

FIFTY-SECOND DAY

Wednesday, April 19, 2023

The House of Representatives of the Thirty-Second Legislature of the State of Hawai'i, Regular Session of 2023, convened at 11:33 a.m., with Vice Speaker Ilagan presiding.

The invocation was delivered by Representative Micah P.K. Aiu, after which the Roll was called showing all members present with the exception of Representatives Kapela, Lowen, Nakashima, Nishimoto, Ward, and Woodson, who were excused.

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

GOVERNOR'S MESSAGES

The following message from the Governor (Gov. Msg. No. 7) was received and announced by the Clerk and was placed on file:

Gov. Msg. No. 7, dated April 18, 2023, informing the House that an agreement has been reached concerning Hawai'i Firefighters Association's Collective Bargaining Unit 11 for the re-opener for Employer-Union Trust Fund contribution amounts on April 12, 2023, and transmitting a proposed H.B. No. 1010, HD 1, SD 1, CD 1, to fund the award.

SENATE COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications from the Senate (Sen. Com. Nos. 894 through 904) were received and announced by the Clerk:

Sen. Com. No. 894, transmitting H.C.R. No. 21, HD 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU TO REMOVE THE OCEAN SAFETY AND LIFEGUARD SERVICES DIVISION FROM THE EMERGENCY SERVICES DEPARTMENT AND ESTABLISH IT AS A NEW, SEPARATE DEPARTMENT," which was adopted by the Senate on April 18, 2023.

Sen. Com. No. 895, transmitting H.C.R. No. 50, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO PROVIDE UPDATED STATISTICS AND FACTS RELATING TO THE DECLINE OF PALILA ON MAUNA KEA AND INVESTIGATE THE FACTORS CAUSING THE DECLINE OF THE PALILA POPULATION," which was adopted by the Senate on April 18, 2023.

Sen. Com. No. 896, transmitting H.C.R. No. 59, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO PRIORITIZE FUNDING FOR THE ENGLISH LEARNER PROGRAM IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS TO ADDRESS THE INCREASING POPULATION OF ENGLISH LEARNER STUDENTS," which was adopted by the Senate on April 18, 2023.

Sen. Com. No. 897, transmitting H.C.R. No. 102, HD 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII WATER RESOURCES RESEARCH CENTER TO CONDUCT A FEASIBILITY STUDY ON NEW TECHNOLOGIES RELATED TO CESSPOOL WATER REMEDIATION, WHICH MAY INCLUDE ORGANIC BIODEGRADABLE WATER CLARIFIERS," which was adopted by the Senate on April 18, 2023.

Sen. Com. No. 898, transmitting H.C.R. No. 73, HD 1, SD 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE FORMATION OF A WORKING GROUP TO CREATE A PLAN REGARDING THE RETURN OF CULTURAL ARTIFACTS," which was adopted by the Senate on April 18, 2023.

Sen. Com. No. 899, dated April 18, 2023, informing the House that the Senate has disagreed to the amendments proposed by the House on the following Senate Concurrent Resolutions:

S.C.R. No. 35, HD 1
S.C.R. No. 55, HD 1
S.C.R. No. 219, SD 1, HD 1

Sen. Com. No. 900, dated April 18, 2023, informing the House that the President has appointed as conferees on the part of the Senate, for the consideration of amendments proposed by the Senate to the following House Bills:

H.B. No. 110, HD 1, SD 1	Lee, Chair; Kanuha, Co-Chair; Keohokalole
H.B. No. 201, HD 2, SD 1	Inouye, Chair; Rhoads, Co-Chair; Elefante
H.B. No. 346, HD 2, SD 2	Lee, Chair; Wakai/Aquino, Co-Chairs
H.B. No. 660, HD 1, SD 2	Aquino, Chair; Keith-Agaran, Co-Chair; Moriwaki
H.B. No. 710, HD 1, SD 2	McKelvey, Chair; Rhoads, Co-Chair; Wakai, Fevella
H.B. No. 712, HD 1, SD 1	McKelvey, Chair; Keohokalole/Elefante, Co-Chairs; Fevella
H.B. No. 884, HD 1, SD 2	Keohokalole, Chair; Elefante, Co-Chair; Awa
H.B. No. 1027, HD 2, SD 1	Keohokalole, Chair; Fukunaga, Awa
H.B. No. 1091, HD 2, SD 2	Inouye, Chair; Keohokalole, Co-Chair; Elefante
H.B. No. 1113, HD 1, SD 1	Lee, Chair; Kanuha, Co-Chair; Gabbard
H.B. No. 1255, HD 1, SD 1	Aquino, Chair; Kanuha, Co-Chair; Moriwaki

