So, I humbly ask you to ask yourselves why a tobacco industry lobbyist would offer an amendment to a flavor ban bill instead of outright opposing the bill? We can't be so short sighted. What seems like small progress today could be a gaping loophole for years or even just months down the road. The compromises that we make now and the compromise that we're making in this bill is using our *keiki* and using their futures as bargaining chips.

"So, I strongly support a comprehensive ban on the sale of flavored tobacco products. But agreeing to a tobacco industry amendment is something that I cannot do. My responsibility is to my constituents, and that compels me to think about the long-term consequences of short-term compromise. So, for this reason, I have to vote no."

Representative Yamane rose to speak in support of the measure with reservations, stating:

"Mr. Speaker, standing in support with strong reservations. Mr. Speaker, as chair, we want to bring to this body bills that bring both sides together. And at times we are successful, at times, Mr. Speaker, we bring bills in front of the members that both sides don't like. But that's a good thing, because that means both have to give.

"However, Mr. Speaker, this measure before you has some significant concerns that I would like to mention. But beforehand, Mr. Speaker, I want it to be clear that myself and members of the committee are in opposition to any sale of tobacco products, flavored or not, to minors. That was a consistent message that we wanted to make sure resounded, that we wanted to do what we could do to ensure that flavored or regular tobacco products would not get into the hands of our youth. Some of that discussion included meeting with principals to get those products off our school campuses and make sure that there were no avenues, both in stores or online, to get into the hands of our youth.

"However, Mr. Speaker, the measure before you, I would like to express some concerns and have it inserted into the record. Mr. Speaker, many of you received testimony from the Hawaii Public Health Institute, who is asking for the bill to be killed. Mr. Speaker, in my discussions with them, they brought up that currently in the federal exemptions discussion nationally regarding the substance abuse, substance regarding vaping, there are two major exemptions that could include up to, as mentioned earlier, thousands of products.

"Mr. Speaker, in this measure, also dated April 25th, at my request since there were multiple positions stated, we asked the Department of Health to take a stand. Mr. Speaker, I would like this also be inserted into the record, that they provided me on April 25th that they are in opposition to HB 1570.

"Also, the language of the current bill was commented on by the written testimony by the Attorney General dated April 1st, which express some concerns that I would like to highlight as this bill moves forward. Specifically, the issue that the title is relating to youth vaping and that in the language it talks about all tobacco products. I did try to get clarification from the attorney general, and as you know, lawyers, they move in between actually saying yes or no sometimes. So rather than deal with that, I'm going to just submit their testimony on the language that is before you into the record.

"Mr. Speaker, also before you, we have a measure in which will directly impact both the community as well as the Department of Health. And so, I just wanted to make sure that all this is in there for the members to consider. And again, I would just like to highlight that I have some strong reservations. Thank you."

Representative Yamane submitted the following:



Date: May 2, 2022

To:

Representative Scott Saiki, *Speaker*  
Representative John M. Mizuno, *Vice Speaker*  
Representative Della Au Belatti, *Majority Leader*  
Representative Dee Morikawa, *Majority Floor Leader*  
Representative Val Okimoto, *Minority Leader*

Representative Lauren Matsumoto, *Minority Floor Leader*  
Representative Bob McDermott, *Assistant Minority Leader*  
Representative Gene Ward, *Minority Policy Leader*  
Representative Ryan I. Yamane  
Representative Aaron Ling Johanson

From: Coalition for a Tobacco-Free Hawai'i, a program of Hawai'i Public Health Institute  
Re: H.B. 1570, HD1, SD2, Relating to the Youth Vaping Epidemic

The Coalition for a Tobacco-Free Hawai'i (CTFH) writes to express concerns regarding the current exemption language in HB 1570, HD1, SD2, which excludes from the bill's ban on the sale of flavored tobacco products "any product that has received a marketing order or other authorization the United States Food and Drug Administration pursuant to title 21 United States Code section 387j." (Page 10, lines 11-15). For the reasons outlined below, CTFH asks that the House not reconsider its earlier disagreement to the Senate version of the bill.

**The current draft of HB 1570 leaves over one thousand flavored products, including menthol cigarettes, on the market.**

House Bill 1570's current exemption language – an amendment requested by a tobacco industry lobbyist – broadly sweeps in many more products than merely those granted FDA's Premarket Tobacco Application (PMTA) marketing orders. Pursuant to 21 United States code section 387j any new tobacco product must undergo premarket review by the FDA, unless that product received a Substantial Equivalence Marketing Order upon a finding that the product is "substantially equivalent to a tobacco product commercially marketed. . . in the United States as of February 15, 2007".<sup>1</sup> Some new tobacco products may be exempt from even Substantial Equivalence requirements if the new tobacco product is a modified version of a predicate product and the FDA finds, in part, that "the proposed modification is minor and to a legally marketed tobacco product." **Therefore, even if HB 1570, HD1, SD2 passes into law, flavored tobacco products may continue to be sold in Hawai'i if they are granted PMTA marketing orders, Substantial Equivalence marketing orders, or are granted an exemption to Substantial Equivalence requirements. This includes over one thousand flavored tobacco products.**

Products that fall under this exemption and are therefore not required to submit to the PMTA process include but are not limited to certain menthol cigarettes (such as Virginia Slims Menthol Box<sup>2</sup>), flavored pipe tobacco (such as Sutliff #208 Apple Flavored<sup>3</sup>), flavored pre-filled cigar shells (such as Cyclones

<sup>1</sup> U.S. Food & Drug Administration, Substantial Equivalence, <https://www.fda.gov/tobacco-products/market-and-distribute-tobacco-product/substantial-equivalence>.

<sup>2</sup> Substantially Equivalent Letter from FDA CTP to Philip Morris USA, Inc (SE0015757), <https://www.fda.gov/media/146074/download>.

<sup>3</sup> Substantially Equivalent Letter from FDA CTP to Sutliff Tobacco Company (SE0015635), <https://www.fda.gov/media/143035/download>.

Honey<sup>4</sup>), and flavored shisha (such as Al Fakher Apricot, Banana, Rose, Plum<sup>5</sup>). All of these products were exempt from the PMTA process because they received Substantial Equivalence Marketing Orders from the FDA or were otherwise exempt, and would therefore be exempt from the flavor ban enacted pursuant to HB 1570, HD1, SD2 as they were "authorized" under 21 U.S.C. 387j. Products granted PMTA marketing orders would also be exempt.<sup>6</sup>

**The FDA has yet to issue decisions on e-cigarettes that have the largest market shares and/or are popular with youth.**

Although the FDA has issued decisions on 99% of new electronic nicotine delivery system products submitted for PMTA review, it has yet to grant or deny marketing orders on e-cigarette products being sold under the brand names JUUL, Vuse, NJOY, Logic, Blu, SMOK, Suorin and Puff Bar.<sup>7</sup> Many of these products are incredibly popular among youth, and come in flavors such as lemon ice, cool mint, and watermelon. Should the FDA grant marketing orders for these products, they would be allowed to continue being sold in Hawai'i under the exemption provided by HB 1570.

**Exempting menthol cigarettes will disproportionately exclude Native Hawaiian communities from the health benefits of a flavor ban.**

For decades, the tobacco industry has profited from targeting youth of color and other marginalized and low-income populations. African American, Native Hawaiian, and Filipino communities are disproportionately affected by the harms caused by tobacco. In the bill's current form, HB 1570 carves out many products that have historically been heavily marketed to these communities. In Hawai'i, 78% of Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander smokers use menthol cigarettes.<sup>8</sup> **Menthol is also one of the most popular flavors among high school e-cigarette users.**<sup>9</sup> The Coalition has serious concerns that leaving menthol combustible cigarettes on the market may inadvertently cause youth to switch to smoking combustible menthol cigarettes if their preferred e-cigarette flavor is no longer available.

For these reasons, CTFH urges the House to **not reconsider its prior disagreement to HB 1570, HD1, SD2, and, instead, work with advocates and stakeholders to pass a strong, comprehensive flavors bill in 2023.** Please do not hesitate to let us know if you have any questions or concerns. You may contact Amanda Fernandes at (808) 591-6508 x 6, or via email at [amandafernandes@hiphi.org](mailto:amandafernandes@hiphi.org) for additional information. Mahalo for your consideration.

<sup>4</sup> Substantially Equivalent Letter from FDA CTP to BBK Tobacco & Foods, LLP Company (SE0015386), <https://www.fda.gov/media/153694/download>.

<sup>5</sup> EXEMPT Letter from FDA CTP to Al Fakher Distribution USA, Inc (Multiple STNs) <https://www.fda.gov/media/147421/download>.

<sup>6</sup> U.S. Food and Drug Administration, Premarket Tobacco Product Marketing Granted Orders, <https://www.fda.gov/tobacco-products/premarket-tobacco-product-applications/premarket-tobacco-product-marketing-granted-orders>.

