FORTY-FIFTH DAY

Thursday, April 4, 2024

The House of Representatives of the Thirty-Second Legislature of the State of Hawai'i, Regular Session of 2024, convened at 12:01 p.m., with Vice Speaker Ilagan presiding.

The invocation was delivered by Representative Dee Morikawa, after which the Roll was called showing all members present with the exception of Representatives Kitagawa, Kobayashi, and Souza, who were excused.

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

SENATE COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications from the Senate (Sen. Com. Nos. 356 through 365) were received and announced by the Clerk:

Sen. Com. No. 356, transmitting S.C.R. No. 6, SD 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION APPROVING THE DEDICATION OF KUKUIA STREET, LAHAINA, HAWAII, TO THE COUNTY OF MAUI," which was adopted by the Senate on April 3, 2024.

Sen. Com. No. 357, transmitting S.C.R. No. 27, SD 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING THE UNITED STATES NAVY TO ERADICATE OCTOCORAL AND OTHER INVASIVE SPECIES FROM PEARL HARBOR," which was adopted by the Senate on April 3, 2024.

Sen. Com. No. 358, transmitting S.C.R. No. 80, SD 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE MEMBERS OF HAWAII'S CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION TO INTRODUCE LEGISLATION TO EXPAND THE NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM TO INCLUDE LAVA AND EARTHQUAKE INSURANCE," which was adopted by the Senate on April 3, 2024.

Sen. Com. No. 359, transmitting S.C.R. No. 87, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF HAWAIIAN HOME LANDS TO ADOPT AND IMPLEMENT A NEIGHBORHOOD SECURITY WATCH IN EACH HOMESTEAD AREA," which was adopted by the Senate on April 3, 2024.

Sen. Com. No. 360, transmitting S.C.R. No. 109, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO ADOPT THE SOCIAL SECURITY 2100 ACT," which was adopted by the Senate on April 3, 2024.

Sen. Com. No. 361, transmitting S.C.R. No. 114, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF HAWAIIAN HOME LANDS TO DISPLAY A PORTRAIT OF PRINCE JONAH KUHIO KALANIANAOLE IN EACH STATE BUILDING, OFFICE, MEETING ROOM, AND WAITING AREA UNDER THE DEPARTMENT'S JURISDICTION," which was adopted by the Senate on April 3, 2024.

Sen. Com. No. 362, transmitting S.C.R. No. 142, SD 1, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO STUDY THE IMPACT OF TEACHER SALARY STEP MOVEMENTS ON SALARY SCHEDULE COMPRESSION," which was adopted by the Senate on April 3, 2024.

Sen. Com. No. 363, transmitting S.C.R. No. 177, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND FINANCE TO WORK WITH THE STATE COUNCIL ON DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES TO ENHANCE THE ABLE SAVINGS PROGRAM BY PROMOTING IT TO ALL INDIVIDUALS WHO MAY QUALIFY," which was adopted by the Senate on April 3, 2024.

Sen. Com. No. 364, transmitting S.C.R. No. 197, entitled: "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING STATE DEPARTMENTS TO REQUIRE HOUSEHOLDS IMPACTED BY THE LAHAINA FIRES TO EXHAUST THEIR INSURANCE POLICIES BEFORE REQUESTING FINANCIAL SUPPORT FROM THE STATE," which was adopted by the Senate on April 3, 2024.

Sen. Com. No. 365, transmitting H.B. No. 1880, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE ELECTORAL COLLEGE," which passed Third Reading in the Senate on April 3, 2024.

INTRODUCTIONS

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

Representative Ward introduced Lieutenant Colonel Timothy Crawley, deputy command chaplain, U.S. Army Pacific; his son, Titus Crawley; Jeff Tullis, area leader, Christian Business Men's Connection; and Kevin Inafuku, board member, Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

Representatives Alcos, Gates, Nishimoto, Kila, Miyake, and Evslin introduced Boys & Girls Club Youth of the Year candidates and finalists and clubhouse staff:

Hale Pono 'Ewa Beach Clubhouse: Melanie McLean and Jianna Johnson; Oscar Harris, club director, and Ian Camit, youth development director;

Wai'anae Clubhouse: Shayda, Cece, and Shaysee; and Kristle Jury-Hale, clubhouse director;

Boys & Girls Club Spalding Teen Center: Amiah Sproat;

Nānākuli Clubhouse: Ladayna Aranas; and Kekoa "Koa" Tupua, clubhouse director;

Boys & Girls Club of Maui: Destinee Dano, development specialist;

Lahaina Clubhouse: Christopher Leslie; his mom, Felicia Moore; and sister, Kameron Leslie;

Central Clubhouse: Hi'ilei Roman;

Ha'ikū Clubhouse: Kiran Fernandez-Iriarte;

Kahekili Clubhouse: Shannon Miline; and

Līhu'e Clubhouse, West Kaua'i Clubhouse, and Kapa'a Clubhouse: David Brahman, Nainoa Hirakane, Joseph Abrew, Jayden Reyes Serquina, Coen Langly, and Tessa De Kuehu Sheldon; and clubhouse staff: Jessica Herman, Bryden Ka'auwai, and Tina Albao.

Representative M. Mizuno introduced from the Adult Foster Homecare Association of Hawai'i: Maribel Tan, president; Imelda Viernes, Noralyn Cansana, and Flordeliza Maga.

Representative Hashem introduced his staff: Jane Taylor and Zachary Ritner, and HSAA staff: Derek Thomas.

At 12:14 p.m., the Chair declared a recess subject to the call of the Chair.

The House of Representatives reconvened at 12:57 p.m.

ORDER OF THE DAY

SUSPENSION OF RULES

On motion by Representative Morikawa, seconded by Representative Garcia and carried, the rules were suspended for the purpose of considering certain Senate Bills for Third Reading by consent calendar. (Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza were excused.)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Representative Nakashima, for the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1598-24) recommending that S.B. No. 3103, SD 2, HD 1, as amended in HD 2, pass Third Reading.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 3103, SD 2, HD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ENERGY," passed Third Reading by a vote of 49 ayes, with Representatives Kitagawa and Souza being excused.

Representative Nakashima, for the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1599-24) recommending that S.B. No. 2476, HD 1, as amended in HD 2, pass Third Reading.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2476, HD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DENTAL HYGIENISTS," passed Third Reading by a vote of 49 ayes, with Representatives Kitagawa and Souza being excused.

Representative Nakashima, for the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1600-24) recommending that S.B. No. 2350, SD 2, HD 1, as amended in HD 2, pass Third Reading.

Representative Nakamura moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that S.B. No. 2350, SD 2, HD 2 pass Third Reading, 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."

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

Representative Ganaden 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 S.B. No. 2350, SD 2, HD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO NOISE POLLUTION," passed Third Reading by a vote of 48 ayes to 1 no, with Representatives Ganaden, Garcia, and Gates voting aye with reservations, with Representative Kila voting no, and with Representatives Kitagawa and Souza being excused.

Representative Nakashima, for the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1601-24) recommending that S.B. No. 2687, SD 1, HD 1, as amended in HD 2, pass Third Reading.

Representative Nakamura moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that S.B. No. 2687, SD 1, HD 2 pass Third Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

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

"Mr. Speaker, in strong support. Wanted to just say a few comments, my first opportunity to speak on this bill. Just wanted to thank the Judiciary chair and CPC chair for moving both measures, Senate and House. This bill would target the spread of deepfakes during an election. And as you all know, with all the benefits of AI, unfortunately, AI also has the ability to not just threaten people's livelihoods as what we've seen with the film and the creative industry, but it can also be used to misrepresent individuals running in an election through the spread of fabricated media. And so deepfakes really are media portraying individuals saying or doing some things that they've never said or done. And so, this bill would help protect the integrity of our elections. For those reasons, I support this measure."

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 S.B. No. 2687, SD 1, HD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS," passed Third Reading by a vote of 49 ayes, with Representative Garcia voting aye with reservations, and with Representatives Kitagawa and Souza being excused.

Representative Nakashima, for the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1602-24) recommending that S.B. No. 2747, SD 2, HD 1, as amended in HD 2, pass Third Reading.

Representative Nakamura moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that S.B. No. 2747, SD 2, HD 2 pass Third Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

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

"Strong reservations, Mr. Speaker. This bill will hurt Kaua'i's aviation tour industry. I received concerns from Kaua'i operators, and I would like to share them for the record. These are quotes. The aviation insurance requirements in this version are not obtainable by any of the nine helicopter and three airplane tour companies on Kaua'i. This bill would cause all of the air tour companies on Kaua'i to cease operations. Approximately 300 Kaua'i residents directly employed by air tour companies would lose their jobs.

"Requiring insurance that is not readily available at a reasonable cost to operators, as well as creating a requirement for air tour operators that are not imposed upon other operators, would be deemed by the FAA to be a violation of FAA grant assurances. The FAA has the exclusive authority to regulate aircraft safety generally. Based upon that authority, the FAA has the exclusive jurisdiction to establish, and actually has established, insurance requirements for operators. The states have no discretion by their regulatory powers to impose higher standards. As a result, the bill is federally preempted.

"Another concern as follows, the House Consumer Protection & Commerce Committee amended SB 2747 to increase the liability insurance requirement for air tour operators to \$20 million per person per incident. Notably, this amendment was not informed by committee-conducted studies or assessments, but rather prompted by the recommendation of a single testimony. It is crucial to highlight that this testimony does not represent the views of the general aviation industry in Hawai'i.

"Mr. Speaker, I'm very concerned about the consequence this version will have, raising the liability insurance requirement from \$1 million to \$20 million. And I am sure that many operators are not aware of the sudden change, because the amount of testimonies we see, from what I saw, were very few. Thank you."

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

"With reservations. Just wanted to adopt the words of the majority floor leader as if they were my own. And also wanted to add that, for a bill that is involved with aircraft and helicopters, that both the Department of Transportation and the attorney general did not weigh in on this bill. Thank you," and the Chair "so ordered." (By reference only.)

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

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

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

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

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Reservations, please, and brief comment. There are concerns about the measure before us because at the beginning of its conception, \$1 million was the first number. There was no issue with some of the number being proposed, because every operator was able to provide coverage and even has coverage as such. The bill's intent is around a 2019 accident in Kailua, but as the measure sits before us now, as previous speakers have mentioned, \$20 million is only applicable and obtainable by one operator.

"I'm concerned that measures like this benefit one single person and operating group, and that will hurt the small operators of helicopters. And I would like to add, the FAA has the exclusive authority to regulate aircraft safety generally. And based on this authority, the FAA has the exclusive jurisdiction to establish this. So as a result, the bill is federally preempted. So, reservations." Representative Matsumoto rose and asked that the Clerk record a no vote for her, and the Chair "so ordered."

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

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

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

Representative Cochran rose and asked that the Clerk record a no vote 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. 2747, SD 2, HD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AIRCRAFT," passed Third Reading by a vote of 40 ayes to 9 noes, with Representatives Amato, Kila, Morikawa, and Nakamura voting aye with reservations, with Representatives Alcos, Cochran, Evslin, Garcia, Kapela, Matsumoto, Miyake, Pierick, and Ward voting no, and with Representatives Kitagawa and Souza being excused.

Representative Nakashima, for the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1603-24) recommending that S.B. No. 2753, HD 1, as amended in HD 2, pass Third Reading.

Representative Nakamura moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that S.B. No. 2753, HD 2 pass Third Reading, 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 S.B. No. 2753, HD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO BUILDING CODES," passed Third Reading by a vote of 47 ayes to 2 noes, with Representatives Garcia and Pierick voting no, and with Representatives Kitagawa and Souza being excused.

At 1:05 p.m., the Chair noted that the following bills passed Third Reading:

S.B. No. 3103, SD 2, HD 2 S.B. No. 2476, HD 2 S.B. No. 2350, SD 2, HD 2 S.B. No. 2687, SD 1, HD 2 S.B. No. 2747, SD 2, HD 2 S.B. No. 2753, HD 2

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented two reports:

(Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1637-24) recommending that H.R. No. 144, HD 1 be adopted; and

(Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1638-24) recommending that H.C.R. No. 165, HD 1 be adopted.