Sen. Com. No. 901, dated April 18, 2023, informing the House that the President has appointed as conferees on the part of the Senate, for the consideration of amendments proposed by the House to the following Senate Bills:

S.B. No. 316, HD 2	Gabbard, Chair; San Buenaventura, Co-Chair; Richards
S.B. No. 504, SD 1, HD 3	Gabbard, Chair; Keohokalole, Co-Chair; Richards
S.B. No. 655, SD 1, HD 2	Gabbard, Chair; Wakai/Rhoads, Co-Chairs; Richards
S.B. No. 691, SD 2, HD 2	DeCoite, Chair; Keohokalole, Co-Chair; Kanuha
S.B. No. 732, SD 2, HD 1	Shimabukuro, Chair; Kanuha, Co-Chair; Ihara
S.B. No. 735, SD 1, HD 2	Inouye, Chair; Shimabukuro/Gabbard, Co-Chairs
S.B. No. 775, SD 1, HD 2	Inouye, Chair; Gabbard, Co-Chair; Elefante
S.B. No. 797, SD 1, HD 2	Keohokalole, Chair; McKelvey, Awa
S.B. No. 798, SD 1, HD 1	Inouye, Chair; Keohokalole/Rhoads, Co-Chairs
S.B. No. 799, SD 1, HD 2	Keohokalole, Chair; McKelvey, Awa
S.B. No. 855, SD 1, HD 2	Keohokalole, Chair; Fukunaga, Awa
S.B. No. 930, SD 1, HD 2	Keohokalole, Chair; Richards, Awa
S.B. No. 966, HD 1	Gabbard, Chair; Rhoads, Co-Chair; DeCoite

S.B. No. 1138, McKelvey, Chair; Elefante, Co-Chair; HD 2 Awa

S.B. No. 1196, McKelvey, Chair; Rhoads, Co-Chair; SD 1, HD 1 Awa

S.B. No. 1327, Keohokalole, Chair; SD 1, HD 1 Richards, Awa

S.B. No. 1381, Keohokalole, Chair; San Buenaventura, Co-Chair; SD 1, HD 1 Awa

S.B. No. 1468, Keohokalole, Chair; Rhoads, Co-Chair; SD 2, HD 2 Richards

S.B. No. 1502, Lee, Chair; Keohokalole, Co-Chair; SD 2, HD 2 Inouye

S.B. No. 1520, DeCoite, Chair; SD 2, HD 1 Kim/Wakai, Co-Chairs

Sen. Com. No. 902, dated April 18, 2023, informing the House that the Senate has reconsidered its action taken on April 4, 2023 in disagreeing to the amendments proposed by the House to the following Senate Bills and has moved to agree to the amendments, and that said bills have this day passed Final Reading:

S.B. No. 45, SD 1, HD 2
 S.B. No. 406, SD 1, HD 2
 S.B. No. 415, SD 2, HD 2
 S.B. No. 671, SD 1, HD 1
 S.B. No. 989, HD 2
 S.B. No. 1173, SD 1, HD 2
 S.B. No. 1505, SD 2, HD 2

Sen. Com. No. 903, dated April 18, 2023, informing the House that the President has appointed as conferees on the part of the Senate, for the consideration of amendments proposed by the Senate to the following House Bills:

H.B. No. 306, Gabbard, Chair; Kim/Aquino, Co-Chairs; HD 2, SD 1 Richards

H.B. No. 307, Gabbard, Chair; Aquino, Co-Chair; HD 1, SD 1 Richards

H.B. No. 382, Rhoads, Chair; Dela Cruz, Co-Chair; HD 1, SD 3 Awa

H.B. No. 451, Wakai, Chair; Shimabukuro, Co-Chair; HD 1, SD 1 Elefante

H.B. No. 606, Gabbard, Chair; Aquino, Co-Chair; HD 1, SD 1 Richards

H.B. No. 607, Gabbard, Chair; Aquino, Co-Chair; HD 2, SD 2 Rhoads

H.B. No. 609, Gabbard, Chair; Aquino, Co-Chair; HD 2, SD 1 Richards

H.B. No. 694, Gabbard, Chair; Kim/Aquino, Co-Chairs; HD 1, SD 1 DeCoite

H.B. No. 933, Keohokalole, Chair; Lee, Co-Chair; HD 2, SD 1 Awa

H.B. No. 964, McKelvey, Chair; Keith-Agaran, Co-Chair; HD 1, SD 2 Fevella

H.B. No. 971, Gabbard, Chair; Aquino, Co-Chair; HD 2, SD 1 Richards

H.B. No. 972, Gabbard, Chair; Aquino, Co-Chair; HD 1, SD 1 Richards

H.B. No. 973, Gabbard, Chair; Keohokalole, Co-Chair; HD 2, SD 1 Richards

H.B. No. 974, Gabbard, Chair; Aquino, Co-Chair; HD 1, SD 1 Richards

H.B. No. 995, Gabbard, Chair; Inouye/Kim, Co-Chairs; HD 2, SD 1 Richards

H.B. No. 1033, Wakai, Chair; Inouye, Co-Chair; HD 1, SD 1 Elefante

H.B. No. 1037, Wakai, Chair; McKelvey/Inouye, Co-Chairs; HD 2, SD 1 Elefante

H.B. No. 1149, Gabbard, Chair; Aquino, Co-Chair; HD 2, SD 1 Richards

H.B. No. 1184, McKelvey, Chair; Moriwaki, Co-Chair; HD 1, SD 1 Fevella

H.B. No. 1248, Gabbard, Chair; Aquino, Co-Chair; HD 1, SD 1 Richards

H.B. No. 1250, Keohokalole, Chair; Gabbard/Aquino, Co-Chairs; HD 1, SD 1 Richards, Awa

H.B. No. 1359, Gabbard, Chair; HD 2, SD 2 Keohokalole/Aquino/Rhoads, Co-Chairs

H.B. No. 1382, Gabbard, Chair; Aquino, Co-Chair; HD 2, SD 1 Richards

H.B. No. 1396, Gabbard, Chair; HD 2, SD 2 Wakai/Aquino, Co-Chairs

H.B. No. 1508, Shimabukuro, Chair; Kanuha, Co-Chair; HD 1, SD 1 Keohokalole

Sen. Com. No. 904, dated April 18, 2023, informing the House that the President has appointed as conferees on the part of the Senate, for the consideration of amendments proposed by the House to the following Senate Bills:

S.B. No. 86, Gabbard, Chair; Inouye/Aquino, Co-Chairs; SD 1, HD 1 Richards

S.B. No. 193, Wakai, Chair; Inouye/Shimabukuro, Co-Chairs; SD 1, HD 1 Elefante

S.B. No. 291, McKelvey, Chair; Moriwaki, Co-Chair; SD 2, HD 1 Fevella

S.B. No. 296, McKelvey, Chair; Moriwaki, Co-Chair; SD 2, HD 1 Fevella

S.B. No. 299, McKelvey, Chair; Moriwaki, Co-Chair; SD 2, HD 1 Fevella

S.B. No. 306, McKelvey, Chair; Gabbard/Inouye, Co-Chairs; SD 1, HD 1 Elefante, Awa

