TWENTY-FIRST DAY

Thursday, February 15, 2001

The Senate of the Twenty-First Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2001, convened at 11:45 o'clock a.m. with the President in the Chair.

The Divine Blessing was invoked by Pastor Calvin Chinen, Moanalua Gardens Missionary Church, after which the Roll was called showing all Senators present with the exception of Senator Matsunaga who was excused.

The President announced that he had read and approved the Journal of the Twentieth Day.

HOUSE COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications from the House (Hse. Com. Nos. 10 to 16) were read by the Clerk and were disposed of as follows:

Hse. Com. No. 10, transmitting H.B. No. 523, which passed Third Reading in the House of Representatives on February 13, 2001, was placed on file.

On motion by Senator English, seconded by Senator Hemmings and carried, H.B. No. 523, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE UNAUTHORIZED PRACTICE OF LAW," passed First Reading by title and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Hse. Com. No. 11, transmitting H.B. No. 1538, which passed Third Reading in the House of Representatives on February 13, 2001, was placed on file.

On motion by Senator English, seconded by Senator Hemmings and carried, H.B. No. 1538, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE UNIFORM CHILD-CUSTODY JURISDICTION AND ENFORCEMENT ACT," passed First Reading by title and was referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services, then to the Committee on Judiciary.

Hse. Com. No. 12, transmitting H.B. No. 201, H.D. 1, which passed Third Reading in the House of Representatives on February 14, 2001, was placed on file.

On motion by Senator English, seconded by Senator Hemmings and carried, H.B. No. 201, H.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE PRIVACY OF HEALTH CARE INFORMATION ACT," passed First Reading by title and was referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services, then jointly to the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Housing and the Committee on Judiciary.

Hse. Com. No. 13, transmitting H.B. No. 586, H.D. 1, which passed Third Reading in the House of Representatives on February 14, 2001, was placed on file.

On motion by Senator English, seconded by Senator Hemmings and carried, H.B. No. 586, H.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE CONVERSION OF PROFESSIONAL AND VOCATIONAL LICENSES," passed First Reading by title and was referred to the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Housing. Hse. Com. No. 14, transmitting H.B. No. 653, H.D. 1, which passed Third Reading in the House of Representatives on February 14, 2001, was placed on file.

On motion by Senator English, seconded by Senator Hemmings and carried, H.B. No. 653, H.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT INSURANCE BENEFITS," passed First Reading by title and was referred to the Committee on Health and Human Services, then to the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Housing.

Hse. Com. No. 15, transmitting H.B. No. 1004, H.D. 1, which passed Third Reading in the House of Representatives on February 14, 2001, was placed on file.

On motion by Senator English, seconded by Senator Hemmings and carried, H.B. No. 1004, H.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ORIGINAL JURISDICTION OF THE HAWAII SUPREME COURT," passed First Reading by title and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Hse. Com. No. 16, transmitting H.B. No. 1127, which passed Third Reading in the House of Representatives on February 14, 2001, was placed on file.

On motion by Senator English, seconded by Senator Hemmings and carried, H.B. No. 1127, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO STATEMENTS OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES OF HAWAII FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS," passed First Reading by title and was referred to the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Housing.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Senator Matsuura, for the Committee on Health and Human Services, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 216) recommending that S.B. No. 78, as amended in S.D. 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Housing.

On motion by Senator English, seconded by Senator Hemmings and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 78, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MENTAL HEALTH," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Housing.

Senator Matsuura, for the Committee on Health and Human Services, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 217) recommending that S.B. No. 654, as amended in S.D. 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator English, seconded by Senator Hemmings and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 654, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MEDICAID," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senator Matsuura, for the Committee on Health and Human Services, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 218) recommending that S.B. No. 869 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator English, seconded by Senator Hemmings and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 869, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EXEMPTION FROM THE GENERAL EXCISE TAX FOR NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senator Matsuura, for the Committee on Health and Human Services, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 219) recommending that S.B. No. 1114 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator English, seconded by Senator Hemmings and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 1114, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senator Matsuura, for the Committee on Health and Human Services, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 220) recommending that S.B. No. 1125, as amended in S.D. 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

On motion by Senator English, seconded by Senator Hemmings and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 1125, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ADVANCE DIRECTIVES FOR PSYCHIATRIC CARE," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senator Matsuura, for the Committee on Health and Human Services, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 221) recommending that S.B. No. 1127 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator English, seconded by Senator Hemmings and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 1127, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION TO THE CHILD AND ADOLESCENT MENTAL HEALTH DIVISION," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senator Matsuura, for the Committee on Health and Human Services, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 222) recommending that S.B. No. 1237, as amended in S.D. 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator English, seconded by Senator Hemmings and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 1237, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC ASSISTANCE," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senator Matsuura, for the Committee on Health and Human Services, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 223) recommending that S.B. No. 1338 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator English, seconded by Senator Hemmings and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 1338, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DENTISTS," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senator Matsuura, for the Committee on Health and Human Services, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 224) recommending that S.B. No. 1532, as amended in S.D. 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator English, seconded by Senator Hemmings and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 1532, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO A DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senators Chun, Kanno and Inouye, for the Committee on Hawaiian Affairs, the Committee on Judiciary and the Committee on Water, Land, Energy, and Environment, presented a joint report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 225) recommending that S.B. No. 107 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator English, seconded by Senator Hemmings and carried, the joint report of the Committees was adopted and S.B. No. 107, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE PUBLIC LAND TRUST," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senator Menor, for the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Housing, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 226) recommending that S.B. No. 1076, as amended in S.D. 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

On motion by Senator English, seconded by Senator Hemmings and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 1076, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO BUSINESS REGISTRATION," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senator Inouye, for the Committee on Water, Land, Energy, and Environment, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 227) recommending that S.B. No. 981, as amended in S.D. 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

On motion by Senator English, seconded by Senator Hemmings and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 981, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE BOARD OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senator Inouye, for the Committee on Water, Land, Energy, and Environment, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 228) recommending that S.B. No. 1259 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator English, seconded by Senator Hemmings and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 1259, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR WAIPIO VALLEY," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senator Inouye, for the Committee on Water, Land, Energy, and Environment, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 229) recommending that S.B. No. 1262 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator English, seconded by Senator Hemmings and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 1262, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senator Inouye, for the Committee on Water, Land, Energy, and Environment, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 230) recommending that S.B. No. 1265 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator English, seconded by Senator Hemmings and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 1265, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE ALA WAI WATERSHED," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senator Inouye, for the Committee on Water, Land, Energy, and Environment, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 231) recommending that S.B. No. 1473, as amended in S.D. 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator English, seconded by Senator Hemmings and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 1473, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PLANNING," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senators Inouye and Buen, for the Committee on Water, Land, Energy, and Environment and the Committee on Agriculture, presented a joint report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 232) recommending that S.B. No. 12, as amended in S.D. 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator English, seconded by Senator Hemmings and carried, the joint report of the Committees was adopted and S.B. No. 12, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR THE LOWER HAMAKUA DITCH," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senators Inouye and Kawamoto, for the Committee on Water, Land, Energy, and Environment and the Committee on Transportation, Military Affairs, and Government Operations, presented a joint report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 233) recommending that S.B. No. 1011 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator English, seconded by Senator Hemmings and carried, the joint report of the Committees was adopted and S.B. No. 1011, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEMS," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senator Inouye, for the Committee on Water, Land, Energy, and Environment, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 234) recommending that S.B. No. 1561 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator English, seconded by Senator Hemmings and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 1561, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senator Kim, for the Committee on Tourism and Intergovernmental Affairs, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 235) recommending that S.B. No. 178, as amended in S.D. 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Housing.

On motion by Senator English, seconded by Senator Hemmings and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 178, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CONDOMINIUM PROPERTY REGIMES," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Housing.

Senator Kanno, for the Committee on Judiciary, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 236) recommending that S.B. No. 424, as amended in S.D. 1, pass Second Reading and be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary.

On motion by Senator English, seconded by Senator Hemmings and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 424, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COURTS," passed Second Reading and was recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senator Kanno, for the Committee on Judiciary, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 237) recommending that S.B. No. 430, as amended in S.D. 1, pass Second Reading and be recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary.

On motion by Senator English, seconded by Senator Hemmings and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 430, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PROBATE," passed Second Reading and was recommitted to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senators Inouye and Buen, for the Committee on Water, Land, Energy, and Environment and the Committee on Agriculture, presented a joint report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 238) recommending that S.B. No. 606, as amended in S.D. 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator English, seconded by Senator Hemmings and carried, the joint report of the Committees was adopted and S.B. No. 606, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO RECYCLED WATER," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senator Kanno, for the Committee on Judiciary, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 239) recommending that S.B. No. 64, as amended in S.D. 1, pass Second Reading and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

On motion by Senator English, seconded by Senator Hemmings and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 64, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CRIME," passed Second Reading and was placed on the calendar for Third Reading on Tuesday, February 20, 2001.

Senator Kanno, for the Committee on Judiciary, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 240) recommending that S.B. No. 478, as amended in S.D. 1, pass Second Reading and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

On motion by Senator English, seconded by Senator Hemmings and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 478, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PATHOLOGICAL INTOXICATION," passed Second Reading and was placed on the calendar for Third Reading on Tuesday, February 20, 2001.