Representative Nakamura moved that the reports of the Committee be adopted, and that H.R. No. 144, HD 1; and H.C.R. No. 165, HD 1 be adopted, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

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

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the reports of the Committee were adopted and H.R. No. 144, HD 1, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT TO CONDUCT A SAMPLE SURVEY OF FOR-PROFIT, NON-PROFIT, AND GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATIONS IN HAWAII THAT HAVE SUCCESSFULLY IMPLEMENTED REMOTE WORK, HYBRID WORK, OR TELEWORK ARRANGEMENTS," was adopted, with Representative Garcia voting aye with reservations, and with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused; and

H.C.R. No. 165, HD 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT TO CONDUCT A SAMPLE SURVEY OF FOR-PROFIT, NON-PROFIT, AND GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATIONS IN HAWAII THAT HAVE SUCCESSFULLY IMPLEMENTED REMOTE WORK, HYBRID WORK, OR TELEWORK ARRANGEMENTS," was adopted, with Representative Garcia voting aye with reservations, and with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1639-24) recommending that H.R. No. 164 be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.R. No. 164, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND TOURISM TO COLLABORATE WITH UNIVERSITIES IN THE STATE TO CONVENE THE HAWAII CREATIVE INNOVATION GROUP," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1640-24) recommending that H.C.R. No. 184 be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.C.R. No. 184, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND TOURISM TO COLLABORATE WITH UNIVERSITIES IN THE STATE TO CONVENE THE HAWAII CREATIVE INNOVATION GROUP," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1641-24) recommending that H.R. No. 166, HD 1 be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.R. No. 166, HD 1, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION URGING THE GOVERNOR, DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, AND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO EXPLORE AVENUES TO ENSURE CONTINUED ACCESS TO AFFORDABLE MEDICATIONS FOR THE STATE'S UNDERSERVED POPULATIONS UNDER THE 340B DRUG PRICING PROGRAM AND URGING HAWAII'S CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION AND RELEVANT FEDERAL AGENCIES TO MONITOR PHARMACEUTICAL COMPANIES AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTIONS TO PROTECT THE INTEGRITY OF THE 340B DRUG PRICING PROGRAM," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1642-24) recommending that H.C.R. No. 186, HD 1 be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and HD 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT H.C.R. No. 186, RESOLUTION URGING THE GOVERNOR, DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, AND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO EXPLORE AVENUES TO ENSURE CONTINUED ACCESS TO AFFORDABLE MEDICATIONS FOR THE STATE'S UNDERSERVED POPULATIONS UNDER THE 340B DRUG PRICING PROGRAM AND URGING HAWAII'S CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION AND RELEVANT AGENCIES TO MONITOR PHARMACEUTICAL FEDERAL COMPANIES AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTIONS TO PROTECT THE INTEGRITY OF THE 340B DRUG PRICING PROGRAM," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1643-24) recommending that H.R. No. 167, HD 1 be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.R. No. 167, HD 1, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU TO CONDUCT A STUDY ON BEST PRACTICES FOR NURSE STAFFING IN HEALTHCARE FACILITIES," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1644-24) recommending that H.C.R. No. 187, HD 1 be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.C.R. No. 187, HD 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU TO CONDUCT A STUDY ON BEST PRACTICES FOR NURSE STAFFING IN HEALTHCARE FACILITIES," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented two reports:

(Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1645-24) recommending that H.R. No. 168 be adopted; and

(Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1646-24) recommending that H.C.R. No. 188 be adopted.

Representative Nakamura moved that the reports of the Committee be adopted, and that H.R. No. 168; and H.C.R. No. 188 be adopted, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

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

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the reports of the Committee were adopted and H.R. No. 168, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO ENSURE THAT SCHOOL LIBRARIES AND SCHOOL LIBRARY MEDIA CENTERS ARE STAFFED WITH LICENSED SCHOOL LIBRARIANS AND LICENSED SCHOOL LIBRARY MEDIA SPECIALISTS," was adopted, with Representative Garcia voting aye with reservations, and with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused; and

H.C.R. No. 188, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO ENSURE THAT SCHOOL LIBRARIES AND SCHOOL LIBRARY MEDIA CENTERS ARE STAFFED WITH LICENSED SCHOOL LIBRARIANS AND LICENSED SCHOOL LIBRARY MEDIA SPECIALISTS," was adopted, with Representative Garcia voting aye with reservations, and with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1647-24) recommending that H.R. No. 73 be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.R. No. 73, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE HAWAII EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY TO INSTALL A NEW EMERGENCY SIREN NEAR THE INTERSECTION OF AUMAKUA STREET AND AUHUHU STREET IN UPPER PACIFIC PALISADES," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1648-24) recommending that H.C.R. No. 87 be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.C.R. No. 87, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE HAWAII EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY TO INSTALL A NEW EMERGENCY SIREN NEAR THE INTERSECTION OF AUMAKUA STREET AND AUHUHU STREET IN UPPER PACIFIC PALISADES," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented two reports:

(Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1649-24) recommending that H.R. No. 119, HD 1 be adopted; and

(Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1650-24) recommending that H.C.R. No. 138, HD 1 be adopted.

Representative Nakamura moved that the reports of the Committee be adopted, and that H.R. No. 119, HD 1; and H.C.R. No. 138, HD 1 be adopted, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Pierick rose and asked that the Clerk record a no vote for him on both measures, and the Chair "so ordered."

Representative Ward rose and asked that the Clerk record a no vote for him on both measures, and the Chair "so ordered."

Representative Garcia rose and asked that the Clerk record a no vote for him on both measures, and the Chair "so ordered."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the reports of the Committee were adopted and H.R. No. 119, HD 1, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU TO STUDY THE YEAR-ROUND LEGISLATURE MODELS OF CALIFORNIA, NEW YORK, PENNSYLVANIA, AND WISCONSIN TO CLARIFY THE SIMILARITIES AND DIFFERENCES IN OPERATIONS WITH RESPECT TO LEGISLATIVE SCHEDULES, OPERATIONAL COSTS, LEGISLATIVE AND STAFF SALARIES, AND POLICIES REGARDING OUTSIDE EMPLOYMENT," was adopted, with Representatives Garcia, Pierick, and Ward voting no, and with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused; and

H.C.R. No. 138, HD 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU TO STUDY THE YEAR-ROUND LEGISLATURE MODELS OF CALIFORNIA, NEW YORK, PENNSYLVANIA, AND WISCONSIN TO CLARIFY THE SIMILARITIES AND DIFFERENCES IN OPERATIONS WITH RESPECT TO LEGISLATIVE SCHEDULES, OPERATIONAL COSTS, LEGISLATIVE AND STAFF SALARIES, AND POLICIES REGARDING OUTSIDE EMPLOYMENT," was adopted, with Representatives Garcia, Pierick, and Ward voting no, and with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1651-24) recommending that H.R. No. 99, HD 1 be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.R. No. 99, HD 1, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION URGING THE COUNTIES TO AMEND OR ADOPT ORDINANCES TO BE CONSISTENT WITH THE HAWAII HOUSING FINANCE AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION'S RULES REGARDING RESIDENTIAL INCOME REQUIREMENTS ON HOUSING PROJECTS," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1652-24) recommending that H.C.R. No. 118, HD 1 be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.C.R. No. 118, HD 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE COUNTIES TO AMEND OR ADOPT ORDINANCES TO BE CONSISTENT WITH THE HAWAII HOUSING FINANCE AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION'S RULES REGARDING RESIDENTIAL INCOME REQUIREMENTS ON HOUSING PROJECTS," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1653-24) recommending that H.R. No. 104 be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.R. No. 104, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAW ENFORCEMENT TO CONVENE A SEARCH AND RESCUE WORKING GROUP TO DEVELOP AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO DETER HIKERS FROM ENTERING ILLEGAL HIKING TRAILS AND TO ADDRESS RISING SEARCH AND RESCUE COSTS FACING THE STATE AND COUNTIES DUE TO INCREASED ILLEGAL HIKING TRAFFIC," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1654-24) recommending that H.C.R. No. 124 be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.C.R. No. 124, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAW ENFORCEMENT TO CONVENE A SEARCH AND RESCUE WORKING GROUP TO DEVELOP AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO DETER HIKERS FROM ENTERING ILLEGAL HIKING TRAILS AND TO ADDRESS RISING SEARCH AND RESCUE COSTS FACING THE STATE AND COUNTIES DUE TO INCREASED ILLEGAL HIKING TRAFFIC," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1655-24) recommending that H.R. No. 112 be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.R. No. 112, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION URGING THE HAWAII HOUSING FINANCE AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION TO DEVELOP A TEN-YEAR PLAN TO SATISFY HAWAII'S HOUSING DEMAND," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1656-24) recommending that H.C.R. No. 131 be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.C.R. No. 131, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE HAWAII HOUSING FINANCE AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION TO DEVELOP A TEN-YEAR PLAN TO SATISFY HAWAII'S HOUSING DEMAND," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1657-24) recommending that H.R. No. 116 be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.R. No. 116, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO STUDY AND RECOMMEND SOLUTIONS TO RESOLVE SUPPLY CHAIN ISSUES CAUSED BY BARGE DELAYS TO LĀNA'I," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1658-24) recommending that H.C.R. No. 135 be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.C.R. No. 135, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO STUDY AND RECOMMEND SOLUTIONS TO RESOLVE SUPPLY CHAIN ISSUES CAUSED BY BARGE DELAYS TO LĀNA'I," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1659-24) recommending that H.R. No. 127, HD 1 be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.R. No. 127, HD 1, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO CONVENE A VEGETATION MANAGEMENT WORKING GROUP TO STUDY, EVALUATE, AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING REGULATIONS THAT DEFINE PROPERTY OWNER OBLIGATIONS TO PERFORM VEGETATION MANAGEMENT ON PUBLIC AND PRIVATE PROPERTY FOR PURPOSES OF WILDFIRE RISK MITIGATION," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1660-24) recommending that H.C.R. No. 148, HD 1 be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.C.R. No. 148, HD 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO CONVENE A VEGETATION MANAGEMENT WORKING GROUP TO STUDY, EVALUATE, AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING REGULATIONS THAT DEFINE PROPERTY OWNER OBLIGATIONS TO PERFORM VEGETATION MANAGEMENT ON PUBLIC AND PRIVATE PROPERTY FOR PURPOSES OF WILDFIRE RISK MITIGATION," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented two reports:

(Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1661-24) recommending that H.R. No. 131 be adopted; and

(Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1662-24) recommending that H.C.R. No. 152 be adopted.

Representative Nakamura moved that the reports of the Committee be adopted, and that H.R. No. 131; and H.C.R. No. 152 be adopted, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Pierick rose and asked that the Clerk record a no vote for him on both measures, and the Chair "so ordered."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the reports of the Committee were adopted and H.R. No. 131, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION URGING THE HAWAII TOURISM AUTHORITY, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE OFFICE OF ENTERPRISE TECHNOLOGY SERVICES, TO CONDUCT A STUDY ON THE SOCIAL AND SAFETY IMPACTS OF GEOTAGGING," was adopted, with Representative Pierick voting no, and with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused; and

H.C.R. No. 152, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE HAWAII TOURISM AUTHORITY, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE OFFICE OF ENTERPRISE TECHNOLOGY SERVICES, TO CONDUCT A STUDY ON THE SOCIAL AND SAFETY IMPACTS OF GEOTAGGING," was adopted, with Representative Pierick voting no, and with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused. Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1663-24) recommending that H.R. No. 136 be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.R. No. 136, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION URGING THE UNITED STATES AND THE STATE TO RECOGNIZE AND ADDRESS THE AIR TRANSPORTATION CRISIS ON MOLOKAI AND LĀNA'I," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1664-24) recommending that H.C.R. No. 157 be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.C.R. No. 157, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE UNITED STATES AND THE STATE TO RECOGNIZE AND ADDRESS THE AIR TRANSPORTATION CRISIS ON MOLOKAI AND LĀNA`I," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented two reports:

(Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1665-24) recommending that H.R. No. 139 be adopted; and

(Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1666-24) recommending that H.C.R. No. 160 be adopted.

Representative Nakamura moved that the reports of the Committee be adopted, and that H.R. No. 139; and H.C.R. No. 160 be adopted, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

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

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the reports of the Committee were adopted and H.R. No. 139, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE WOMEN'S CORRECTIONS IMPLEMENTATION COMMISSION TO DEVELOP A STRATEGY AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO REDUCE THE NUMBER OF WOMEN INCARCERATED AT THE WOMEN'S COMMUNITY CORRECTIONAL CENTER BY TWENTY-FIVE PERCENT OVER THE NEXT FIVE YEARS," was adopted, with Representative Ward voting aye with reservations, and with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused; and

H.C.R. No. 160, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE WOMEN'S CORRECTIONS IMPLEMENTATION COMMISSION TO DEVELOP A STRATEGY AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO REDUCE THE NUMBER OF WOMEN INCARCERATED AT THE WOMEN'S COMMUNITY CORRECTIONAL CENTER BY TWENTY-FIVE PERCENT OVER THE NEXT FIVE YEARS," was adopted, with Representative Ward voting aye with reservations, and with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1667-24) recommending that H.R. No. 140 be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.R. No. 140, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE TO CONVENE A WORKING GROUP TO REVIEW THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE RELEVANT STATE LAWS GOVERNING AGRICULTURAL-BASED COMMERCIAL OPERATIONS," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused. Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1668-24) recommending that H.C.R. No. 161 be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.C.R. No. 161, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE TO CONVENE A WORKING GROUP TO REVIEW THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE RELEVANT STATE LAWS GOVERNING AGRICULTURAL-BASED COMMERCIAL OPERATIONS," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1669-24) recommending that H.R. No. 172, HD 1, as amended in HD 2, be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.R. No. 172, HD 2, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE AUDITOR TO CONDUCT AN AUDIT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION'S STATEWIDE BACKLOG OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE PROJECTS," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1670-24) recommending that H.C.R. No. 192, HD 1, as amended in HD 2, be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.C.R. No. 192, HD 2, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE AUDITOR TO CONDUCT AN AUDIT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION'S STATEWIDE BACKLOG OF CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE PROJECTS," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1671-24) recommending that H.R. No. 180, HD 1 be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.R. No. 180, HD 1, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES TO REPORT ON THE CULTURAL AND THERAPEUTIC SERVICES PROVIDED BY COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS AT THE KAWAILOA YOUTH AND FAMILY WELLNESS CENTER," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1672-24) recommending that H.C.R. No. 200, HD 1 be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.C.R. No. 200, HD 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES TO REPORT ON THE CULTURAL AND THERAPEUTIC SERVICES PROVIDED BY COMMUNITY-BASED ORGANIZATIONS AT THE KAWAILOA YOUTH AND FAMILY WELLNESS CENTER," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented two reports:

(Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1673-24) recommending that H.R. No. 191 be adopted; and

(Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1674-24) recommending that H.C.R. No. 211 be adopted.