S.B. No. 393, Keohokalole, Chair; Moriwaki, Co-Chair; SD 1, HD 3 Fevella

S.B. No. 445, Gabbard, Chair; Elefante/Aquino, Co-Chairs; SD 2, HD 2 Richards

S.B. No. 459, DeCoite, Chair; SD 2, HD 1 Wakai/Keohokalole, Co-Chairs

S.B. No. 710, Wakai, Chair; Kim/Moriwaki, Co-Chairs; SD 2, HD 1 Elefante

S.B. No. 712, Wakai, Chair; Kim/Moriwaki, Co-Chairs; SD 2, HD 1 Elefante

S.B. No. 782, Gabbard, Chair; Aquino, Co-Chair; SD 2, HD 1 DeCoite

S.B. No. 814, McKelvey, Chair; Aquino, Co-Chair; SD 2, HD 2 Fevella

S.B. No. 818, Gabbard, Chair; Kim/Aquino, Co-Chairs; SD 1, HD 2 Rhoads

S.B. No. 821, Wakai, Chair; Kidani, Co-Chair; SD 1, HD 2 Elefante

S.B. No. 830, SD 2, HD 1	Kidani, Chair; Shimabukuro, Co-Chair; Kanuha	H.B. No. 1010, HD 1, SD 1	Matayoshi/Garrett, Co-Chrs.; Alcos
S.B. No. 941, SD 2, HD 1	Kidani, Chair; Wakai, Co-Chair; Kanuha		
S.B. No. 945, SD 2, HD 2	Keohokalole, Chair; Wakai, Co-Chair; Fevella		
S.B. No. 971, SD 2, HD 2	Kidani, Chair; Lee, Co-Chair; Kanuha		
S.B. No. 1044, SD 2, HD 2	Kidani, Chair; Shimabukuro, Co-Chair; Kanuha		
S.B. No. 1129, SD 2, HD 2	McKelvey, Chair; Kim, Co-Chair; Fevella		
S.B. No. 1135, HD 2	McKelvey, Chair; Keohokalole, Co-Chair; Awa		
S.B. No. 1232, SD 1, HD 1	Kidani, Chair; Shimabukuro, Co-Chair; Richards		
S.B. No. 1277, SD 2, HD 2	Rhoads, Chair; Keith-Agaran, Co-Chair; Awa		
S.B. No. 1332, SD 1, HD 2	Wakai, Chair; Kidani, Co-Chair; Elefante		
S.B. No. 1417, SD 1, HD 1	Gabbard, Chair; Inouye/Aquino, Co-Chairs; DeCoite		
S.B. No. 1488, SD 2, HD 3	Gabbard, Chair; Kim/Aquino, Co-Chairs; Richards		
S.B. No. 1527, SD 2, HD 1	Wakai, Chair; San Buenaventura/Inouye, Co-Chairs; Elefante		
S.B. No. 1534, SD 2, HD 3	Lee, Chair; DeCoite, Co-Chair; Keohokalole		
S.B. No. 1552, SD 2, HD 1	Gabbard, Chair; Aquino, Co-Chair; DeCoite		
S.B. No. 1588, SD 2, HD 2	Gabbard, Chair; Aquino, Co-Chair; Richards		

ORDER OF THE DAY

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Representative Tam, for the Committee on Culture, Arts & International Affairs, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2234) recommending that S.C.R. No. 72 be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.C.R. No. 72, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A HAWAII-TAIWAN FRIENDSHIP TASKFORCE TO EXPLORE WAYS TO STRENGTHEN, IMPROVE, AND EXPAND ECONOMIC, CULTURAL, AND EDUCATIONAL RELATIONS BETWEEN HAWAII AND TAIWAN," was adopted, with Representatives Kapela, Lowen, Nakashima, Nishimoto, Ward, and Woodson being excused.

ADJOURNMENT

At 11:38 a.m., on motion by Representative Morikawa, seconded by Representative Garcia and carried, the House of Representatives adjourned until 11:30 a.m. tomorrow, Thursday, April 20, 2023. (Representatives Kapela, Lowen, Nakashima, Nishimoto, Ward, and Woodson were excused.)

HOUSE COMMUNICATIONS

House Communication dated April 19, 2023, 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 Speaker has this day appointed as conferees on the part of the House for the consideration of amendments proposed by the Senate to the following House Bill: