

TENTH DAY

Thursday, February 1, 2024

The House of Representatives of the Thirty-Second Legislature of the State of Hawai'i, Regular Session of 2024, convened at 12:02 p.m., with Vice Speaker Ilagan presiding.

The invocation was delivered by Representative Jeanne Kapela, after which the Roll was called showing all members present with the exception of Representatives Alcos and Kitagawa, who were excused.

On motion by Representative Morikawa, seconded by Representative Garcia and carried, reading of the Journal was dispensed with and the Journals of the First, Second, and Third Days were approved. (Representatives Alcos, Ichiyama, Kitagawa, and Nishimoto were excused.)

SENATE COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications from the Senate (Sen. Com. Nos. 3 and 4) were received and announced by the Clerk:

Sen. Com. No. 3, transmitting S.B. No. 2213, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS," which passed Third Reading in the Senate on January 31, 2024.

Sen. Com. No. 4, transmitting S.B. No. 2217, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO REPORTING PERIODS," which passed Third Reading in the Senate on January 31, 2024.

On motion by Representative Morikawa, seconded by Representative Garcia and carried, the following Senate Bills passed First Reading by title and further action was deferred: (Representatives Alcos, Ichiyama, and Kitagawa were excused.)

S.B. No. 2213
S.B. No. 2217

INTRODUCTIONS

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

Representative Lamosao introduced Waipahu High School Students who have received the Seal of Bilingualism: Cheydon Agos, Joana Mae Ballelos, Ericka Faye Cadacio, Pauleen Keith Fiiguracion, Rhaine Nicole Laeno, Deja Lei Pacada, and Richelle Valera.

Representative Chun introduced advocates promoting language access from Pacific Gateway Center, Language Services Hawai'i, Gemma's Consulting, NAFCON, Hawai'i Friends of Civil Rights, NHPI3R, Speak Out and Up Law, Hawai'i Worker's Center, Roots Reborn, Hawai'i Coalition for Immigrant Rights, Helping Hands Hawai'i, the Legal Clinic, Child and Family Service, Hawai'i Alliance of Pacific Islanders, Waipahu Safe Haven, and Waipahu High School.

Representative Garcia introduced Randy Awo, Hawaiian Homes Commissioner; Patty Kahanamoku-Teruya, former Hawaiian Homes Commissioner; and his volunteer, Maysana Aldeguer.

Representative Kila introduced Patty Kahanamoku-Teruya, former chair, Nānākuli-Mā'ili Neighborhood Board.

Representative Kapela introduced her staff: Kris Coffield, Ruby Jordan, and Natalie Ovena; and her friend, Liza Ryan Gill.

Representative Ward introduced Dr. Amy Agbayani.

Representative Ganaden introduced Bettina Mok, executive director, The Legal Clinic; and Aphirak Bamrungruan, executive director, Hawai'i State Office of Language Access.

ORDER OF THE DAY

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Representative Quinlan, for the Committee on Tourism, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1-24) recommending that H.B. No. 1990, as

amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

Representative Nakamura moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 1990, HD 1 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Pierick rose and asked that the Clerk record a no vote for him, 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. 1990, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TRAVEL INSURANCE," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, with Representative Pierick voting no, and with Representatives Alcos and Kitagawa being excused.

Representative Quinlan, for the Committee on Tourism, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 2-24) recommending that H.B. No. 2606, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2606, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TRANSIENT ACCOMMODATIONS," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, with Representatives Alcos and Kitagawa being excused.

Representative Quinlan, for the Committee on Tourism, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 3-24) recommending that H.B. No. 1518, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1518, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII TOURISM AUTHORITY," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, with Representatives Alcos and Kitagawa being excused.

Representative Matayoshi, for the Committee on Labor & Government Operations, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 4-24) recommending that H.B. No. 1556, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1556, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO STATE EMPLOYMENT," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Alcos and Kitagawa being excused.

Representative Matayoshi, for the Committee on Labor & Government Operations, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 5-24) recommending that H.B. No. 1943, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1943, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH INSURANCE," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, with Representatives Alcos and Kitagawa being excused.

Representative Matayoshi, for the Committee on Labor & Government Operations, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 6-24) recommending that H.B. No. 1639, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1639, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO

THE HAWAII EMPLOYER-UNION HEALTH BENEFITS TRUST FUND BASE COMPOSITE MONTHLY CONTRIBUTION," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Finance, with Representatives Alcos and Kitagawa being excused.

Representative Matayoshi, for the Committee on Labor & Government Operations, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 7-24) recommending that H.B. No. 2552, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 2552, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EMPLOYEE BENEFITS," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, with Representatives Alcos and Kitagawa being excused.

Representative Matayoshi, for the Committee on Labor & Government Operations, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 8-24) recommending that H.B. No. 1643, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.B. No. 1643, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO INDEBTEDNESS," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, with Representatives Alcos and Kitagawa being excused.

Representative Matayoshi, for the Committee on Labor & Government Operations, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 9-24) recommending that H.B. No. 1673, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce.

Representative Nakamura moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.B. No. 1673, HD 1 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Garcia rose and asked that the Clerk record an aye vote with reservations for him, 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. 1673, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO WORKERS' COMPENSATION," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, with Representative Garcia voting aye with reservations, and with Representatives Alcos and Kitagawa being excused.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Representative Chun: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I just wanted to share with the body that all our advocates up there for promoting language access, they're having a press conference at 1:00 p.m. in the Rotunda. So, if you're available, please feel free to join them. Thank you."

COMMITTEE REASSIGNMENTS

The following measures were re-referred to committee by the Speaker:

H.B.

Nos. Re-referred to:

- 1848 Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, then to the Committee on Finance
- 1883 Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, then to the Committee on Finance
- 1901 Committee on Water & Land, then to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, then to the Committee on Finance
- 2411 Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, then to the Committee on Finance

2429 Jointly to the Committee on Water & Land and the Committee on Human Services, then to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, then to the Committee on Finance

2478 Committee on Water & Land, then to the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, then to the Committee on Finance

2499 Committee on Labor & Government Operations, then to the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, then to the Committee on Finance

ADJOURNMENT

At 12:15 p.m., on motion by Representative Morikawa, seconded by Representative Garcia and carried, the House of Representatives adjourned until noon tomorrow, Friday, February 2, 2024. (Representatives Alcos, Hashem, and Kitagawa were excused.)