Representative Nakamura moved that the reports of the Committee be adopted, and that H.R. No. 191; and H.C.R. No. 211 be adopted, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Pierick rose and asked that the Clerk record a no vote for him on both measures, and the Chair "so ordered."

Representative Garcia rose and asked that the Clerk record a no vote for him on both measures, and the Chair "so ordered."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the reports of the Committee were adopted and H.R. No. 191, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND GENERAL SERVICES AND THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT TO EVALUATE SUBSIDIZING PUBLIC TRANSIT FOR PUBLIC EMPLOYEES," was adopted, with Representatives Garcia and Pierick voting no, and with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused; and

H.C.R. No. 211, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND GENERAL SERVICES AND THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT TO EVALUATE SUBSIDIZING PUBLIC TRANSIT FOR PUBLIC EMPLOYEES," was adopted, with Representatives Garcia and Pierick voting no, and with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1675-24) recommending that H.R. No. 194 be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.R. No. 194, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO COLLABORATE WITH FEDERAL, STATE, AND COUNTY GOVERNMENTS; LANDOWNERS; AND STAKEHOLDERS TO PROTECT, RESTORE, AND MANAGE THE WEST MAUI WETLANDS AND WETLANDS STATEWIDE," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1676-24) recommending that H.C.R. No. 214 be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.C.R. No. 214, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO COLLABORATE WITH FEDERAL, STATE, AND COUNTY GOVERNMENTS; LANDOWNERS; AND STAKEHOLDERS TO PROTECT, RESTORE, AND MANAGE THE WEST MAUI WETLANDS AND WETLANDS STATEWIDE," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1677-24) recommending that H.C.R. No. 225 be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.C.R. No. 225, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE AUDITOR TO CONDUCT A SOCIAL AND FINANCIAL ASSESSMENT OF PROPOSED MANDATORY HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR STEP THERAPY REQUIREMENTS FOR STAGE TWO THROUGH STAGE FIVE CANCER," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1678-24) recommending that H.C.R. No. 89, HD 1 be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.C.R. No. 89, HD 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE TO ADOPT ADMINISTRATIVE RULES TO DEFINE "BENEFICIAL EFFECTS TO THE STATE" IN SECTION 38-2, HAWAII REVISED STATUTES, TO INCLUDE THE FINANCING OF HOUSING," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1679-24) recommending that H.R. No. 64, HD 1 be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.R. No. 64, HD I, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE STATE PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL COMMISSION, TO SUBMIT A REPORT ON INCREASING ACCESS TO STABLE, SUITABLE, AND AFFORDABLE FACILITIES FOR PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOLS," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1680-24) recommending that H.C.R. No. 79, HD 1 be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.C.R. No. 79, HD 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE STATE PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL COMMISSION, TO SUBMIT A REPORT ON INCREASING ACCESS TO STABLE, SUITABLE, AND AFFORDABLE FACILITIES FOR PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOLS," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1681-24) recommending that H.R. No. 65 be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.R. No. 65, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION URGING STATE EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS REVIEW MINIMUM TO QUALIFICATIONS AND COMPENSATION FOR CLASS AND SPECIFICATIONS FOR JOB POSTINGS PROVIDE SUGGESTIONS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1682-24) recommending that H.C.R. No. 80 be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.C.R. No. 80, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING STATE EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENTS TO REVIEW MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS AND COMPENSATION FOR CLASS SPECIFICATIONS FOR JOB POSTINGS AND PROVIDE SUGGESTIONS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1683-24) recommending that H.R. No. 66 be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.R. No. 66, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DIRECTOR OF LABOR AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS TO AMEND TITLE 12, CHAPTER 15, HAWAII ADMINISTRATIVE RULES, TO CLARIFY THAT COMPENSATION FOR ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSES UNDER THE STATE'S WORKERS' COMPENSATION LAW IS DISTINCT FROM COMPENSATION FOR REGISTERED NURSES AND SHALL BE ONE HUNDRED PERCENT OF THE FEES AUTHORIZED UNDER THE MEDICARE FEE SCHEDULE," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1684-24) recommending that H.C.R. No. 81 be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.C.R. No. 81, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DIRECTOR OF LABOR AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS TO AMEND TITLE 12, CHAPTER 15, HAWAII ADMINISTRATIVE RULES, TO CLARIFY THAT COMPENSATION FOR ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSES UNDER THE STATE'S WORKERS' COMPENSATION LAW IS DISTINCT FROM COMPENSATION FOR REGISTERED NURSES AND SHALL BE ONE HUNDRED PERCENT OF THE FEES AUTHORIZED UNDER THE MEDICARE FEE SCHEDULE," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented two reports:

(Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1685-24) recommending that H.R. No. 75, HD 1 be adopted; and

(Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1686-24) recommending that H.C.R. No. 91, HD 1 be adopted.

Representative Nakamura moved that the reports of the Committee be adopted, and that H.R. No. 75, HD 1; and H.C.R. No. 91, HD 1 be adopted, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Pierick rose to speak in support of both measures, stating:

"In support. This measure would eventually, hopefully, help caregivers who take care of *kūpuna* in care homes. As a former hospice chaplain, many caregivers would mention to me that they wish that their pay was more and this measure would do that."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the reports of the Committee were adopted and H.R. No. 75, HD 1, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES TO ESTABLISH A WORKING GROUP TO ADDRESS ISSUES RELATING TO REIMBURSEMENTS AND PAYMENTS TO HOME AND COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES PROVIDERS," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused; and

H.C.R. No. 91, HD 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES TO ESTABLISH A WORKING GROUP TO ADDRESS ISSUES RELATING TO REIMBURSEMENTS AND PAYMENTS TO HOME AND COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES PROVIDERS," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1687-24) recommending that H.C.R. No. 8 be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.C.R. No. 8, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION APPROVING THE DEDICATION OF KUKUIA STREET, LAHAINA, HAWAII, TO THE COUNTY OF MAUI," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1688-24) recommending that H.C.R. No. 9 be adopted.

Representative Nakamura moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.C.R. No. 9 be adopted, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Hussey-Burdick rose to speak in support of the measure, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. In support, brief comment. This easement contains a structure that is part of the City and County of Honolulu's municipal drainage system that has been discovered within the state shoreline land area. There is a critical public service being served by this easement, and as such it does uphold the public trust to support it. Thank you."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and H.C.R. No. 9, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A PERPETUAL, NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT COVERING A PORTION OF STATE SUBMERGED LANDS AT HEEIA, KOOLAUPOKO, OAHU, FOR THE EXISTING DRAIN, AND FOR USE, REPAIR, AND MAINTENANCE OF THE EXISTING IMPROVEMENTS CONSTRUCTED THEREON," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1689-24) recommending that H.C.R. No. 10, HD 1, as amended in HD 2, be adopted.

Representative Nakamura moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.C.R. No. 10, HD 2 be adopted, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Hussey-Burdick rose to speak in opposition to the measure, stating:

"Thank you. No vote, brief comment. There's a growing body of scientific literature that demonstrates how seawalls and shoreline hardening negatively impact nearby beaches. This is one of many reasons why the Legislature codified HRS Chapter 171-53 in 1962, requiring the Legislature to approve any lease of state submerged lands via concurrent resolution like these. The text of these resolutions, this resolution and the following five, almost urge the Legislature not to pass it. It warns of rising sea levels and states, I quote, 'the practice of issuing easements to private landowners for state submerged lands on a case-by-case basis is not prudent as a long-term strategy when considered in relation to the public trust doctrine and in the context of planning for landscape-scale adaptation and retreat."

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

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

Representative Kapela rose and asked that the Clerk record a no vote 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.C.R. No. 10, HD 2, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A TERM, NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT COVERING A PORTION OF STATE SUBMERGED LANDS AT KANEOHE, KOOLAUPOKO, OAHU, FOR THE EXISTING BOAT RAMP AND CONCRETE WALL, AND FOR USE, REPAIR, AND MAINTENANCE OF THE EXISTING IMPROVEMENTS CONSTRUCTED THEREON," was adopted, with Representative Amato voting aye with reservations, with Representatives Hussey-Burdick, Kapela, and Perruso voting no, and with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1690-24) recommending that H.C.R. No. 11, HD 1, as amended in HD 2, be adopted.

Representative Nakamura moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.C.R. No. 11, HD 2 be adopted, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Hussey-Burdick rose to speak in opposition to the measure, stating:

"In opposition. I would like to insert the words that I previously spoke on the last resolution, and also note that the private property that benefits from this resolution was last purchased in 2011 for over \$13 million."

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

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

Representative Amato 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.C.R. No. 11, HD 2, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A TERM, NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT COVERING A PORTION OF STATE SUBMERGED LANDS AT WAIALAE-IKI, HONOLULU, OAHU, FOR THE EXISTING REVETMENT, AND FOR USE, REPAIR, AND MAINTENANCE OF THE EXISTING IMPROVEMENTS CONSTRUCTED THEREON," was adopted, with Representative Amato voting aye with reservations, with Representatives Hussey-Burdick, Kapela, and Perruso voting no, and with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1691-24) recommending that H.C.R. No. 12, HD 1, as amended in HD 2, be adopted.

Representative Nakamura moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.C.R. No. 12, HD 2 be adopted, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Hussey-Burdick rose to speak in opposition to the measure, stating:

"No vote, brief comment. I would like to insert the words that I spoke from the resolution HCR 10 and note that this private property that benefits from this resolution was last purchased in 2021 for almost \$2 million."

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

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

Representative Amato 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.C.R. No. 12, HD 2, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A TERM, NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT COVERING A PORTION OF STATE SUBMERGED LANDS AT KANEOHE, KOOLAUPOKO, OAHU, FOR THE EXISTING CONCRETE BOAT RAMP, AND FOR USE, REPAIR, AND MAINTENANCE OF THE EXISTING IMPROVEMENTS CONSTRUCTED THEREON," was adopted, with Representative Amato voting aye with reservations, with Representatives Hussey-Burdick, Kapela, and Perruso voting no, and with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1692-24) recommending that H.C.R. No. 13, HD 1, as amended in HD 2, be adopted.

Representative Nakamura moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.C.R. No. 13, HD 2 be adopted, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Hussey-Burdick rose to speak in opposition to the measure, stating:

"No vote, brief comment. I would like to also insert the speech that I gave on HCR 10, and also note that the private property that benefits from this resolution was last purchase in 2017 for almost \$1.3 million."

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

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

Representative Amato rose and asked that the Clerk record a no vote 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.C.R. No. 13, HD 2, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A TERM, NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT COVERING A PORTION OF STATE SUBMERGED LANDS AT HAUULA, KOOLAULOA, OAHU, FOR THE EXISTING RIPRAP REVETMENT, RAMP, AND ROCK GROIN, AND FOR USE, REPAIR, AND MAINTENANCE OF THE EXISTING IMPROVEMENTS CONSTRUCTED THEREON," was adopted, with Representatives Amato, Hussey-Burdick, Kapela, and Perruso voting no, and with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1693-24) recommending that H.C.R. No. 14, HD 1, as amended in HD 2, be adopted.

Representative Nakamura moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.C.R. No. 14, HD 2 be adopted, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

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

Representative Hussey-Burdick rose to speak in opposition to the measure, stating:

"No vote, brief comment. I understand that this resolution is a little bit different. It deals with an apartment building that houses a lot of people, some local residents, some not. But the underlying point remains the same. These are private property owners. This is a public trust resource. If the ocean is encroaching on a private property, no matter how big or small, we need to recognize that as a wasted asset and retreat and move inward and realize that we cannot keep building shoreline homes at a cost of millions of dollars and expect that people can continue to live there. Thank you."

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

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

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

"Mr. Speaker, in support for this measure and the previous measures related to the term leases. Brief comment in support. I understand the issues being raised by our colleague from Kailua. But I also appreciate that these resolutions have been amended with a shorter lease term, and that there is a promise and an expectation that we will confront these issues being presented by these resolutions in legislative sessions to come. Because truly, managed retreat in addressing our shoreline is a critical issue that we have to face for our generation. Thank you, Mr. Speaker."

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

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Also in support. And I think I stated previously that I am definitely not a fan of seawalls. This is something that has been exacerbated, it has already a domino effect. And it will be detrimental if they cannot continue to maintain and do improvements upon this existing wall, which had started because of the harbor that the state had built many, many years ago. So, there is a clear delineation on when you do not put a wall versus having a wall in this particular shoreline. And the part where they force the landowner to manage retreat, the land itself has eroded just pure dirt into the ocean there because of lack of seawall and existing seawalls around it. So, this definitely needs to happen. And I concur with previous testimony here and I am in very strong support because it's very needed. Thank you."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and H.C.R. No. 14, HD 2, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A TERM, NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT COVERING A PORTION OF STATE SUBMERGED LANDS AT MAALAEA BEACH LOTS, WAIKAPU, WAILUKU, MAUI, FOR THE EXISTING SEAWALL, AND FOR USE, REPAIR, AND MAINTENANCE OF THE EXISTING IMPROVEMENTS CONSTRUCTED THEREON," was adopted, with Representatives Amato, Hussey-Burdick, Kapela, and Perruso voting no, and with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1694-24) recommending that H.C.R. No. 22, HD 1, as amended in HD 2, be adopted.

Representative Nakamura moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.C.R. No. 22, HD 2 be adopted, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Hussey-Burdick rose to speak in opposition to the measure, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. In opposition, brief comment. I would like to insert the comments that I made for HCR 10, and also note that there are at least three private beachfront properties that benefit from this resolution, each valued between \$4 million and \$5 million. I have taken an oath to uphold the public trust, and as such, I have a fiduciary duty to oppose the passage of measures that would exclusively benefit private interests at the expense of our public trust beaches. It is time that the Legislature stops automatically approving seawalls and hardening to benefit wealthy private landowners at the cost of our public trust beaches. Thank you."

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

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

Representative Amato 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.C.R. No. 22, HD 2, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A TERM, NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT COVERING A PORTION OF STATE SUBMERGED LANDS AT WAIKIKI, HONOLULU, OAHU, FOR CONSTRUCTION, USE, REPAIR, AND MAINTENANCE OF STEPS," was adopted, with Representative Amato voting aye with reservations, with Representatives Hussey-Burdick, Kapela, and Perruso voting no, and with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented two reports:

(Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1695-24) recommending that H.R. No. 14 be adopted; and

(Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1696-24) recommending that H.C.R. No. 24 be adopted.

Representative Nakamura moved that the reports of the Committee be adopted, and that H.R. No. 14; and H.C.R. No. 24 be adopted, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Pierick rose and asked that the Clerk record a no vote for him on both measures, and the Chair "so ordered."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the reports of the Committee were adopted and H.R. No. 14, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE TO CREATE A PLAN TO DEVELOP AN INVASIVE PESTS PLACARD PROGRAM AND ASSESS THE RESOURCES NEEDED TO IMPLEMENT THE PROGRAM," was adopted, with Representative Pierick voting no, and with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused; and

H.C.R. No. 24, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE TO CREATE

A PLAN TO DEVELOP AN INVASIVE PESTS PLACARD PROGRAM AND ASSESS THE RESOURCES NEEDED TO IMPLEMENT THE PROGRAM," was adopted, with Representative Pierick voting no, and with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1697-24) recommending that H.R. No. 78, HD 1, as amended in HD 2, be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.R. No. 78, HD 2, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES TO CONDUCT A STUDY ON THE FEASIBILITY OF INCREASING THE MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENT PAYMENT RATE FOR HAWAII'S COMMUNITY CARE FOSTER FAMILY HOMES AND EXPANDED ADULT RESIDENTIAL CARE HOMES FOR MEDICAID CLIENTS EVERY TEN YEARS," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1698-24) recommending that H.C.R. No. 94, HD 1, as amended in HD 2, be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.C.R. No. 94, HD 2, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES TO CONDUCT A STUDY ON THE FEASIBILITY OF INCREASING THE MEDICAID REIMBURSEMENT PAYMENT RATE FOR HAWAII'S COMMUNITY CARE FOSTER FAMILY HOMES AND EXPANDED ADULT RESIDENTIAL CARE HOMES FOR MEDICAID CLIENTS EVERY TEN YEARS," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1699-24) recommending that H.R. No. 106, HD 1 be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.R. No. 106, HD 1, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A TELEHEALTH WORKING GROUP TO EXAMINE THE IMPACT OF WIDESPREAD TELEHEALTH ADOPTION DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC AND IDENTIFY PUBLIC POLICY INITIATIVES AT THE FEDERAL AND STATE LEVEL TO OPTIMIZE TELEHEALTH UTILIZATION AS THE STATE TRANSITIONS OUT OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1700-24) recommending that H.C.R. No. 125, HD 1 be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.C.R. No. 125, HD 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A TELEHEALTH WORKING GROUP TO EXAMINE THE IMPACT OF WIDESPREAD TELEHEALTH ADOPTION DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC AND IDENTIFY PUBLIC POLICY INITIATIVES AT THE FEDERAL AND STATE LEVEL TO OPTIMIZE TELEHEALTH UTILIZATION AS THE STATE TRANSITIONS OUT OF THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1701-24) recommending that H.R. No. 145, HD 1 be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.R. No. 145, HD 1, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION URGING THE STATE PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL COMMISSION TO WORK WITH STAKEHOLDERS TO DEVELOP AND ADOPT ADMINISTRATIVE RULES, INCLUDING RULES GOVERNING THE NEGOTIATION PROCESS BETWEEN THE COMMISSION AND PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOLS," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1702-24) recommending that H.C.R. No. 166, HD 1 be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.C.R. No. 166, HD 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE STATE PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL COMMISSION TO WORK WITH STAKEHOLDERS TO DEVELOP AND ADOPT ADMINISTRATIVE RULES, INCLUDING RULES GOVERNING THE NEGOTIATION PROCESS BETWEEN THE COMMISSION AND PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOLS," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1703-24) recommending that H.C.R. No. 172 be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.C.R. No. 172, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DIRECTOR OF HEALTH TO CONVENE A WORKING GROUP TO ADDRESS ISSUES RELATING TO PATIENT TRANSFER AND AMBULANCE SERVICES AND EVALUATE POTENTIAL SOLUTIONS," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented two reports:

(Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1704-24) recommending that H.R. No. 102 be adopted; and

(Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1705-24) recommending that H.C.R. No. 122 be adopted.

Representative Nakamura moved that the reports of the Committee be adopted, and that H.R. No. 102; and H.C.R. No. 122 be adopted, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Hussey-Burdick rose and asked that the Clerk record a no vote for her on both measures, and the Chair "so ordered."

Representative Kapela rose and asked that the Clerk record a no vote for her on both measures, and the Chair "so ordered."

Representative Perruso rose and asked that the Clerk record a no vote for her on both measures, and the Chair "so ordered."

Representative Marten rose and asked that the Clerk record a no vote for her on both measures, and the Chair "so ordered."

Representative Ganaden rose and asked that the Clerk record a no vote for him on both measures, and the Chair "so ordered."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the reports of the Committee were adopted and H.R. No. 102, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE COUNTIES TO AMEND OR ADOPT AN ORDINANCE TO ALLOW RELIGIOUS INSTITUTIONS, EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS, OR MEDICAL INSTITUTIONS TO DEVELOP RESIDENTIAL UNITS ON PARCELS THAT MEET CERTAIN CONDITIONS," was adopted, with Representatives Ganaden, Hussey-Burdick, Kapela, Marten, and Perruso voting no, and with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused; and

H.C.R. No. 122, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE COUNTIES TO AMEND OR ADOPT AN ORDINANCE TO ALLOW RELIGIOUS INSTITUTIONS, EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS, OR MEDICAL INSTITUTIONS TO DEVELOP RESIDENTIAL UNITS ON PARCELS THAT MEET CERTAIN CONDITIONS," was adopted, with Representatives Ganaden, Hussey-Burdick, Kapela, Marten, and Perruso voting no, and with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused. Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1706-24) recommending that H.R. No. 81, HD 1, as amended in HD 2, be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.R. No. 81, HD 2, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND GENERAL SERVICES TO ESTABLISH A WORKING GROUP TO PLAN AND CONSTRUCT A HAWAII FIRST RESPONDERS MEMORIAL," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1707-24) recommending that H.C.R. No. 97, HD 1, as amended in HD 2, be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.C.R. No. 97, HD 2, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND GENERAL SERVICES TO ESTABLISH A WORKING GROUP TO PLAN AND CONSTRUCT A HAWAII FIRST RESPONDERS MEMORIAL," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented two reports:

(Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1708-24) recommending that H.R. No. 114, HD 1 be adopted; and

(Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1709-24) recommending that H.C.R. No. 133, HD 1 be adopted.

Representative Nakamura moved that the reports of the Committee be adopted, and that H.R. No. 114, HD 1; and H.C.R. No. 133, HD 1 be adopted, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Amato rose and asked that the Clerk record a no vote for her on both measures, and the Chair "so ordered."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the reports of the Committee were adopted and H.R. No. 114, HD 1, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU, TO INSTALL SPEED BUMPS, SPEED DETECTION DEVICES, PHOTO RED LIGHT IMAGING DETECTOR SYSTEMS, AND OTHER SAFETY MEASURES IN HOUSE DISTRICT 32," was adopted, with Representative Amato voting no, and with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused; and

H.C.R. No. 133, HD 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU, TO INSTALL SPEED BUMPS, SPEED DETECTION DEVICES, PHOTO RED LIGHT IMAGING DETECTOR SYSTEMS, AND OTHER SAFETY MEASURES IN HOUSE DISTRICT 32," was adopted, with Representative Amato voting no, and with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1710-24) recommending that H.R. No. 125 be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.R. No. 125, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, AND JUDICIARY TO PRIORITIZE ENSURING THAT CONTRACTS FOR GOVERNMENT SERVICES ARE ADEQUATELY RESOURCED TO COVER THE COSTS OF PROVIDING THOSE SERVICES," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused. Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1711-24) recommending that H.C.R. No. 143 be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.C.R. No. 143, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, AND JUDICIARY TO PRIORITIZE ENSURING THAT CONTRACTS FOR GOVERNMENT SERVICES ARE ADEQUATELY RESOURCED TO COVER THE COSTS OF PROVIDING THOSE SERVICES," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1712-24) recommending that H.R. No. 115, as amended in HD 1, be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.R. No. 115, HD 1, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE HAWAII EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY TO SUBMIT A GRANT REQUEST TO THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY FOR ROCKFALL MITIGATION IN MOANALUA GARDENS AND MOANALUA VALLEY, OAHU," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1713-24) recommending that H.C.R. No. 134, as amended in HD 1, be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and CONCURRENT H.C.R. No. 134, HD 1, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE HAWAII EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY TO SUBMIT A GRANT REQUEST TO THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT FEDERAL AGENCY FOR ROCKFALL MITIGATION IN MOANALUA GARDENS AND MOANALUA VALLEY, OAHU," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented two reports:

(Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1714-24) recommending that H.R. No. 96, HD 1 be adopted; and

(Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1715-24) recommending that H.C.R. No. 115, HD 1 be adopted.

Representative Nakamura moved that the reports of the Committee be adopted, and that H.R. No. 96, HD 1; and H.C.R. No. 115, HD 1 be adopted, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

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

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

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

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the reports of the Committee were adopted and H.R. No. 96, HD 1, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO ASSESS THE REGISTRATION AND MONITORING OF CLEAN AND SOBER HOMES," was adopted, with Representatives Amato, Garcia, and Ward voting aye with reservations, and with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused; and

H.C.R. No. 115, HD 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO ASSESS THE REGISTRATION AND MONITORING OF CLEAN AND SOBER HOMES," was adopted, with Representatives Amato, Garcia, and Ward voting aye with reservations, and with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Tarnas, for the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1716-24) recommending that H.R. No. 21 be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.R. No. 21, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE OFFICE OF HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS TO IDENTIFY THE SCOPE OF NATIVE HAWAIIAN CULTURAL APPROPRIATENESS FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADDRESSING NATIVE HAWAIIAN DISPARITIES," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Tarnas, for the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1717-24) recommending that H.C.R. No. 32 be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.C.R. No. 32, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE OFFICE OF HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS TO IDENTIFY THE SCOPE OF NATIVE HAWAIIAN CULTURAL APPROPRIATENESS FOR THE PURPOSE OF ADDRESSING NATIVE HAWAIIAN DISPARITIES," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Tarnas, for the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, presented two reports:

(Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1718-24) recommending that H.R. No. 176 be adopted; and

(Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1719-24) recommending that H.C.R. No. 196 be adopted.

Representative Nakamura moved that the reports of the Committee be adopted, and that H.R. No. 176; and H.C.R. No. 196 be adopted, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

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

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

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the reports of the Committee were adopted and H.R. No. 176, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION URGING THE HAWAIIAN HOMES COMMISSION TO CONSULT BENEFICIARIES OF THE HAWAIIAN HOMES COMMISSION ACT REGARDING ALTERNATIVE WAITLIST AND AWARD PRIORITIZATION BASED ON LINEAL AND GENERATIONAL DESCENDANCY FOR HAWAIIAN HOME LANDS LOCATED IN HANA, MAUI," was adopted, with Representatives Garcia and Ward voting aye with reservations, and with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused; and

H.C.R. No. 196, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE HAWAIIAN HOMES COMMISSION TO CONSULT BENEFICIARIES OF THE HAWAIIAN HOMES COMMISSION ACT REGARDING ALTERNATIVE WAITLIST AND AWARD PRIORITIZATION BASED ON LINEAL AND GENERATIONAL DESCENDANCY FOR HAWAIIAN HOME LANDS LOCATED IN HANA, MAUI," was adopted, with Representatives Garcia and Ward voting aye with reservations, and with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Tarnas, for the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1720-24) recommending that H.R. No. 59, as amended in HD 1, be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.R. No. 59, HD 1, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAW ENFORCEMENT TO DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT A U VISA CERTIFICATION POLICY," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Tarnas, for the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1721-24) recommending that H.C.R. No. 74, as amended in HD 1, be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.C.R. No. 74, HD 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAW ENFORCEMENT TO DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT A U VISA CERTIFICATION POLICY," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Tarnas, for the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1722-24) recommending that H.R. No. 174, as amended in HD 1, be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.R. No. 174, HD 1, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAW ENFORCEMENT TO CONDUCT A STUDY TO DETERMINE IF XYLAZINE TESTING STRIPS SHOULD BE EXCLUDED FROM THE STATE'S DEFINITION OF DRUG PARAPHERNALIA," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Tarnas, for the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1723-24) recommending that H.C.R. No. 194, as amended in HD 1, be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.C.R. No. 194, HD 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAW ENFORCEMENT TO CONDUCT A STUDY TO DETERMINE IF XYLAZINE TESTING STRIPS SHOULD BE EXCLUDED FROM THE STATE'S DEFINITION OF DRUG PARAPHERNALIA," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Tarnas, for the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, presented two reports:

(Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1724-24) recommending that H.R. No. 185 be adopted; and

(Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1725-24) recommending that H.C.R. No. 205 be adopted.

Representative Nakamura moved that the reports of the Committee be adopted, and that H.R. No. 185; and H.C.R. No. 205 be adopted, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Garcia rose and asked that the Clerk record a no vote for him on both measures, and the Chair "so ordered."

Representative Ward rose and asked that the Clerk record a no vote for him on both measures, and the Chair "so ordered."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the reports of the Committee were adopted and H.R. No. 185, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION URGING THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII TO ADOPT AND PUBLICIZE A STATEWIDE EQUITY STATEMENT," was adopted, with Representatives Garcia and Ward voting no, and with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused; and

H.C.R. No. 205, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII TO ADOPT AND PUBLICIZE A STATEWIDE EQUITY STATEMENT," was adopted, with Representatives Garcia and Ward voting no, and with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Nakashima, for the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1726-24) recommending that H.C.R. No. 53 be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.C.R. No. 53, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE AUDITOR TO ASSESS THE SOCIAL AND FINANCIAL EFFECTS OF MANDATORY HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE FOR BIOMARKER TESTING," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Nakashima, for the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, presented two reports:

(Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1727-24) recommending that H.R. No. 1 be adopted; and

(Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1728-24) recommending that H.C.R. No. 5 be adopted.

Representative Nakamura moved that the reports of the Committee be adopted, and that H.R. No. 1; and H.C.R. No. 5 be adopted, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Garcia rose and asked that the Clerk record a no vote for him on both measures, and the Chair "so ordered."

Representative Ward rose and asked that the Clerk record a no vote for him on both measures, and the Chair "so ordered."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the reports of the Committee were adopted and H.R. No. 1, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION URGING RETAIL STORES AND PHARMACIES DOING BUSINESS IN THE STATE TO ADOPT A POLICY ON A NATIONAL AND LOCAL LEVEL GUARANTEEING AN INDIVIDUAL'S UNHINDERED ACCESS TO ALL UNITED STATES FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION-APPROVED CONTRACEPTIVES," was adopted, with Representatives Garcia and Ward voting no, and with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused; and

H.C.R. No. 5, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING RETAIL STORES AND PHARMACIES DOING BUSINESS IN THE STATE TO ADOPT A POLICY ON A NATIONAL AND LOCAL LEVEL GUARANTEEING AN INDIVIDUAL'S UNHINDERED ACCESS TO ALL UNITED STATES FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION-APPROVED CONTRACEPTIVES," was adopted, with Representatives Garcia and Ward voting no, and with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Nakashima, for the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, presented two reports:

(Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1729-24) recommending that H.R. No. 193, HD 1, as amended in HD 2, be adopted; and

(Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1730-24) recommending that H.C.R. No. 213, HD 1, as amended in HD 2, be adopted.

Representative Nakamura moved that the reports of the Committee be adopted, and that H.R. No. 193, HD 2; and H.C.R. No. 213, HD 2 be adopted, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Garcia rose and asked that the Clerk record a no vote for him on both measures, and the Chair "so ordered."

Representative Pierick rose and asked that the Clerk record a no vote for him on both measures, and the Chair "so ordered."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the reports of the Committee were adopted and H.R. No. 193, HD 2, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE HAWAII STATE ENERGY OFFICE TO CONVENE A RENEWABLE LIQUID FUELS WORKING GROUP TO STUDY LOCAL PRODUCTION, DEVELOPMENT, AND INCENTIVES FOR RENEWABLE LIQUID FUELS," was adopted, with Representatives Garcia and Pierick voting no, and with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused; and

H.C.R. No. 213, HD 2, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE HAWAII STATE ENERGY OFFICE TO CONVENE A RENEWABLE LIQUID FUELS WORKING GROUP TO STUDY LOCAL PRODUCTION, DEVELOPMENT, AND INCENTIVES FOR RENEWABLE LIQUID FUELS," was adopted, with Representatives Garcia and Pierick voting no, and with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Nakashima, for the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, presented two reports:

(Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1731-24) recommending that H.R. No. 192, as amended in HD 1, be adopted; and

(Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1732-24) recommending that H.C.R. No. 212, as amended in HD 1, be adopted.

Representative Nakamura moved that the reports of the Committee be adopted, and that H.R. No. 192, HD 1; and H.C.R. No. 212, HD 1 be adopted, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Garcia rose and asked that the Clerk record a no vote for him on both measures, and the Chair "so ordered."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the reports of the Committee were adopted and H.R. No. 192, HD 1, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO INVESTIGATE AND IMPLEMENT POLICIES TO REDUCE THE IMPORTATION OF INGESTIBLE FOOD AND BEVERAGE PRODUCTS, PACKAGING, OR MATERIALS CONTAINING PERFLUOROALKYL AND POLYFLUOROALKYL SUBSTANCES INTO THE STATE," was adopted, with Representative Garcia voting no, and with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused; and

H.C.R. No. 212, HD 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO INVESTIGATE AND IMPLEMENT POLICIES TO REDUCE THE IMPORTATION OF INGESTIBLE FOOD AND BEVERAGE PRODUCTS, PACKAGING, OR MATERIALS CONTAINING PERFLUOROALKYL AND POLYFLUOROALKYL SUBSTANCES INTO THE STATE," was adopted, with Representative Garcia voting no, and with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1733-24) recommending that H.C.R. No. 29 be adopted.

Representative Nakamura moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that H.C.R. No. 29 be adopted, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

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

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.C.R. No. 29, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO SUPPORT CONTINUED FUNDING OF THE AFFORDABLE CONNECTIVITY PROGRAM," was adopted, with Representative Garcia voting aye with reservations, with Representative Pierick voting no, and with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1734-24) recommending that H.R. No. 39 be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.R. No. 39, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE AUDITOR TO CONDUCT A PERFORMANCE AUDIT OF THE OPERATIONS AND MANAGEMENT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES' DIVISION OF BOATING AND OCEAN RECREATION," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused. Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1735-24) recommending that H.C.R. No. 50 be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.C.R. No. 50, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE AUDITOR TO CONDUCT A PERFORMANCE AUDIT OF THE OPERATIONS AND MANAGEMENT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES' DIVISION OF BOATING AND OCEAN RECREATION," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1736-24) recommending that H.R. No. 53, HD 1, as amended in HD 2, be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.R. No. 53, HD 2, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS TO CONVENE AN UNDERGROUND ECONOMY INTERAGENCY TASK FORCE TO COMBAT THE UNDERGROUND ECONOMY AND EMPLOYEE MISCLASSIFICATION IN THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1737-24) recommending that H.C.R. No. 68, HD 1, as amended in HD 2, be adopted.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and H.C.R. No. 68, HD 2, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS TO CONVENE AN UNDERGROUND ECONOMY INTERAGENCY TASK FORCE TO COMBAT THE UNDERGROUND ECONOMY AND EMPLOYEE MISCLASSIFICATION IN THE CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY," was adopted, with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented two reports:

(Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1738-24) recommending that H.R. No. 61 be adopted; and

(Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1739-24) recommending that H.C.R. No. 76 be adopted.

Representative Nakamura moved that the reports of the Committee be adopted, and that H.R. No. 61; and H.C.R. No. 76 be adopted, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

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

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the reports of the Committee were adopted and H.R. No. 61, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION URGING STATE DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES TO ENABLE EMPLOYEES TO TELEWORK TO THE GREATEST EXTENT POSSIBLE," was adopted, with Representative Garcia voting aye with reservations, and with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused; and

H.C.R. No. 76, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING STATE DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES TO ENABLE EMPLOYEES TO TELEWORK TO THE GREATEST EXTENT POSSIBLE," was adopted, with Representative Garcia voting aye with reservations, and with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented two reports:

(Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1740-24) recommending that H.R. No. 55, as amended in HD 1, be adopted; and

(Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1741-24) recommending that H.C.R. No. 70, as amended in HD 1, be adopted.

Representative Nakamura moved that the reports of the Committee be adopted, and that H.R. No. 55, HD 1; and H.C.R. No. 70, HD 1 be adopted, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Perruso rose and asked that the Clerk record a no vote for her on both measures, and the Chair "so ordered."

Representative Kapela rose and asked that the Clerk record a no vote for her on both measures, and the Chair "so ordered."

Representative Ward rose and asked that the Clerk record a no vote for him on both measures, and the Chair "so ordered."

Representative Garcia rose and asked that the Clerk record a no vote for him on both measures, and the Chair "so ordered."

Representative Pierick rose to speak in opposition to both measures, stating:

"In opposition. Gambling is not good. I'm voting no."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the reports of the Committee were adopted and H.R. No. 55, HD 1, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND TOURISM TO CONVENE A SPORTS WAGERING WORKING GROUP TO CONDUCT AN ANALYSIS OF THE POTENTIAL LEGALIZATION AND REGULATION OF ONLINE SPORTS WAGERING IN HAWAII," was adopted, with Representatives Garcia, Kapela, Perruso, Pierick, and Ward voting no, and with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused; and

H.C.R. No. 70, HD 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND TOURISM TO CONVENE A SPORTS WAGERING WORKING GROUP TO CONDUCT AN ANALYSIS OF THE POTENTIAL LEGALIZATION AND REGULATION OF ONLINE SPORTS WAGERING IN HAWAII," was adopted, with Representatives Garcia, Kapela, Perruso, Pierick, and Ward voting no, and with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented two reports:

(Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1742-24) recommending that H.R. No. 98, as amended in HD 1, be adopted; and

(Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1743-24) recommending that H.C.R. No. 117, as amended in HD 1, be adopted.

Representative Nakamura moved that the reports of the Committee be adopted, and that H.R. No. 98, HD 1; and H.C.R. No. 117, HD 1 be adopted, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

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

Representative Kapela rose and asked that the Clerk record a no vote for her on both measures, and the Chair "so ordered."

Representative Perruso rose to speak in opposition to both measures, stating:

"In opposition. And I have some deep concerns about two of the whereas clauses in this resolution, and also the way in which it comes to this body. So, an existing reso was gutted and replaced with this language. And I think we need to look at this resolution more closely."

Representative Cochran rose to speak in opposition to both measures, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. And I too cast a no vote. And I stated it in the Finance Committee due to the process at which this was done. Thank you." Representative Hussey-Burdick rose and asked that the Clerk record a no vote for her on both measures, and the Chair "so ordered."

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

Representative Poepoe rose to speak in opposition to both measures, stating:

"No vote and a comment. In a nutshell, this resolution is directed at the County of Maui. It lists several whereas clauses speaking to the devastating effects of the fires, the cost of recovery. It comments on the mayor's recent proposed budget. It opines on certain things that should be included or omitted from the budget. And in the be it resolved, it urges the County of Maui to pass a fiscally prudent budget specifically to maintain current staffing levels, except for increases mandated by the county charter or those critical to wildfire response.

"There is a particular whereas clause that for me is problematic and could be interpreted, in my opinion, as contradictory to the be it resolved clause. The ninth whereas clause calls out two things that I am very protective of and two things very important and directly impacting to my district. This clause mentions that the mayor's budget includes funding for the Department of 'Oiwi Resources and funding for the East Maui Regional Community Board. And, as we know, East Maui is within a part of my district. And both of these are charter amendments.

"A little bit of history. The water authority was created to give East Maui residents a seat at the table when decisions are made regarding water resources in East Maui. For decades, East Maui streams were decimated, dewatered, and completely dried up. There was once a thriving commercial *kalo* export industry made up of generational and lineal Native Hawaiian families in East Maui, and that industry was killed when the water was diverted to grow sugar in the central plains. It took decades in court to get some of that water restored so that families could start their *lo'i* again. And that's some of the history behind why that board was created.

"The Department of 'Oiwi Resources was created to elevate and incorporate our culture and native worldviews and perspectives. Our cultural resources, arts, our language, our place names, our '*ike*, into the works and decisions of our county government. And that was another huge fought win and recognition for *kānaka* and culture in our government.

"So, I question why this clause is included at all considering the county is mandated to fund the charter. The Department of 'Oiwi Resources is required by charter to be active by July 1st, 2024. So, I think that potentially to not fund these items may put the county in violation of its own laws.

"I know that this is a resolution. But that message could be perceived as suggesting the county to not fund these important sections of the charter. And I've had numerous constituents reach out with great concern for this resolution. And at the end of the day, I'm here to represent my district and our people and our '*āina*. So, no vote. Thank you."

Representative Amato rose, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would like to cancel my reservations and change my vote to no, please."

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

Representative Belatti rose, stating:

"Thank you. Based on the words of my colleague from Moloka'i as well as from Lahaina, I'd like to also change my reservations to a no vote. Thank you."

Representative Ganaden rose, stating:

"Same request."

Representative Ward rose to speak in opposition to both measures, stating:

"Mr. Speaker, no vote. And a brief comment on the comments. As I read this and I hear this, this is kind of like a hit piece to the Maui County vote of no confidence or we know better at the state than you do. I think it's rather offensive, I think it's out of bounds, the way that we've handled this. So, strong no vote and in favor of every comment that has been made by the Maui reps."

Representative Garcia rose and asked that the Clerk record a no vote for him on both measures, and the Chair "so ordered."

Representative Matsumoto rose and asked that the Clerk record a no vote for her on both measures, and the Chair "so ordered."

Representative Lowen rose to speak in opposition to both measures, stating:

"Just a no vote based on the process."

Representative La Chica rose and asked that the Clerk record a no vote for her on both measures, and the Chair "so ordered."

Representative Alcos rose and asked that the Clerk record a no vote for him on both measures, and the Chair "so ordered."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the reports of the Committee were adopted and H.R. No. 98, HD 1, entitled: "HOUSE RESOLUTION URGING THE COUNTY OF MAUI TO ADOPT A FINANCIALLY PRUDENT BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025 THAT MAINTAINS CURRENT OPERATIONAL LEVELS EXCEPT FOR CERTAIN MANDATORY OR CRITICAL INCREASES," was adopted, with Representative Marten voting aye with reservations, with Representatives Alcos, Amato, Belatti, Cochran, Ganaden, Garcia, Hussey-Burdick, Kapela, La Chica, Lowen, Matsumoto, Perruso, Poepoe, and Ward voting no, and with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused; and

H.C.R. No. 117, HD 1, entitled: "HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION URGING THE COUNTY OF MAUI TO ADOPT A FINANCIALLY PRUDENT BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025 THAT MAINTAINS CURRENT OPERATIONAL LEVELS EXCEPT FOR CERTAIN MANDATORY OR CRITICAL INCREASES," was adopted, with Representative Marten voting aye with reservations, with Representatives Alcos, Amato, Belatti, Cochran, Ganaden, Garcia, Hussey-Burdick, Kapela, La Chica, Lowen, Matsumoto, Perruso, Poepoe, and Ward voting no, and with Representatives Kitagawa, Quinlan, and Souza being excused.

LATE INTRODUCTIONS

The following late introduction was made to the members of the House:

Representative Nakamura introduced Tom Coffman, author.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

Representative Tarnas, for the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1744-24) recommending that S.B. No. 2354, SD 1 pass Second Reading and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2354, SD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOL," passed Second Reading and was placed on the calendar for Third Reading, with Representatives Kitagawa, Lowen, and Souza being excused.

Representatives Evslin, Ichiyama, and Tarnas, for the Committee on Housing and the Committee on Water & Land and the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1745-24) recommending that S.B. No. 2948, SD 2, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committees was adopted and S.B. No. 2948, SD 2, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HOUSING," passed Second Reading and was placed on the calendar for Third Reading, with Representatives Kitagawa, Lowen, and Souza being excused. Representatives Evslin, Ichiyama, and Tarnas, for the Committee on Housing and the Committee on Water & Land and the Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1746-24) recommending that S.B. No. 3202, SD 2, as amended in HD 1, pass Second Reading and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

Representative Nakamura moved that the report of the Committees be adopted, and that S.B. No. 3202, SD 2, HD 1 pass Second Reading and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

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

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

"Same request. And I would just like to thank the chairs who have been working on this measure for their amendments to this work. And I still stand in opposition."

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

"With reservation and brief comments. I really appreciate the version that's before us right now and I have no objection to that at all. My reservation is just for what might happen in conference. But I really appreciate the work that's been done and the willingness of the committees to let the counties proceed with their current ongoing adjustments to their own land use ordinances. Thank you."

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

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

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

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

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

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

Representative Hussey-Burdick rose to speak in opposition to the measure, stating:

"No vote, brief comment. I understand that the two most controversial provisions were removed in the only committee held by the House. But I also understand that any part of any previous version could potentially be revived in conference committee. I understand that the main argument in support of this bill is because we haven't built enough housing stock to house all of our people.

"But is that really true when we have such high vacancy rates? Some areas are as high as 25%. That means one out of every four units in those communities are sitting empty, while people who are born and raised here are sleeping in their cars on the street. How much more housing do we need to build in order to make these houses affordable?

"There's also been an assertion that one of the main reasons inflating the price of housing is because of our arduous permitting process. Let me correct the record. This bottleneck is not caused by our hard fought environmental and community protections. It's because most of our county permitting departments are disastrously underfunded, understaffed, and overworked. This bill is not going to fix that and would actually lead to a further backlog of permit requests from an unprecedented number of homeowners trying to suddenly subdivide their existing units.

"If this body was serious about reducing the cost of housing, we would require counties to adequately fund their permitting departments and impose a steep vacant homes tax to incentivize our existing units to go back on the market and bring prices down. I'm voting no on this bill because urban sprawl is not the answer to our housing crisis. Our urban roads, sewer systems, and emergency facilities are not built to withstand three to six times higher density. My community is already feeling the impacts of overburdened sewer systems and roadway congestion. Thank you, Mr. Speaker. No vote."

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

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

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

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

"No vote, but with much appreciation to all the chairs involved for the continuing work on the bill."

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

"Strong reservations."

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

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

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. No vote for me with brief comment. Mr. Speaker, I really appreciate the hard work of the committee chairs on this bill and the amendments that they made. But I still have strong reservations about the potential that this bill will increase the price of residential homes and potential vacant land once it gets rezoned and make it more attractive to investors, not just people in Hawai'i, but also for people from outside of Hawai'i that are going to be coming to Hawai'i and bid up the price for land and residential homes. Thank you."

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

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

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

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

Representative Hashem 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 Committees was adopted and S.B. No. 3202, SD 2, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO URBAN DEVELOPMENT," passed Second Reading and was placed on the calendar for Third Reading, with Representatives Amato, Belatti, Chun, Hashem, Kapela, Marten, M. Mizuno, and Poepoe voting aye with reservations, with Representatives Alcos, Cochran, Garcia, Garrett, Hussey-Burdick, Kobayashi, Kong, Matayoshi, Nishimoto, Onishi, Perruso, Sayama, Takenouchi, and Ward voting no, and with Representatives Kitagawa, Lowen, and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1747-24) recommending that S.B. No. 3290, SD 2, HD 1 pass Third Reading.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 3290, SD 2, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE," passed Third Reading by a vote of 49 ayes, with Representatives Kitagawa and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1748-24) recommending that S.B. No. 2291, SD 2, HD 2 pass Third Reading.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2291, SD 2, HD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ADVISORY BOARDS," passed Third Reading by a vote of 49 ayes, with Representatives Kitagawa and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1749-24) recommending that S.B. No. 2503, SD 2, HD 2 pass Third Reading.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2503, SD 2, HD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EQUITY," passed Third Reading by a vote of 49 ayes, with Representatives Kitagawa and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1750-24) recommending that S.B. No. 2516, SD 2, HD 2 pass Third Reading.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2516, SD 2, HD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND GENERAL SERVICES," passed Third Reading by a vote of 49 ayes, with Representatives Kitagawa and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1751-24) recommending that S.B. No. 2536, SD 1, HD 1 pass Third Reading.

Representative Nakamura moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that S.B. No. 2536, SD 1, HD 1 pass Third Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

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

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

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

Representative Cochran rose and asked that the Clerk record a no vote 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. 2536, SD 1, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PROCUREMENT PREFERENCES AND RECIPROCITY," passed Third Reading by a vote of 46 ayes to 3 noes, with Representatives Amato and Garcia voting aye with reservations, with Representatives Aiu, Cochran, and Pierick voting no, and with Representatives Kitagawa and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1752-24) recommending that S.B. No. 2787, SD 2, HD 1 pass Third Reading.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2787, SD 2, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO IMMIGRATION," passed Third Reading by a vote of 47 ayes to 2 noes, with Representatives Garcia and Pierick voting no, and with Representatives Kitagawa and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1753-24) recommending that S.B. No. 3070, HD 1 pass Third Reading.

Representative Nakamura moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that S.B. No. 3070, HD 1 pass Third Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

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

"In support. This bill would help speed up the process to eliminate debt in the government, and that's a wonderful thing."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 3070, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM FUNDING PERIOD," passed Third Reading by a vote of 49 ayes, with Representatives Kitagawa and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1754-24) recommending that S.B. No. 2927, SD 1, HD 1 pass Third Reading.

Representative Nakamura moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that S.B. No. 2927, SD 1, HD 1 pass Third Reading, 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 S.B. No. 2927, SD 1, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE VI, SECTION 3 OF THE HAWAII CONSTITUTION TO MAKE THE SENATE CONFIRMATION PROCESS FOR JUDICIAL APPOINTMENTS MORE UNIFORM," passed Third Reading by a vote of 48 ayes to 1 no, with Representative Pierick voting no, and with Representatives Kitagawa and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1755-24) recommending that S.B. No. 3176, SD 1, HD 1 pass Third Reading.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 3176, SD 1, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TAX ENFORCEMENT," passed Third Reading by a vote of 49 ayes, with Representatives Kitagawa and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1756-24) recommending that S.B. No. 3236, HD 1 pass Third Reading.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 3236, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE LAND TRUST ACT," passed Third Reading by a vote of 49 ayes, with Representatives Kitagawa and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1757-24) recommending that S.B. No. 2216, SD 1, HD 1 pass Third Reading.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2216, SD 1, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE STATE ETHICS COMMISSION," passed Third Reading by a vote of 49 ayes, with Representatives Kitagawa and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1758-24) recommending that S.B. No. 2217, HD 1 pass Third Reading.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2217, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO REPORTING PERIODS," passed Third Reading by a vote of 49 ayes, with Representatives Kitagawa and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1759-24) recommending that S.B. No. 2405, HD 1 pass Third Reading.

Representative Nakamura moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that S.B. No. 2405, HD 1 pass Third Reading, 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."

Representative Ward 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 S.B. No. 2405, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CAMPAIGN FINANCE," passed Third Reading by a vote of 48 ayes to 1 no, with Representatives Garcia and Ward voting aye with reservations, with Representative Onishi voting no, and with Representatives Kitagawa and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1760-24) recommending that S.B. No. 2439, SD 1, HD 1 pass Third Reading.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2439, SD 1, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LIMITATION OF ACTIONS," passed Third Reading by a vote of 49 ayes, with Representatives Kitagawa and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1761-24) recommending that S.B. No. 2461, SD 2, HD 1 pass Third Reading.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2461, SD 2, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MEDICAL CANNABIS," passed Third Reading by a vote of 47 ayes to 2 noes, with Representatives Alcos and Ward voting no, and with Representatives Kitagawa and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1762-24) recommending that S.B. No. 2591, SD 2, HD 1 pass Third Reading.

Representative Nakamura moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that S.B. No. 2591, SD 2, HD 1 pass Third Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

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

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

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

"WR here. I appreciate fining people, but it's occurring right now where people are stating certain burials are on existing properties in Lahaina. And the owners walk up and go, well I didn't know, and the person is going, no, I'm telling you there's people here. So, I don't know where the enforcement is going to happen here. 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. 2591, SD 2, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO BURIAL SITES," passed Third Reading by a vote of 48 ayes to 1 no, with Representative Cochran voting aye with reservations, with Representative Pierick voting no, and with Representatives Kitagawa and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1763-24) recommending that S.B. No. 2601, HD 1 pass Third Reading.

Representative Nakamura moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that S.B. No. 2601, HD 1 pass Third Reading, 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."

Representative Hussey-Burdick rose to speak in support of the measure, stating:

"In support, brief comment. I'm just disappointed that this bill only applies to future crimes that are committed after July 1, 2024. And I would like to

see this body do more to provide justice for victims of crimes that happened in the past. 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. 2601, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SEXUAL ABUSE OF MINORS," passed Third Reading by a vote of 49 ayes, with Representative Garcia voting aye with reservations, and with Representatives Kitagawa and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1764-24) recommending that S.B. No. 2758, SD 1, HD 1 pass Third Reading.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2758, SD 1, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SEX TRAFFICKING," passed Third Reading by a vote of 49 ayes, with Representatives Kitagawa and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1765-24) recommending that S.B. No. 2861, SD 1, HD 1 pass Third Reading.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2861, SD 1, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EXCLUSIVE LISTING AGREEMENTS," passed Third Reading by a vote of 49 ayes, with Representatives Kitagawa and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1766-24) recommending that S.B. No. 2557, SD 1, HD 1 pass Third Reading.

Representative Nakamura moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that S.B. No. 2557, SD 1, HD 1 pass Third Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

Representative Hussey-Burdick rose to speak in opposition to the measure, stating:

"No vote, brief comment. My opposition stems from the fact that this would no longer require persons undergoing assisted community treatment to not be defended by a public defender. And I just think that in any situation regarding a court case, everyone deserves to have an attorney. Thank you."

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

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

"In support with brief comments. Assisted community treatment is basically something that's reserved for people who aren't able to make good decisions about their own health and safety and their impact on others as well. And we've seen that the public defenders always oppose these. They're not the people that are taking care of these patients and they're not the people that understand what is possible with medication and treatment. So, this would have healthcare providers that are experienced in this area make those decisions on behalf of the patients. And I think they are probably in a better position to do a good job. Thank you."

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

"I'm in opposition. This bill would remove the Office of the Public Defender from representing individuals whose body is being taken custody of by the state. Ordinarily, I absolutely agree with Office of the Public Defender. However, we're not replacing this representation with anything. We're not replacing them in statute with a qualified nonprofit such as the Legal Aid Society, any of the qualified nonprofits that operate throughout the state. For that reason, I am not in support. 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. 2557, SD 1, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LEGAL REPRESENTATION," passed Third Reading by a vote of 43 ayes to 6 noes, with Representatives Amato, Ganaden, Hussey-Burdick, Kapela, Perruso, and Poepoe voting no, and with Representatives Kitagawa and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1767-24) recommending that S.B. No. 1258, SD 2, HD 1 pass Third Reading.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 1258, SD 2, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES," passed Third Reading by a vote of 49 ayes, with Representatives Kitagawa and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1768-24) recommending that S.B. No. 2085, SD 2, HD 1 pass Third Reading.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2085, SD 2, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE STATE FIRE MARSHAL," passed Third Reading by a vote of 49 ayes, with Representatives Kitagawa and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1769-24) recommending that S.B. No. 2143, SD 1, HD 1 pass Third Reading.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2143, SD 1, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES," passed Third Reading by a vote of 49 ayes, with Representatives Kitagawa and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1770-24) recommending that S.B. No. 2182, HD 1 pass Third Reading.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2182, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO OCEAN STEWARDSHIP," passed Third Reading by a vote of 49 ayes, with Representatives Kitagawa and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1771-24) recommending that S.B. No. 2284, SD 2, HD 1 pass Third Reading.

Representative Nakamura moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that S.B. No. 2284, SD 2, HD 1 pass Third Reading, 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 S.B. No. 2284, SD 2, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO A WILDFIRE FORECAST SYSTEM FOR HAWAII," passed Third Reading by a vote of 48 ayes to 1 no, with Representative Pierick voting no, and with Representatives Kitagawa and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1772-24) recommending that S.B. No. 2512, SD 2, HD 2 pass Third Reading.

Representative Nakamura moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that S.B. No. 2512, SD 2, HD 2 pass Third Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

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

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

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise in opposition. We've just gone through a very serious emergency. And this particular measure says, hey, when we got an emergency, we've got to give the governor a mother-may-I of 14 days before the money is going to be released. I mean, that's counterintuitive to

the fact. When you have an emergency, time is of essence, time is of life, time is of keeping with what you're supposed to do in an emergency and that's make quick decisions, pay quickly with money, and not say..."

"Look, I respect everything that we have in the Constitution. We are the watchdogs. We are the ones that control the purse strings. But why we want to handcuff the governor for an emergency. Not handcuff, okay, that's a little bit extreme. Why do we want to delay release of money? We want to get everything, men, materials, women, assets, off the spot. I don't know of any other place that would have this. Because in the Constitution it says, the governor can move money around from the departments by the very right of he being the governor.

"Why do we want to do this? I don't know if somebody's got a sore bone about what happened in Maui or what happened with whatever, or it's because it's 2024 election. Why do we want to do this? I hope somebody stands up and says, Ward, you're wrong, and this is something that we really need because he's taken advantage of us.

"For those reasons, Mr. Speaker, why do we want to, after experiencing an emergency, lets prepare ourselves for one that's coming obviously somewhere down in the future. For those reasons, I would love to hear an explanation of the logic of this bill."

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

"Thank you, and I'll respond to the representative from Hawai'i Kai. In support. There needs to be more accountability, open and transparency, especially with the moneys that have been brought down to Lahaina, specifically. I mean, nine months later, billions of dollars later, there still has not one house built. The people of Lahaina want to know, where is all the money? I continuously see people on the parks, in cars, on the streets, in the beaches, committing suicide all the time. It's just, yeah, we want to know that trickle down, where has every penny gone. Because a lot of it has not fell upon the people to better their situations at this time. So, I would like to see some accountability and reporting. Thank you."

Representative Ward rose to respond, stating:

"Mr. Speaker, also in continual opposition. And I agree with the good representative from Maui. Accountability, we have. But this bill is about timing. Give him the opportunity to get the money quickly. And it's got to be accountable. You're not going to get accountability by giving 14 days. It's just not going to happen. So, of course, we have to be accountable. But this is moving quickly to get the fire or whatever it is that's happening to done quickly, and the governor is the one who can do this. For those reasons, Mr. Speaker, it's common sense. Don't shackle the governor. 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. 2512, SD 2, HD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT POWERS," passed Third Reading by a vote of 46 ayes to 3 noes, with Representatives Alcos, Pierick, and Ward voting no, and with Representatives Kitagawa and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1773-24) recommending that S.B. No. 2546, SD 1, HD 1 pass Third Reading.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2546, SD 1, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HUNTING GUIDES," passed Third Reading by a vote of 49 ayes, with Representatives Kitagawa and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1774-24) recommending that S.B. No. 2836, SD 2, HD 2 pass Third Reading.

Representative Nakamura moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that S.B. No. 2836, SD 2, HD 2 pass Third Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

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

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. WR. The comments come from a lot of state entities and, I'm just like, where is the County of Maui involved, where are comments from Lahaina Strong, any nonprofits? Our hospitals need nurses, our schools need teachers. I understand this is going to move forward and hopefully incorporate all of these entities, so that's great. So, hence my WR in moving this conversation forward. Thank you."

Representative Hussey-Burdick rose in support of the measure with reservations and asked that the remarks of Representative Cochran be entered into the Journal as her own, and the Chair "so ordered." (By reference only.)

Representative Belatti 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. 2836, SD 2, HD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MAUI'S PERMANENT HOUSING RECOVERY," passed Third Reading by a vote of 49 ayes, with Representatives Belatti, Cochran, and Hussey-Burdick voting aye with reservations, and with Representatives Kitagawa and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1775-24) recommending that S.B. No. 2951, SD 1, HD 1 pass Third Reading.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 2951, SD 1, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE EAST KAUAI IRRIGATION SYSTEM," passed Third Reading by a vote of 49 ayes, with Representatives Kitagawa and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1776-24) recommending that S.B. No. 3142, SD 2, HD 1 pass Third Reading.

On motion by Representative Nakamura, seconded by Representative Morikawa and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 3142, SD 2, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO WATER INFRASTRUCTURE," passed Third Reading by a vote of 49 ayes, with Representatives Kitagawa and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1777-24) recommending that S.B. No. 2502, SD 2, HD 1 pass Third Reading.

Representative Nakamura moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that S.B. No. 2502, SD 2, HD 1 pass Third Reading, 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 S.B. No. 2502, SD 2, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE GENERATION OF WILDFIRE SUSCEPTIBILITY MAPS FOR HAWAII," passed Third Reading by a vote of 48 ayes to 1 no, with Representative Pierick voting no, and with Representatives Kitagawa and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1778-24) recommending that S.B. No. 3157, SD 2, HD 2 pass Third Reading.

Representative Nakamura moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that S.B. No. 3157, SD 2, HD 2 pass Third Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

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

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. In support with strong reservations and brief comment. Mr. Speaker, I really want to express my thanks to the chairs of the Water & Land Committee, Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, and Finance Committee, because they did in fact amend this measure to really constrain the original request of DLNR to have unfettered ability to do direct negotiations for public land leases. The source of my reservations comes largely because we know how fraught and political the process has been around public land leases.

"In fact, all of those chairs on those previous committees and myself served on a select committee where we were analyzing and looking at the auditor's analysis of the handling of public land leases. And we know it is fraught with political uncertainties. And so, based on that experience, as well as the testimony from two groups, the League of Women Voters and UNITE HERE, in the committee before Finance, I'd just like to express what their concerns are.

"The League of Women Voters opposes this version because, 'eliminating competition for public commercial and industrial leases on parcels up to 5 acres will encourage "pay-to-play" political campaign contributions by lessees who want a lease extension and potentially could politicize the selection of lessees.' The League of Women Voters go on to suggest further safeguards that we might consider in this process, if we're going to allow the direct negotiation for public land leases.

"UNITE HERE cautions us to say, and says in their testimony in comment, that 'we continue to encourage this Committee to consider whether or not it is in the public's interest or the State's interest for any public land to be leased without going through the procurement process.'

"So, for these reasons, and as this bill continues to move ahead, Mr. Speaker, I vote with strong reservations. Thank you."

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

Representative Amato rose and asked that the Clerk record a no vote 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. 3157, SD 2, HD 2, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DIRECT NEGOTIATION FOR PUBLIC LAND LEASES," passed Third Reading by a vote of 44 ayes to 5 noes, with Representative Belatti voting aye with reservations, with Representatives Amato, Cochran, Hussey-Burdick, Kapela, and Perruso voting no, and with Representatives Kitagawa and Souza being excused.

Representative Yamashita, for the Committee on Finance, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 1779-24) recommending that S.B. No. 3207, SD 2, HD 1 pass Third Reading.

Representative Nakamura moved that the report of the Committee be adopted, and that S.B. No. 3207, SD 2, HD 1 pass Third Reading, seconded by Representative Morikawa.

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

"In opposition. This bill would allow, basically, the salary cap of the superintendent of the State of Hawai'i for the Department of Education to be removed. That salary cap currently is \$250,000, and I believe his pay at the moment is \$240,000. So, with the potential of his pay increasing by \$10,000, this bill would eliminate that to where it can go even higher and higher. When will it stop, \$300,000, \$400,000? That's a lot of money to go to the Department of Education superintendent.

"Let's compare that with the annual income of a teacher. It's nowhere near \$100,000. So, there's a big pay disparity between a teacher who's the boots on the ground with the children and the superintendent. So, I believe that we shouldn't be increasing the salary of the superintendent, especially with the ACT and SAT scores of Hawai'i being at a national average below many other states."

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

"Reservations, brief comment. I do want to say, I think the superintendent is actually doing quite a good job right now. The reason I'm with reservations, even though I voted no in committee, is because I think we do need some version of this bill to go forward. Right now, the cap is \$250,000 but it's going to go back down to \$150,000 if the sunset clause remains in the current statute, and I don't think that the superintendent should be taking a \$90,000 cut. Again, I think he's doing a good job.

"Uncapped seems maybe a little too far, though. I would like to see some kind of cap in this. The cap in the original bill was set at \$350,000. That still seems a little high to me, but I've heard the Board of Education is doing a study on what should be the appropriate salary for a superintendent, given our district, given our state size, given his responsibilities. If we are going to raise the cap, I would like it raised to a number defined by data and by that study. So, I think we should be waiting for that study to come through before we raise the cap. But I do want this bill, again, to go through just to eliminate at least the sunset date on it. Thank you."

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

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

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. In strong support. Excluding our superintendent's current salary, the average salary for superintendents for like school districts is \$379,000. Mr. Speaker, as it was mentioned, our superintendent currently makes \$240,000, which is the lowest in the group. However, if this proposal is not passed, there is a provisional sunset, which, as stated, would revert our superintendent's salary cap to \$150,000 annually.

"To me, Mr. Speaker, that just sends the wrong message. And what is to stop people from then saying that we should pay our administrators a fraction of a comparable salary, or our teachers a fraction of the current salary.

"And I want to speak to something that actually bothered me on the floor when this bill was considered previously in this chamber, because I think it was a direct attack on the superintendent. And someone stated that this particular superintendent has not done anything for the entirety of the system, that he has been ineffective. And that is just factually and empirically false.

"You can take a look at certain metrics. You could take a look at state-bystate comparisons. And when you do that, as an example, our fourth graders, their reading scores are in the top 10 in the nation. That is up from 39th in the country. From 39th to the top 10 under the leadership of this superintendent and his team, which would also be impacted by this bill. Our fourth-grade math scores have went from the bottom half to the top half. And I could draw other correlations as to how the superintendent, his team, the teachers, the administrators, all have worked together to improve preparedness for our students.

"And so, Mr. Speaker, I'm humbly requesting that the members do support this proposal. It is true, as it was mentioned, that this would allow the Board of Education to then set the salary of the superintendent. To me, that is appropriate. We allow the Board of Education to set standards. Standards dictate curriculum. Curriculum dictates preparedness. That is significantly more important than the superintendent's salary. And so, for these reasons and others, Mr. Speaker, I'm humbly asking my colleagues to please support this proposal. *Mahalo*."

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

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I rise in opposition. Mr. Speaker, allow me to list 10 reasons why this bill should not pass, or that this bill will lock in the status quo, of which not too many of us are always proud of what we have in the State of Hawai'i.

"This is kind of like news flashes, December 7, 2023, DOE calls off \$500 million worth of construction projects after failing to meet timelines. Half a billion dollars, well, we didn't know what was going on. Number two, February 8, 2024, DOE, 11 public schools fire alarms don't work and at least a dozen more need repair. I mean, that's rocket science. You can't fix fire alarms. The point is, if you're the superintendent, the buck stops there, the Harry Truman. I know you've got other people who may be the ones who fall on their sword, but that's not the case.

"Number three, August 7, 2023, thousands of Hawai'i classrooms lack AC. The DOE won't say which ones. Teachers say they're frustrated by a lack of transparency about how many AC units need to be installed and where. Number four, July 25, 2023, newsflash, DOE to suspend school bus service to 14 campuses amid ongoing driver shortage. Number five, June 29, 2023, investigation finds DOE wasted millions of dollars on solar-powered AC systems. Number six, February 12, 2024, the Hawai'i

Department of Education is nowhere close to meeting its mandate to buy more local food. The DOE has also failed to deliver a required annual update to state lawmakers on its progress.

"Number seven, and this goes to the good chair's statistics, 2022 to 2023 school year, 52% proficiency in language arts, 40% proficiency in math, 40% proficiency in science. Third grade literacy, reading near or above third grade level, 78%. On time graduation, 85%. Going to college, just 50%. Chronically absent students, 15 days or more, 30%. Mr. Speaker, do we want to reward this? I don't think so. America is a meritocracy. If you do well, you get advancement *vis-à-vis* salary increases, *et cetera*. This is going to lock us into a status quo.

"Look, there's nothing personally wrong with the particular individual. He is doing well, we just got to do better as a state. Because it's not about him, it's about our *keiki* and about the state of the art of what we need with the brains that what we can do as a state in the middle of the Pacific that needs these people to be more educated than what we have today. For those reasons, Mr. Speaker. Let's not reward meritocracy."

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

"Thank you, in support. I'll be brief, but I would just note that if we were to look at articles about the Legislature, we'd probably find a lot of reasons to cut our own salaries. It's not a good justification, just by looking at headlines to make these determinations.

"And that actually supports my argument for why we should have an uncapped salary figure, which is that an inherently political body, like the Legislature, should not be making these decisions. We don't make decisions on our own salaries. We don't set the salary for the governor or department heads, which are the most similar jobs to being the superintendent. We have a salary commission that is specifically designed to be an apolitical body to make those recommendations to us, and not the other way around. I think we can rely on the Board of Education, which is a non-elected body, to be that impartial, when necessary, to set a number that they believe is appropriate.

"And I would just note that while \$250,000 definitely is a lot of money and sounds like a lot of money, relative to a two-plus billion-dollar budget, if you were to look in the private sector, that is a very minuscule amount. And if we were to compare it to teacher pay, my wife is a teacher, in full disclosure. If you look at that as a multiplier, the average teacher is making about a quarter, give or take, of what the superintendent makes. If you look at any private sector industry and you compare CEO pay to an average employee, that number is astronomically higher. I think that's a very reasonable figure. I think we can rely on the board to make that determination.

"And we should also note that anything we set in effect does not apply specifically to this superintendent but to that position in general and would affect future superintendents as well. So, using job performance, positive or negative, for a current superintendent to make this determination is not appropriate in my mind. Thank you."

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

"In opposition with a brief comment. I want to thank the chair of Education for his work on this measure. And I recognize the situation that has brought us here. I continue to be opposed to this particular approach to the problem, in part specifically because I lack the kind of confidence that my colleague has in the Board of Education. So, because our Board of Education is no longer elected, they are buffered from public sentiment, they are not accountable to the public, they're appointed by the governor. And I think that it's really important that the Legislature maintain a relationship and a negotiating role in the salary of the superintendent. Because I think that it is our role and responsibility to be engaged in the determination of his or her salary. Thank you."

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

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. In support. And I'd like to adopt the words of the chair of the Education Committee, as well as the chair of the Transportation Committee, as my own." Representative Kila rose to speak in support of the measure with reservations, stating:

"Reservations, brief comment. I will say, as a former bus driver, I do applaud the new superintendent's way to solve some of the issues that they've inherited."

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

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

Representative Ward rose to respond, stating:

"Mr. Speaker, second time in opposition. Let me be very clear, it's not about money. This bill is not about money, this bill is about performance. I mean, I would pay \$500,000, \$750,000 to the superintendent if it puts us up in the top one, or two, or three in the nation. That our kids are the smartest, they all go to MIT or Harvard or wherever. It's not about money. Look, we've got money to pay this stuff. I mean, that's nickel and diming. The argument about money is not the issue. The issue is performance and getting us all uplifted in math, science, and all the other things that we need. To me, this is the issue. We're arguing dollars and cents, it doesn't make sense. It's about performance. That's what we need in the DOE. Thank you."

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

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

At 2:00 p.m., Representative Nakamura requested a recess and the Chair declared a recess subject to the call of the Chair.

The House of Representatives reconvened at 2:01 p.m.

Representative Pierick rose to respond, stating:

"In opposition for the second time. Thank you. It was discussed earlier about how the salary commission sets the salary for legislators, and the Board of Education would then, in this bill, set the salary for the superintendent. Allow me to just bring light to who gets to be those people on the salary commission and the Board of Education. To be a member of the Board of Education, the governor would select somebody, and then that person needs to be confirmed by the Senate. So, in other words, if you're a friend of the governor and you do well enough in the Senate, win the committees, you become a member of the Board of Education. And then one of those members can get selected to become the superintendent.

"So, we have a part to say in all of this process of what their salary is, because we're voting on this measure to cap their salary or not. And then our colleagues in the Senate, they get a say-"

Representative Ganaden rose to a point of order, stating:

"Point of order, Mr. Speaker. Friend of the governor sort of implies an ethical distinction that I think should be stricken from the record."

At 2:02 p.m., the Chair declared a recess subject to the call of the Chair.

The House of Representatives reconvened at 2:03 p.m.

Representative Pierick continued, stating:

"Thank you, Mr. Speaker. So, we've just defined how you get appointed to the Board of Education, how they select the superintendent, and how that pay is unfolded. With regards to the salary commission, we as members of the House of Representatives, we do have a part to play in that. And according to this document, two members of the salary commission shall be appointed by the governor, two members shall be appointed by the president of the Senate, two members shall be appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives. We all select the speaker of the House, so we have a part to say in that. And one member shall be appointed by the chief justice of the Supreme Court. We decide the salary of the chief justice of the Supreme Court. We very much, as representatives, have a part to play in the salary commission and the Board of Education, and so, we should vote no on this bill to not let the salary of the superintendent exceed \$250,000.

COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS

The following measures were referred to committee by the Speaker:

"If I'm a worker and I'm working hard and my part of my income gets taken out into the state budget, into the line item for the Department of Education. If I'm only making \$70,000 a year and I know that \$16,000 of my taxes, maybe not mine specifically, but that line item of like \$2.1 billion in the Department of Education is going towards an exorbitant salary of the superintendent, I don't think most of the Hawai'i residents would support that. So, I'm voting no."

The motion was put to vote by the Chair and carried, and the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 3207, SD 2, HD 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION," passed Third Reading by a vote of 37 ayes to 12 noes, with Representatives Chun, Gates, Kila, Lamosao, Martinez, and Matayoshi voting aye with reservations, with Representatives Aiu, Alcos, Amato, Garcia, Hussey-Burdick, Kapela, Matsumoto, Perruso, Pierick, Poepoe, Tam, and Ward voting no, and with Representatives Kitagawa and Souza being excused.

At 2:08 p.m., the Chair noted that the following bills passed Third Reading:

S.B. No. 3290, SD 2, HD 1 S.B. No. 2291, SD 2, HD 2 S.B. No. 2503, SD 2, HD 2 S.B. No. 2516, SD 2, HD 2 S.B. No. 2536, SD 1, HD 1 S.B. No. 2787, SD 2, HD 1 S.B. No. 3070, HD 1 S.B. No. 2927, SD 1, HD 1 S.B. No. 3176, SD 1, HD 1 S.B. No. 3236, HD 1 S.B. No. 2216, SD 1, HD 1 S.B. No. 2217, HD 1 S.B. No. 2405, HD 1 S.B. No. 2439, SD 1, HD 1 S.B. No. 2461, SD 2, HD 1 S.B. No. 2591, SD 2, HD 1 S.B. No. 2601, HD 1 S.B. No. 2758, SD 1, HD 1 S.B. No. 2861, SD 1, HD 1 S.B. No. 2557, SD 1, HD 1 S.B. No. 1258, SD 2, HD 1 S.B. No. 2085, SD 2, HD 1 S.B. No. 2143, SD 1, HD 1 S.B. No. 2182, HD 1 S.B. No. 2284, SD 2, HD 1 S.B. No. 2512, SD 2, HD 2 S.B. No. 2546, SD 1, HD 1 S.B. No. 2836, SD 2, HD 2 S.B. No. 2951, SD 1, HD 1 S.B. No. 3142, SD 2, HD 1 S.B. No. 2502, SD 2, HD 1 S.B. No. 3157, SD 2, HD 2 S.B. No. 3207, SD 2, HD 1

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Representative Lamosao: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'd like to invite everyone here, next month, May 4th, for the Filipino Fiesta. And this year's theme is celebrating a resilient community. So, save the date, May 4th, from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. at the Filipino Community Center. Thank you."

Representative Garcia: "Just an announcement, following floor session right now is our fellowship luncheon, guest speaker Lieutenant Colonel Timothy Crawley, who was in the gallery earlier, deputy command chaplain at U.S. Pacific Command in Room 423."

Representative Onishi: "Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I'd like to announce, and you should have gotten notice, that the Festival of Pacific is going to be presenting an update on the upcoming festival in January from the 6th to the 16th. It's going to be held in Room 309, starts at 11:00 a.m., and lunch will be provided. This briefing is only open to legislators. Thank you."

<u>S.C.R.</u> <u>Nos.</u> <u>Referred to:</u>

- 3, Committee on Water & Land
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- 6, Committee on Water & Land, then to the Committee on Finance SD1
- 13, Committee on Culture, Arts, & International Affairs
- 23, Committee on Health & Homelessness, then to the Committee on SD1 Consumer Protection & Commerce
- 27, Committee on Corrections, Military, & Veterans, then to the SD1 Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs
- 43, Committee on Housing SD1
- 45, Committee on Housing, then to the Committee on Finance SD1
- 58, Committee on Housing, then to the Committee on Finance SD1
- 60, Committee on Housing, then to the Committee on Finance
- 61, Committee on Housing
- 80, Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce, then to theSD1 Committee on Finance
- 81, Committee on Health & Homelessness, then to the Committee on SD1 Finance
- 87 Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs
- 109 Committee on Human Services, then to the Committee on Finance
- 114 Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs
- 142, Committee on Education, then to the Committee on Finance SD1
- 175 Committee on Human Services, then to the Committee on Finance
- 177 Committee on Human Services, then to the Committee on Finance
- 188, Committee on Human Services, then to the Committee on Finance SD1
- 197 Jointly to the Committee on Water & Land and the Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce

ADJOURNMENT

At 2:10 p.m., on motion by Representative Morikawa, seconded by Representative Garcia and carried, the House of Representatives adjourned until noon tomorrow, Friday, April 5, 2024. (Representatives Kitagawa and Souza were excused.)