<sup>7</sup> Tobacco Business, "FDA Ordered to Submit Quarterly Reports on PMTA Review Process," April 20, 2022, <https://tobaccobusiness.com/fda-ordered-to-submit-quarterly-reports-on-pmta-review-process/>

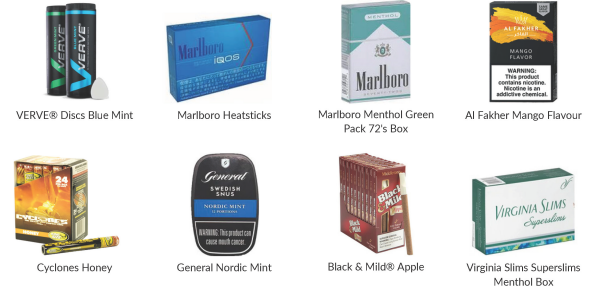
<sup>8</sup> 2019 Hawai'i Youth Tobacco Survey (YTS). Available at: [http://ibis.hhdw.org/bisoph-view/query/result/yts/CSGiePreHMHolNew/HIS\\_ST.html](http://ibis.hhdw.org/bisoph-view/query/result/yts/CSGiePreHMHolNew/HIS_ST.html).

<sup>9</sup> Sonnell S, Barrington-Trimis JL, Wills TA, et al. Association Between Initial Use of e-Cigarettes and Subsequent Cigarette Smoking Among Adolescents and Young Adults: A Systematic Review and Meta-analysis. JAMA Pediatrics. 2017;171(8):788-797. doi:10.1001/jamapediatrics.2017.1488.

# HB 1570: A FLAVOR BAN IN NAME ONLY

HB1570, HD1, SD1 contains a tobacco industry amendment that leaves over 1,000 flavored tobacco products on the market. This undermines the intent of the original bill and makes the "flavored tobacco ban" meaningless. Here is a sampling of flavored tobacco products that would be exempted:

## EXEMPTED PRODUCTS



## PENDING PRODUCTS

While the FDA has denied thousands of marketing orders for most flavors of e-cigarettes, they have yet to make a decision on thousands of menthol-flavored e-cigarettes. These flavors are still extremely popular and appealing to youth, and it is unclear if the FDA will authorize menthol e-cigarettes.



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Honorable Chair Ryan I. Yamane  
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Dear Chair Yamane:

SUBJECT: H.B.1570, H.D. 1, S.D. 2 - Relating to the Youth Vaping Epidemic

The Department of Health (DOH) opposes H.B. 1570, H.D.1, S.D.1 because of the inclusion of the FDA language that cedes state regulatory authority on flavored tobacco products to the federal government. The DOH strongly recommends the following amendment to Section 2, (7), Page 10, line 10 to line 15:

~~Flavored tobacco product" means any tobacco product that contains a constituent that imparts a characterizing flavor.7 but does not include any product that has received a marketing order or other authorization the United States Food and Drug Administration pursuant to title 21 United States Code section 387j.~~

Sincerely,

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[Note: Representative Yamane also submitted testimony of the Department of the Attorney General dated April 1, 2022, which can be found on the [capitol.hawaii.gov](http://capitol.hawaii.gov) website in the 2022 measure status for H.B. No. 1570, pages 7 and 8 of the testimony packet HB1570\_SD1\_TESTIMONY\_CPN-WAM\_04-01-22\_.PDF]

Representative Perruso rose to speak in support of the measure with reservations, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I wanted to say that I stand with reservations, support with reservations. And I wanted to say that it's really important that we work on this issue. This has been a top priority of the Keiki Caucus for years now. And I really appreciate the work of my colleague in this area. He's very passionate, dogged, and single minded, in fact. Those are compliments.

"I think that this exemption is an almost fatal flaw and I'm deeply worried about it. And if not for the commitment of my colleague to continue to work on this measure, and my understanding of the strength and the passion of our advocates, and I know that they will also continue to work to eliminate this exemption, I would be voting in opposition. But I have faith in the process and that we're going to continue to fight for a flavor ban."

Representative Ganaden rose to speak in opposition to the measure, stating:

"No vote, brief comment. As noted by the Office of the Attorney General, we still have yet to define vaping itself. I think that this bill has so many issues that we need to return next year with a better draft. Thank you."

Representative Matayoshi rose to speak in support of the measure, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. It seems like we're all in agreement that vaping for minors especially is bad. It seems like we're all in agreement that Hawaii is one of the top in the nation in terms of minors vaping. And it seems like we're all in agreement that flavored vaping targets these minors and is creating an epidemic of massive proportions that my generation, my kid's generations, are going to have to deal with. There is no real debate or room for disagreement that nicotine is a highly addictive substance. And it seems like we're all in agreement that we need some kind of control over it.

"Unfortunately, there really is no regulation on vaping right now. And that's what I want everyone to understand, we are at zero right now. We are at the floor right now. We have nothing protecting our kids right now from flavored vaping products. And although this bill does have an exemption that I did not put in, that I would love to have taken out, it's better than nothing. And even if this exemption is opened up as wide as possible and the FDA starts willy-nilly approving applications, we're going to be at the same place that we're at right now.

"So, the thought that there are thousands of potential products that might be approved by the FDA at some point in the future, that's a red herring. We've got nothing right now, we're allowing all the vaping products on the market right now. And I don't understand why certain organizations are against any kind of forward progress on this issue. We have tried for years in this chamber to pass any kind of flavored vaping ban or restriction or legislation. And we stand here right now, hopefully about to pass something, hopefully about to give our kids some kind of hope that they don't have to be addicted to nicotine for the rest of their lives.

"It baffles me that we are balking at an exemption that is, to me, a phantom exemption. If you look at the PMTA process, it's quite difficult. There are a number of different things and loopholes that companies have to jump through that, does it benefit the health in a greater degree than it hurts it and so on and so forth. There's a reason that only a handful of products have been approved so far.

"And if you actually read the email that was sent to us, the examples that were being given are a certain kind of flavored pipe tobacco, a certain kind of chewing tobacco, a certain kind of peach flavored cigar. These are not the kinds of things we're trying to stop here. I believe there's only one vaping product or maybe two that have actually made it through this process. What this is going to do is it's going to take out nearly all of the flavored vaping products off the market in one fell swoop in Hawaii. That is the kind of progress I need. That's the kind of progress we need, honestly.

"You're right, this bill is not perfect. It's not going to get rid of 100% of all flavored vaping products. It's not going to somehow prevent any kind of flavored vaping products from making it to the black market. This is not going to prevent every single child in Hawaii from flavored vaping ever. That would be a miracle, I've never seen a bill written as such. But what it will do is it will get rid of the flavored vaping products in Foodland. It'll get

rid of the flavored vaping products in Longs. It'll get rid of the vape shops that are selling legal products to people over 21 who are then turning around and selling these products on Instagram, on Facebook, and so on and so forth. It'll make flavored vaping products much more expensive on the black market, or hopefully restrict their access at all, and at least make them more expensive so that kids can't afford these.

"This is forward progress on this issue. I do not want to start from ground zero again next year. I think we need to take what we've got and work on it next year. So, I really appreciate all your support and thank you to the Speaker for bringing this motion back for consideration. But please, please, let's make progress on this issue and not start from the starting line again next year. Thank you."

Representative Tam rose to speak in support of the measure with reservations, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. With reservations. This bill is definitely slightly flawed. However, I believe that it will help us move the needle when it comes to fighting this epidemic. So, I just want to express these reservations and to express my commitment to removing that exemption as we move into next year. Thank you."

Representative Takumi rose and asked that the Clerk record a no vote for him, and the Chair "so ordered."

Representative Tokioka rose to speak in opposition to the measure, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. In opposition. I'd also like to ask for a point of information, Mr. Speaker. Because one of the things that has not been discussed with this bill is it's not on the current Order of the Day. And I know technically we can do this, but people are watching us. So, my point of information, Mr. Speaker, is could we have waited till *sine die* to vote on this bill and put it on the Order of the Day, and people in the general public could have seen what we're going to be voting on this bill on *sine die*?"

At 1:42 p.m., the Chair declared a recess subject to the call of the Chair.

The House of Representatives reconvened at 1:44 p.m.

Representative Tokioka continued, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I do know the technical rule, Mr. Speaker. And thank you for the clarification, Majority Leader. But I'm sure some people on this body are going to get calls from both sides. And I wanted to address that too. A lot of times we say, when you pass a bill and not many sides agree, it's a good bill. In this bill, all the sides don't agree and it's a bad bill.

"So, I want to insert the floor speech of the Health Chair. Because none of us, there is absolutely not one of us on this floor that supports kids getting flavored vapes as products to vape. None of us support that. But we got to come up with a better bill. And I just wanted to share my concerns about the process because I know we can do it like this, but it would have been better if we did it on *sine die*, because I know we're going to be passing other bills on *sine die*. So, for that, I just wanted to state my opposition to this bill. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

Representative Quinlan rose in support of the measure with reservations and asked that the remarks of Representative Yamane be entered into the Journal as his own, and the Chair "so ordered." (By reference only.)

Representative Gates rose to speak in opposition to the measure, stating:

"Mr. Speaker, in opposition. I believe, as the Chairman on the Committee on Health stated, we here as a body do not support any youth vaping, whether it's flavored or non-flavored. And I think that'd be the same for flavored alcohol as well, we don't support our kids drinking flavored alcohol as well but it's okay for our adults to use it in our current laws as of right now. And I support the intent of the measure and I want to thank the author for all his hard work. As I know, this has been a project he's been working on for quite some time.

"But my opposition rises because I don't think that prohibition will work. As we look at the history of prohibition, whether it's alcohol or fireworks, in Hawaii we still find access to it. And again, that's why I rise today, because I feel like with this flavor ban, what we'll see is an explosion in the

black market. Because as we know, kids are not purchasing these flavored vapes from retail locations that are legal to sell them, they're purchasing it on online, through a friend.

"And I challenge our members to go on Facebook, go on Instagram, type in flavor bars. You'll see there's over a dozen sellers of these flavor bars. And that speaks to the need for enforcement and making sure that we have the capability to enforce these types of behaviors and these illegal sales that are happening on the black market. And I feel like if there was somewhat of a tax on this flavored e-cigarettes or vapes in general, that that money could be used to provide the resources and funding needed to curb this type of behavior that we're seeing in our youth across the state.

"On top of that, Mr. Speaker, the federal government is going through a rulemaking process to establish regulations on flavored e-cigarettes and that we should allow for the federal government to supersede us with that, because that will also put Hawaii on an even playing field with the rest of the nation. Because what I can foresee, too, is that there's going to be other states that will continue to sell flavored vapes, as we ban ours, and will be importing them into our marketplace as well.

"On top of that, we collect almost \$9 to \$10 million in tax revenues from flavored vapes and e-cigarettes combined. That could be, again, used for curbing this type of behavior. And my goal is to find something meaningful that will actually solve the issue of the youth vaping epidemic.

"Mr. Speaker, I think that we should let the problem pay for the solution by taxing these types of products and making sure that also the over 500 retail establishments and 1,000-plus jobs aren't lost in July. Because when this bill is enacted on July 1st, essentially all vape shops across the state will no longer exist. And all those jobs, all those in unemployment, and people are going to be struggling to find jobs, and that would be something I'd hate to see, Mr. Speaker.

"Again, my point is that we are banning these products from, not just the youth which aren't able to purchase it at retail locations, but from the adults. And I feel like the adults that are legally purchasing them will influx into the black market and we'll be spending money on trying to catch people on the black market selling it when we could do better regulation and come up with a better bill. To conclude, Mr. Speaker, I would ask that I can adopt the words of the Health Chair as my own inserted into the Journal. Thank you, Mr. Speaker," and the Chair "so ordered." (By reference only.)

Representative Okimoto rose in opposition to the measure and asked that the remarks of Representatives Yamane and Tokioka be entered into the Journal as her own, and the Chair "so ordered." (By reference only.)

Representative Aquino rose and asked that the Clerk record an aye vote with reservations for him, and the Chair "so ordered."

Representative Har rose in opposition to the measure and asked that the remarks of Representatives Kapela and Yamane be entered into the Journal as her own, and the Chair "so ordered." (By reference only.)

Representative D. Kobayashi rose to speak in opposition to the measure, stating:

"In opposition. I'd like to take the words of the Representative from Waianae as well. And this is really no different than what we're looking at with the regulation for alcohol, strip clubs, anything else where you have to show an ID and be 21. It is illegal to purchase any vape product without an ID if you're 21. So, we're not banning all alcohol products or any other adult only product. So, we need a little consistency on this. Thank you," and the Chair "so ordered." (By reference only.)

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and H.B. No. 1570, HD 1, SD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE YOUTH VAPING EPIDEMIC," passed Final Reading by a vote of 36 ayes to 15 noes, with Representatives Aquino, Perruso, Quinlan, Tam, Wildberger, and Yamane voting aye with reservations, and with Representatives Costales, Ganaden, Gates, Har, Holt, Kapela, D. Kobayashi, Kong, Matsumoto, McDermott, McKelvey, Okimoto, Takumi, Todd, and Tokioka voting no.

#### H.B. No. 2088, HD 3, SD 2:

On motion by Representative Belatti, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, H.B. No. 2088, HD 3, SD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FINANCING," passed Final Reading by a vote of 51 ayes.

At 1:52 p.m., the Chair noted that the following bills passed Final Reading:

H.B. No. 1570, HD 1, SD 2

H.B. No. 2088, HD 3, SD 2

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Representative Morikawa: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. On this momentous day many, many years ago, our colleague from Hilo was born. I'd like to wish a happy birthday to the Labor & Tourism Chair. Thank you."

Representative Ward: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. This announcement is a friendly reminder. And as we know, the war in Ukraine rages on. And I know we've been preoccupied with preparing for today and all the speeches that have to be made. I just have a friendly reminder. We are extending the deadline to sign the commendation for President Zelensky and the Ukrainian people for the bravery and the stand that they're taking. And I know eventually they will have refugees on our shores, Mr. Speaker. And when they do, we can meet them and say, we sent you accommodation for the brave stand that you've taken. So, with that, Mr. Speaker, I encourage everybody to have a vote of empathy by signing on and just letting them know that we're with them, even though we are far, far away. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

Representative Branco: "Mr. Speaker, I rise to request a moment of silence. We received news that Secretary Norman Mineta passed away earlier today. So, Secretary Mineta was a true patriot, a statesman. We look around here and we look how diverse our legislature is. But for him being the first Japanese American from the 48 contiguous continental United States, he trail blazed for many of us to come into elected office, especially for us from the AANHPI community. And also, to recognize in his legacy that he not only served in Republican and Democratic administrations. So, I just would request a moment of silence for this true statesman and patriot. *Mahalo.*"

Speaker Saiki: "Okay, we'll observe a moment of silence at the appropriate time."

#### ADJOURNMENT

At 1:55 p.m., on motion by Representative Morikawa, seconded by Representative Matsumoto and carried, the House of Representatives adjourned until 10:00 a.m. Thursday, May 5, 2022. (Representatives Quinlan and Takayama were excused.)

#### HOUSE COMMUNICATIONS

House Communication dated May 3, 2022, from Brian L. Takeshita, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, to the Honorable President and members of the Senate, informing the Senate that the House has this day passed the following bills on Final Reading:

H.B. No. 137, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1

H.B. No. 871, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1

H.B. No. 956, HD 1, SD 2, CD 1

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House Communication dated May 3, 2022, from Brian L. Takeshita, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, to the Honorable President and members of the Senate, informing the Senate that the House has reconsidered its action taken in disagreeing to the amendments made by the Senate on April 14, 2022, has agreed to the amendments, and has passed the following House Bill on Final Reading:

H.B. No. 1570, HD 1, SD 2

House Communication dated May 3, 2022, from Brian L. Takeshita, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, to the Honorable President and members of the Senate, informing the Senate that the House has reconsidered its action taken in disagreeing to the amendments made by the Senate on April 12, 2022, has agreed to the amendments, and has passed the following House Bill on Final Reading:

H.B. No. 2088, HD 3, SD 2

House Communication dated May 3, 2022, from Brian L. Takeshita, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, to the Honorable President and members of the Senate, informing the Senate that the House has this day agreed to the amendments made by the Senate and passed the following House Bills on Final Reading:

H.B. No. 980, HD 1, SD 2  
 H.B. No. 986, HD 1, SD 2  
 H.B. No. 987, HD 1, SD 1  
 H.B. No. 1411, HD 2, SD 1  
 H.B. No. 1579, HD 2, SD 2  
 H.B. No. 1681, HD 2, SD 1  
 H.B. No. 1705, HD 1, SD 1  
 H.B. No. 1758, HD 2, SD 2  
 H.B. No. 1829, HD 2, SD 2  
 H.B. No. 1891, HD 1, SD 1  
 H.B. No. 1894, HD 3, SD 2  
 H.B. No. 2026, HD 2, SD 1  
 H.B. No. 2049, SD 1  
 H.B. No. 2112, HD 1, SD 1  
 H.B. No. 2141, HD 1, SD 2  
 H.B. No. 2179, HD 1, SD 1  
 H.B. No. 2233, HD 1, SD 2  
 H.B. No. 2248, HD 1, SD 2  
 H.B. No. 2515, HD 2, SD 2

House Communication dated May 3, 2022, from Brian L. Takeshita, Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, to the Honorable President and members of the Senate, informing the Senate that the House has this day agreed to the amendments made by the Senate and passed the following House Bill on Final Reading:

H.B. No. 1575, HD 2, SD 2