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Senator Kanno, for the Committee on Judiciary, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 241) recommending that S.B. No. 726, as amended in S.D. 1, pass Second Reading and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

On motion by Senator English, seconded by Senator Hemmings and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 726, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ASSAULT," passed Second Reading and was placed on the calendar for Third Reading on Tuesday, February 20, 2001.

Senators Inouye and Kawamoto, for the Committee on Water, Land, Energy, and Environment and the Committee on Transportation, Military Affairs, and Government Operations, presented a joint report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 242) recommending that S.B. No. 754 pass Second Reading and be placed on the calendar for Third Reading.

On motion by Senator English, seconded by Senator Hemmings and carried, the joint report of the Committees was adopted and S.B. No. 754, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MARITIME LANDS," passed Second Reading and was placed on the calendar for Third Reading on Tuesday, February 20, 2001.

Senators Kim and Kawamoto, for the Committee on Tourism and Intergovernmental Affairs and the Committee on Transportation, Military Affairs, and Government Operations, presented a joint report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 243) recommending that S.B. No. 73 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

On motion by Senator English, seconded by Senator Hemmings and carried, the joint report of the Committees was adopted and S.B. No. 73, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO STATE AND COUNTY IMMUNITY FROM LIABILITY," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senators Kim and Kawamoto, for the Committee on Tourism and Intergovernmental Affairs and the Committee on Transportation, Military Affairs, and Government Operations, presented a joint report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 244) recommending that S.B. No. 190 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

On motion by Senator English, seconded by Senator Hemmings and carried, the joint report of the Committees was adopted and S.B. No. 190, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COUNTIES," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senators Kawamoto and Tam, for the Committee on Transportation, Military Affairs, and Government Operations and the Committee on Economic Development and Technology, presented a joint report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 245) recommending that S.B. No. 216 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

On motion by Senator English, seconded by Senator Hemmings and carried, the joint report of the Committees was adopted and S.B. No. 216, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO WATERCRAFT," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senator Kawamoto, for the Committee on Transportation, Military Affairs, and Government Operations, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 246) recommending that S.B. No. 459, as amended in S.D. 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means. On motion by Senator English, seconded by Senator Hemmings and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 459, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE KAHULUI ARMORY," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senator Kawamoto, for the Committee on Transportation, Military Affairs, and Government Operations, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 247) recommending that S.B. No. 559, as amended in S.D. 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator English, seconded by Senator Hemmings and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 559, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PROFESSIONAL SERVICE CONTRACTS," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senators Kawamoto and Kim, for the Committee on Transportation, Military Affairs, and Government Operations and the Committee on Tourism and Intergovernmental Affairs, presented a joint report of the majority of the Committees (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 248) recommending that S.B. No. 758, as amended in S.D. 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator English, seconded by Senator Hemmings and carried, the joint report of the majority of the Committees was adopted and S.B. No. 758, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DRIVER'S LICENSES," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senator Kawamoto, for the Committee on Transportation, Military Affairs, and Government Operations, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 249) recommending that S.B. No. 1203, as amended in S.D. 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Water, Land, Energy, and Environment.

On motion by Senator English, seconded by Senator Hemmings and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 1203, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO INCREASING DEVELOPMENT FLEXIBILITY OF PUBLIC LANDS," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Water, Land, Energy, and Environment.

Senator Kawamoto, for the Committee on Transportation, Military Affairs, and Government Operations, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 250) recommending that S.B. No. 1484 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

On motion by Senator English, seconded by Senator Hemmings and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 1484, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senator Kawamoto, for the Committee on Transportation, Military Affairs, and Government Operations, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 251) recommending that S.B. No. 1524 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary. On motion by Senator English, seconded by Senator Hemmings and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 1524, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO OBSTRUCTING GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senators Kawamoto and Kanno, for the Committee on Transportation, Military Affairs, and Government Operations and the Committee on Judiciary, presented a joint report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 252) recommending that S.B. No. 1599, as amended in S.D. 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator English, seconded by Senator Hemmings and carried, the joint report of the Committees was adopted and S.B. No. 1599, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PENALTIES AND PROCEDURES ON ARREST," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senator Kawamoto, for the Committee on Transportation, Military Affairs, and Government Operations, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 253) recommending that S.B. No. 1603, as amended in S.D. 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

On motion by Senator English, seconded by Senator Hemmings and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 1603, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ALCOHOL, DRUGS, AND HIGHWAY SAFETY," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senators Kawamoto and Kanno, for the Committee on Transportation, Military Affairs, and Government Operations and the Committee on Judiciary, presented a joint report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 254) recommending that S.B. No. 1606, as amended in S.D. 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator English, seconded by Senator Hemmings and carried, the joint report of the Committees was adopted and S.B. No. 1606, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF INTOXICATING LIQUOR," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senator Nakata, for the Committee on Labor, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 255) recommending that S.B. No. 43, as amended in S.D. 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator English, seconded by Senator Hemmings and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 43, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senator Nakata, for the majority of the Committee on Labor, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 256) recommending that S.B. No. 446, as amended in S.D. 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator English, seconded by Senator Hemmings and carried, the report of the majority of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 446, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means. Senator Nakata, for the majority of the Committee on Labor, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 257) recommending that S.B. No. 729 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

On motion by Senator English, seconded by Senator Hemmings and carried, the report of the majority of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 729, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LABOR DISPUTES," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Senator Nakata, for the Committee on Labor, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 258) recommending that S.B. No. 1045 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator English, seconded by Senator Hemmings and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 1045, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION FOR HEALTH FUND PREMIUMS," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senator Nakata, for the Committee on Labor, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 259) recommending that S.B. No. 1046 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator English, seconded by Senator Hemmings and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 1046, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES HEALTH FUND," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senator Nakata, for the Committee on Labor, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 260) recommending that S.B. No. 1052 pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator English, seconded by Senator Hemmings and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 1052, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Senator Nakata, for the Committee on Labor, presented a report (Stand. Com. Rep. No. 261) recommending that S.B. No. 1115, as amended in S.D. 1, pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

On motion by Senator English, seconded by Senator Hemmings and carried, the report of the Committee was adopted and S.B. No. 1115, S.D. 1, entitled: "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN RESOURCES," passed Second Reading and was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

ORDER OF THE DAY

RE-REFERRAL OF SENATE BILLS

The Chair re-referred the following Senate bills that were introduced:

Senate Bill Referred to:

No. 605 Committee on Agriculture, then jointly to the Committee on Judiciary and the Committee on Ways and Means

No. 723 Committee on Judiciary, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

No. 840, S.D. 1 Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Housing, then jointly to the Committee on Judiciary and the Committee on Ways and Means

No. 1348 Committee on Ways and Means

Senator Inouye, for the Committee on Water, Land, Energy, and Environment, requested a waiver of the notice requirement pursuant to Senate Rule 20 for S.B. No. 1558, and the Chair granted the waiver.

Senator Matsuura, for the Committee on Health and Human Services, requested a waiver of the notice requirement pursuant to Senate Rule 20 for the following Senate Bills:

S.B. No. 86; S.B. No. 88; S.B. No. 157; S.B. No. 235; S.B. No. 250; S.B. No. 979; S.B. No. 921; S.B. No. 957; S.B. No. 957; S.B. No. 991; S.B. No. 992; S.B. No. 1182; S.B. No. 11295; and S.B. No. 1295; and S.B. No. 1455,

and the Chair granted the waiver.

Senator Menor, for the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Housing, requested a waiver of the notice requirement pursuant to Senate Rule 20 for the following Senate Bills:

S.B. No. 61; S.B. No. 331; S.B. No. 1131; and S.B. No. 1136,

and the Chair granted the waiver.

Senator Slom rose on a point of personal privilege as follows:

"Mr. President, I rise on a point of personal privilege.

"We've completed one-third of the Session, meaning that we have two-thirds to go, and the skepticism I think that was apparent from the public at the beginning is probably thicker now than it was at that time. We have not really done anything to mitigate the concerns of the public – their concerns that we would not really accomplish anything major. We've not really moved along any major tax reduction or standard of living increases, although we're now moving along a tax increase. We've got several other measures that would increase the cost of doing business, the cost of living in this State. We haven't really done anything to downsize government or to realign or streamline government. We haven't done anything to solve the problems that have been brought on by the labor negotiations and the many salary demands. "But what we have done, though, is been very creative in overlapping hearing schedules and in the passage of voluminous omnibus bills on to the next committee, generally Ways and Means.

"We should not be satisfied. We can be patient – as you know, Mr. President, I'm a very patient individual – but we have to remember that in that two-thirds time that we've got to come forward and accomplish the things that we said that we all believe in and that we want to do. We've got to make those our priorities and not get caught up in the minutia . . . keep our eye on the focus of these activities that the public keeps telling us over and over again are most important.

"So I will remain patient, Mr. President, but I will also remain observant and participate in the process that hopefully will move us along.

"Thank you."

ADJOURNMENT

At 12:02 o'clock p.m., on motion by Senator English, seconded by Senator Hemmings and carried, the Senate adjourned until 11:30 o'clock a.m., Friday, February 16, 2001.

Respectfully submitted,

Clerk of the Senate

Approved:

President of the Senate