

FOURTH DAY

Tuesday, January 21, 2014

The Senate of the Twenty-Seventh Legislature of the State of Hawai'i, Regular Session of 2014, convened at 9:15 a.m. with the President in the Chair.

The Roll was called showing all Senators present with the exception of Senators English and Kouchi who were excused.

The President announced that she had read and approved the Journal of the Third Day.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions (S.C.R. Nos. 7 to 12) were read by the Clerk and were deferred:

S.C.R. No. 7 "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII TO AFFIRM THEIR COMMITMENT TO UPHOLDING THE TENETS OF TITLE IX AND THE VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN ACT 2013 AND THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII'S DEDICATION TO ENDING ALL FORMS OF SEXUAL VIOLENCE ON HAWAII CAMPUSES THROUGH A REPORT ON THE STATUS OF TITLE IX AND VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN ACT 2013 POLICIES, PROCEDURES, STAFFING, AND STATISTICS."

Offered by: Senators Baker, Chun Oakland, Shimabukuro, Solomon, Tokuda, Kidani, Thielen.

S.C.R. No. 8 "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU TO NAME THE NEW CENTRAL OAHU AMBULANCE FACILITY AFTER THE LATE LORETTA FUDDY, DIRECTOR OF HEALTH."

Offered by: Senators Kidani, Baker, Chun Oakland, Shimabukuro, Solomon, Tokuda, Hee, Thielen.

S.C.R. No. 9 "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE REESTABLISHMENT OF STATE-PROVINCE RELATIONS OF FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN THE STATE OF HAWAII AND THE PROVINCE OF ILOCOS NORTE OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES."

Offered by: Senator Galuteria.

S.C.R. No. 10 "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING THE COMMISSIONING AND FUNDING OF WATER RESOURCE AND HEALTH BASELINE STUDIES TO BE DONE PRIOR TO FUTURE GEOTHERMAL DRILLING AND DEVELOPMENT."

Offered by: Senators Ruderman, Chun Oakland.

S.C.R. No. 11 "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION REQUESTING A SUNRISE ANALYSIS OF THE PROPOSED LICENSING OF COLON HYDROTHERAPISTS AND COLON HYDROTHERAPY ESTABLISHMENTS."

Offered by: Senators English, Chun Oakland, Kahele, Solomon, Dela Cruz, Espero, Gabbard, Hee, Ige, Ihara, Keith-Agaran, Kidani, Nishihara, Shimabukuro, Thielen, Tokuda, Wakai.

S.C.R. No. 12 "SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF A

LEASE AND EASEMENT OF CERTAIN SUBMERGED LANDS AT MANELE BAY, LANA'I, TO LANA'I RESORTS, LLC."

Offered by: Senator English.

SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following resolutions (S.R. Nos. 6 to 9) were read by the Clerk and were deferred:

S.R. No. 6 "SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII TO AFFIRM THEIR COMMITMENT TO UPHOLDING THE TENETS OF TITLE IX AND THE VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN ACT 2013 AND THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII'S DEDICATION TO ENDING ALL FORMS OF SEXUAL VIOLENCE ON HAWAII CAMPUSES THROUGH A REPORT ON THE STATUS OF TITLE IX AND VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN ACT 2013 POLICIES, PROCEDURES, STAFFING, AND STATISTICS."

Offered by: Senators Baker, Chun Oakland, Shimabukuro, Solomon, Tokuda, Kidani, Thielen.

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Offered by: Senators Kidani, Baker, Chun Oakland, Solomon, Tokuda, Thielen.

S.R. No. 8 "SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE REESTABLISHMENT OF STATE-PROVINCE RELATIONS OF FRIENDSHIP BETWEEN THE STATE OF HAWAII AND THE PROVINCE OF ILOCOS NORTE OF THE REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES."

Offered by: Senator Galuteria.

S.R. No. 9 "SENATE RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING THE COMMISSIONING AND FUNDING OF WATER RESOURCE AND HEALTH BASELINE STUDIES TO BE DONE PRIOR TO FUTURE GEOTHERMAL DRILLING AND DEVELOPMENT."

Offered by: Senators Ruderman, Ihara.

ORDER OF THE DAY

ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION

MATTER DEFERRED FROM THURSDAY, JANUARY 16, 2014

S.R. No. 2:

Senator Espero moved that S.R. No. 2 be adopted, seconded by Senator Slom.

Senator Slom rose to make the following remarks:

"Yes, Madam President, could someone please give a brief description as to why this amendment was made?"

The Chair directed Senator Galuteria to respond.

Senator Galuteria responded as follows:

"Well, Madam President, the rule amendment was made basically to address the 'gut and replace' situation in the process, and that's why it was amended in its present form. Thank you."

The motion was put by the Chair and carried, S.R. No. 2, entitled: "SENATE RESOLUTION AMENDING RULE 46 OF THE RULES OF THE SENATE OF THE TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII," was adopted.

ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION

MATTER DEFERRED FROM FRIDAY, JANUARY 17, 2014

S.R. No. 3:

Senator Espero moved that S.R. No. 3 be adopted, seconded by Senator Slom.

Senator Slom rose to speak on a point of inquiry as follows:

"Will there be subpoena powers with this committee?"

The Chair responded in the affirmative.

The motion was put by the Chair and carried, S.R. No. 3, entitled: "SENATE RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING A SENATE SPECIAL INVESTIGATIVE COMMITTEE TO CONDUCT AN INVESTIGATION OF THE WORKPLACE SAFETY OF PSYCHIATRIC WORKERS AND ALLEGATIONS OF ADMINISTRATIVE IMPROPRIETIES AND FAILURE TO CONFORM TO ESTABLISHED EMPLOYMENT POLICIES AND PRACTICES AT THE HAWAII STATE HOSPITAL," was adopted.

FIRST READING

On motion by Senator Espero, seconded by Senator Slom and carried, the following bills passed First Reading by title and were referred to committee:

S.B. No. 2382 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HABITUAL PROPERTY CRIME."

Referred to: Committee on Judiciary and Labor, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

S.B. No. 2383 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO UNAUTHORIZED ENTRY INTO MOTOR VEHICLE."

Referred to: Committee on Judiciary and Labor, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

S.B. No. 2384 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THEFT OF PERSONAL ELECTRONIC DEVICES."

Referred to: Committee on Technology and the Arts, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor

S.B. No. 2385 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PAWNBROKERS AND SECONDHAND DEALERS."

Referred to: Jointly to the Committee on Technology and the Arts, the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, and the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, then jointly to the Committee on Ways and Means and the Committee on Judiciary and Labor

S.B. No. 2386 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SALES ADVERTISEMENTS FOR STOLEN PROPERTY."

Referred to: Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor

S.B. No. 2387 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTRONIC MONITORING OF CRIMINAL OFFENDERS."

Referred to: Committee on Judiciary and Labor, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

S.B. No. 2388 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL LAND."

Referred to: Jointly to the Committee on Agriculture and the Committee on Water and Land, then to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection

S.B. No. 2389 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL LAND."

Referred to: Jointly to the Committee on Agriculture, the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, and the Committee on Water and Land, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

S.B. No. 2390 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL LAND."

Referred to: Jointly to the Committee on Water and Land and the Committee on Agriculture, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

S.B. No. 2391 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC LANDS."

Referred to: Jointly to the Committee on Water and Land and the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

S.B. No. 2392 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CONSERVATION EASEMENTS."

Referred to: Jointly to the Committee on Water and Land and the Committee on Energy and Environment

S.B. No. 2393 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COUNTY ZONING FOR GROUP LIVING FACILITIES."

Referred to: Jointly to the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs and the Committee on Human Services

S.B. No. 2394 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL LANDS MANAGED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND THE AGRIBUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION."

Referred to: Jointly to the Committee on Agriculture and the Committee on Water and Land, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

S.B. No. 2395 "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HOMELESS."

Referred to:	Committee on Human Services, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs and the Committee on Judiciary and Labor, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2396	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO JUDGMENT LIENS.”		
Referred to:	Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor	S.B. No. 2405	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO INFORMATION CHARGING.”
S.B. No. 2397	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.”	Referred to:	Committee on Judiciary and Labor
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Economic Development, Government Operations and Housing, the Committee on Agriculture, and the Committee on Tourism, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2406	“A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING APPROPRIATIONS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF THE PROSECUTING ATTORNEY OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI.”
S.B. No. 2398	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH.”	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor and the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Human Services and the Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2407	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL LANDS.”
S.B. No. 2399	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.”	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Agriculture, the Committee on Water and Land, and the Committee on Hawaiian Affairs
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Economic Development, Government Operations and Housing and the Committee on Human Services, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2408	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HABITUALLY OPERATING A VEHICLE WHILE UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF AN INTOXICANT.”
S.B. No. 2400	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURE.”	Referred to:	Committee on Judiciary and Labor
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Agriculture, the Committee on Higher Education, and the Committee on Economic Development, Government Operations and Housing, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2409	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EMPLOYER-UNION HEALTH BENEFITS.”
S.B. No. 2401	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ABUSE OF FAMILY OR HOUSEHOLD MEMBER.”	Referred to:	Committee on Judiciary and Labor, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
Referred to:	Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor	S.B. No. 2410	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS.”
S.B. No. 2402	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CONTROLLED SUBSTANCES.”	Referred to:	Committee on Ways and Means
Referred to:	Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor	S.B. No. 2411	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SUBSIDIES.”
S.B. No. 2403	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO JUVENILE JUSTICE INFORMATION.”	Referred to:	Committee on Ways and Means
Referred to:	Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor	S.B. No. 2412	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO POSITIONS IN STATE GOVERNMENT.”
S.B. No. 2404	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO RESTITUTION FOR VICTIMS OF CRIME.”	Referred to:	Committee on Judiciary and Labor, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
		S.B. No. 2413	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO GOVERNMENT.”
		Referred to:	Committee on Ways and Means
		S.B. No. 2414	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO GOVERNMENT.”
		Referred to:	Committee on Ways and Means
		S.B. No. 2415	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HARBORS.”
		Referred to:	Committee on Water and Land, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

S.B. No. 2416	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HARBORS.”	S.B. No. 2426	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII TOURISM AUTHORITY.”
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Water and Land and the Committee on Transportation and International Affairs	Referred to:	Committee on Tourism, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2417	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE PHASED REVIEW OF HISTORIC PRESERVATION PROJECTS.”	S.B. No. 2427	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HILO HIGH SCHOOL.”
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Technology and the Arts and the Committee on Water and Land, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor	Referred to:	Committee on Education, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2418	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MEDICAL USE OF MARIJUANA.”	S.B. No. 2428	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC ASSISTANCE.”
Referred to:	Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor	Referred to:	Committee on Human Services, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2419	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.”	S.B. No. 2429	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COUNTY LIFEGUARDS.”
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Economic Development, Government Operations and Housing and the Committee on Technology and the Arts, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs and the Committee on Judiciary and Labor, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2420	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD CHECKS FOR STATE AND COUNTY EMPLOYEES.”	S.B. No. 2430	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE TRANSIENT ACCOMMODATIONS TAX.”
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Human Services and the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Tourism and the Committee on Water and Land, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2421	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION.”	S.B. No. 2431	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII TOURISM AUTHORITY.”
Referred to:	Committee on Education, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	Referred to:	Committee on Tourism, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2422	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION.”	S.B. No. 2432	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HAWAII TOURISM AUTHORITY.”
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Education and the Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	Referred to:	Committee on Tourism, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2423	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION.”	S.B. No. 2433	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TRUTH-IN-ADVERTISING.”
Referred to:	Committee on Education, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	Referred to:	Committee on Agriculture, then to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection
S.B. No. 2424	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AIR CONDITIONING IN PUBLIC SCHOOL FACILITIES.”	S.B. No. 2434	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH.”
Referred to:	Committee on Education, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	Referred to:	Committee on Human Services, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2425	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HAWAII 3R’S.”	S.B. No. 2435	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURE.”
Referred to:	Committee on Education, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Agriculture and the Committee on Energy and Environment, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
		S.B. No. 2436	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COMMUNITY PLANNING.”
		Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Economic Development, Government Operations and Housing, the Committee on Transportation and International Affairs, and the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs,

	then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2448	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SEXUAL ASSAULT.”
S.B. No. 2437	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TRANSIT.”	Referred to:	Committee on Judiciary and Labor
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Economic Development, Government Operations and Housing, the Committee on Transportation and International Affairs, and the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2449	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PROJECT KEALAHOU.”
		Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Health and the Committee on Human Services, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2438	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH.”	S.B. No. 2450	“A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PROGRAMS.”
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Health and the Committee on Transportation and International Affairs	Referred to:	Committee on Judiciary and Labor, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2439	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HERBAL THERAPY LICENSING.”	S.B. No. 2451	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HUMAN TRAFFICKING.”
Referred to:	Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	Referred to:	Committee on Judiciary and Labor, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2440	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SURETY INSURANCE.”	S.B. No. 2452	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO JURY DUTY.”
Referred to:	Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection	Referred to:	Committee on Judiciary and Labor
S.B. No. 2441	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO YOUTH.”	S.B. No. 2453	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MEDICAL ASSISTANCE.”
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Human Services and the Committee on Education, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	Referred to:	Committee on Human Services, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2442	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING.”	S.B. No. 2454	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURE.”
Referred to:	Committee on Human Services, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Agriculture, the Committee on Higher Education, and the Committee on Judiciary and Labor, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2443	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FAMILY COURT.”	S.B. No. 2455	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURE.”
Referred to:	Committee on Judiciary and Labor, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Agriculture and the Committee on Higher Education, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2444	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO INFANT MORTALITY.”	S.B. No. 2456	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURE.”
Referred to:	Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Agriculture and the Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection
S.B. No. 2445	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH.”	S.B. No. 2457	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURE.”
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Education and the Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Agriculture and the Committee on Education, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2446	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION.”	S.B. No. 2458	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO BIOSECURITY.”
Referred to:	Committee on Education, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Agriculture and the Committee on Energy and Environment, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2447	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CANCER.”	S.B. No. 2459	“A BILL FOR AN ACT PROPOSING AMENDMENTS TO ARTICLE VII,
Referred to:	Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Ways and Means		

	SECTIONS 12 AND 13, OF THE HAWAII CONSTITUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE COUNTIES TO ISSUE TAX INCREMENT BONDS AND TO EXCLUDE TAX INCREMENT BONDS FROM DETERMINATIONS OF THE FUNDED DEBT OF THE COUNTIES.”	Referred to:	Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection
		S.B. No. 2469	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TELEHEALTH.”
		Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Health and the Committee on Technology and the Arts, then to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs and the Committee on Judiciary and Labor, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2470	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII HEALTH CONNECTOR.”
S.B. No. 2460	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TAX INCREMENT BONDS.”	Referred to:	Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection
Referred to:	Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2471	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION.”
S.B. No. 2461	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES.”	Referred to:	Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
Referred to:	Committee on Education, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2472	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY PRACTICE.”
S.B. No. 2462	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION.”	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Health and the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
Referred to:	Committee on Education, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2473	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PERSONAL INFORMATION.”
S.B. No. 2463	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PROCUREMENT.”	Referred to:	Committee on Technology and the Arts, then to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Economic Development, Government Operations and Housing, the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, and the Committee on Judiciary and Labor, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2474	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CYBERSECURITY.”
S.B. No. 2464	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PROCUREMENT.”	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Technology and the Arts and the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
Referred to:	Committee on Economic Development, Government Operations and Housing, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2475	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ASSISTING UNLICENSED CONTRACTORS.”
S.B. No. 2465	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CONTINUING EDUCATION FOR PSYCHOLOGISTS.”	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection and the Committee on Judiciary and Labor
Referred to:	Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2476	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO REAL ESTATE APPRAISERS.”
S.B. No. 2466	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CONTINUING EDUCATION FOR MARRIAGE AND FAMILY THERAPISTS.”	Referred to:	Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection
Referred to:	Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2477	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LAND COURT.”
S.B. No. 2467	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PODIATRISTS.”	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor and the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
Referred to:	Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection	S.B. No. 2478	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH.”
S.B. No. 2468	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PODIATRISTS.”	Referred to:	Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection

S.B. No. 2479	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH.”	S.B. No. 2490	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CONTINUING COMPETENCY FOR NURSES.”
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Human Services and the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	Referred to:	Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection
S.B. No. 2480	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TIME SHARE.”	S.B. No. 2491	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO NURSING.”
Referred to:	Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection	Referred to:	Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection
S.B. No. 2481	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TIME SHARES.”	S.B. No. 2492	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ADVANCED PRACTICE REGISTERED NURSES.”
Referred to:	Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection	Referred to:	Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection
S.B. No. 2482	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ASSOCIATION ALTERNATIVE POWER OF SALE FORECLOSURE PROCESS.”	S.B. No. 2493	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH.”
Referred to:	Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor	Referred to:	Committee on Judiciary and Labor, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2483	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATIONS.”	S.B. No. 2494	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PERSONAL INJURY PROTECTION BENEFITS.”
Referred to:	Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	Referred to:	Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2484	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PLANNED COMMUNITY ASSOCIATIONS.”	S.B. No. 2495	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTRONIC SMOKING DEVICES.”
Referred to:	Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Health and the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2485	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING CREDITS.”	S.B. No. 2496	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TOBACCO PRODUCTS.”
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Hawaiian Affairs, the Committee on Human Services, and the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Health, the Committee on Higher Education, and the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2486	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PRIVATE GUARDS.”	S.B. No. 2497	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TOBACCO REGULATION.”
Referred to:	Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection	Referred to:	Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2487	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE SMALL BUSINESS REGULATORY FLEXIBILITY ACT.”	S.B. No. 2498	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PROHIBITIONS ON UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII PREMISES.”
Referred to:	Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Health, the Committee on Higher Education, and the Committee on Judiciary and Labor, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2488	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TRAFFIC SAFETY.”	S.B. No. 2499	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PROHIBITIONS ON HAWAII HEALTH SYSTEMS CORPORATION PREMISES.”
Referred to:	Committee on Transportation and International Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Health and the Committee on Judiciary and Labor,
S.B. No. 2489	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE CENTER FOR NURSING.”		
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Higher Education and the Committee on Health		

	then to the Committee on Ways and Means	Referred to:	Committee on Water and Land, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2500	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION.”	S.B. No. 2512	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO A KOREATOWN.”
Referred to:	Committee on Education, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Water and Land and the Committee on Technology and the Arts, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2501	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE BOARD OF DENTISTRY AND DENTAL HYGIENE.”	S.B. No. 2513	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION INCENTIVES.”
Referred to:	Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection	Referred to:	Committee on Transportation and International Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2502	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO VETERINARY TECHNICIANS.”	S.B. No. 2514	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE AGRIBUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION.”
Referred to:	Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Agriculture and the Committee on Energy and Environment, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2503	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC ORDER.”	S.B. No. 2515	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER.”
Referred to:	Committee on Judiciary and Labor	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Technology and the Arts and the Committee on Water and Land, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2504	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SIDEWALKS.”	S.B. No. 2516	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FACILITIES FUNDING FOR CHARTER SCHOOLS.”
Referred to:	Committee on Judiciary and Labor	Referred to:	Committee on Education, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2505	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII STATE CAPITOL AREA.”	S.B. No. 2517	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CHARTER SCHOOLS.”
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Technology and the Arts and the Committee on Hawaiian Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	Referred to:	Committee on Education, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2506	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII.”	S.B. No. 2518	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION.”
Referred to:	Committee on Higher Education, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	Referred to:	Committee on Education, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2507	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SENTENCING.”	S.B. No. 2519	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE GENERAL FUND EXPENDITURE CEILING.”
Referred to:	Committee on Human Services, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor	Referred to:	Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2508	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO A BAN ON DISPOSABLE BAGS.”	S.B. No. 2520	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE SIXTEENTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT.”
Referred to:	Committee on Energy and Environment, then to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection	Referred to:	Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2509	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SOLID WASTE REDUCTION.”	S.B. No. 2521	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LABELING.”
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Human Services and the Committee on Energy and Environment, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Health and the Committee on Judiciary and Labor, then to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection
S.B. No. 2510	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO URBAN WATER CONSERVATION.”		
Referred to:	Committee on Economic Development, Government Operations and Housing, then to the Committee on Ways and Means		
S.B. No. 2511	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO WATERSHED PROTECTION.”		

S.B. No. 2522	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE INTERNATIONAL DAY OF NONVIOLENCE.”	S.B. No. 2533	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AFFORDABLE HOUSING.”
Referred to:	Committee on Technology and the Arts	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Human Services, the Committee on Hawaiian Affairs, and the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2523	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EMPLOYMENT.”	S.B. No. 2534	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HOMELESSNESS.”
Referred to:	Committee on Judiciary and Labor, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	Referred to:	Committee on Human Services, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2524	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO WORK SITE WELLNESS.”	S.B. No. 2535	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HOUSING.”
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Health and the Committee on Economic Development, Government Operations and Housing, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Human Services and the Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2525	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES.”	S.B. No. 2536	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HOUSING.”
Referred to:	Committee on Human Services, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Hawaiian Affairs and the Committee on Human Services, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2526	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SHERIFFS.”	S.B. No. 2537	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HOUSING.”
Referred to:	Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Human Services and the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2527	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE USE OF INTOXICANTS WHILE OPERATING A VEHICLE.”	S.B. No. 2538	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HOME LOANS.”
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Transportation and International Affairs and the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Human Services and the Committee on Economic Development, Government Operations and Housing, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2528	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL DAMAGE TO PROPERTY.”	S.B. No. 2539	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY.”
Referred to:	Committee on Judiciary and Labor, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Human Services and the Committee on Economic Development, Government Operations and Housing, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2529	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CRIMINAL TRESPASS.”	S.B. No. 2540	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HOUSING.”
Referred to:	Committee on Judiciary and Labor	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Human Services and the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2530	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO VEGETATION.”	S.B. No. 2541	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ELDERLY HOUSING.”
Referred to:	Committee on Judiciary and Labor	Referred to:	Committee on Human Services, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2531	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGING.”	S.B. No. 2542	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE DISPOSITION OF THE
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Human Services and the Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Ways and Means		
S.B. No. 2532	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SCHOOL IMPACT FEES.”		
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Education and the Committee on Human Services, then to the Committee on Ways and Means		

	CONVEYANCE TAX COLLECTIONS TO THE RENTAL HOUSING TRUST FUND.”	Referred to:	Committee on Higher Education, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
Referred to:	Committee on Human Services, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2553	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII.”
S.B. No. 2543	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HOUSING.”	Referred to:	Committee on Higher Education, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Human Services and the Committee on Economic Development, Government Operations and Housing, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2554	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII CANCER RESEARCH SPECIAL FUND.”
S.B. No. 2544	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY’S ADMINISTRATION OF THE FEDERAL HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER PROGRAM.”	Referred to:	Committee on Higher Education, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
Referred to:	Committee on Human Services, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2555	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII.”
S.B. No. 2545	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO UNIVERSAL CHILDREN’S SAVINGS ACCOUNTS.”	Referred to:	Committee on Higher Education, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
Referred to:	Committee on Human Services, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2556	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION.”
S.B. No. 2546	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO A SUMO MUSEUM.”	Referred to:	Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
Referred to:	Committee on Technology and the Arts, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2557	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PROCUREMENT.”
S.B. No. 2547	“A BILL FOR AN ACT ESTABLISHING A COMMISSION TO PLAN FOR THE FIFTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF THE STATE FOUNDATION ON CULTURE AND THE ARTS.”	Referred to:	Committee on Economic Development, Government Operations and Housing, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
Referred to:	Committee on Technology and the Arts, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2558	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.”
S.B. No. 2548	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTRICAL POWER GENERATORS.”	Referred to:	Committee on Education, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
Referred to:	Committee on Energy and Environment, then to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection	S.B. No. 2560	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL LANDS.”
S.B. No. 2549	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HIGHER EDUCATION.”	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Agriculture, the Committee on Water and Land, and the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
Referred to:	Committee on Higher Education, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2561	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COTTAGE FOODS.”
S.B. No. 2550	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HIGHER EDUCATION.”	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Health and the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, then to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection
Referred to:	Committee on Higher Education, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2562	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURE.”
S.B. No. 2551	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII.”	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Agriculture and the Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection
Referred to:	Committee on Higher Education, then to the Committee on Ways and Means		
S.B. No. 2552	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE BUDGET.”		

S.B. No. 2563	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURE.”		Consumer Protection, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Agriculture and the Committee on Higher Education, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2573	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH.”
S.B. No. 2564	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURE.”	Referred to:	Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Agriculture and the Committee on Education, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2574	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MEDICAL MARIJUANA.”
S.B. No. 2565	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HAWAII GOOD AGRICULTURAL PRACTICES.”	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Health and the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection
Referred to:	Committee on Agriculture, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2575	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEAD INJURIES.”
S.B. No. 2566	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURAL EDUCATION.”	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Health and the Committee on Economic Development, Government Operations and Housing
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Agriculture and the Committee on Judiciary and Labor, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2576	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH.”
S.B. No. 2567	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURE INNOVATION.”	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Agriculture and the Committee on Health, then jointly to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection and the Committee on Judiciary and Labor
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Agriculture and the Committee on Economic Development, Government Operations and Housing, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2577	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO NATUROPATHIC PHYSICIANS.”
S.B. No. 2568	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PROCUREMENT.”	Referred to:	Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Economic Development, Government Operations and Housing and the Committee on Agriculture, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2578	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH.”
S.B. No. 2569	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HOME BIRTH.”	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Health and the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Health, the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, and the Committee on Judiciary and Labor, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2579	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MENTAL HEALTH.”
S.B. No. 2570	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH.”	Referred to:	Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
Referred to:	Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection	S.B. No. 2580	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH.”
S.B. No. 2571	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH.”	Referred to:	Committee on Human Services, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Health and the Committee on Technology and the Arts, then to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection	S.B. No. 2581	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE STATE BUILDING CODE.”
S.B. No. 2572	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH.”	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs and the Committee on Economic Development, Government Operations and Housing, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Health and the Committee on Commerce and	S.B. No. 2582	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS.”
		Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Transportation and International Affairs and the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs,

	then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor	S.B. No. 2590	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FIREARMS.”
S.B. No. 2583	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE PACIFIC INTERNATIONAL SPACE CENTER FOR EXPLORATION SYSTEMS AND NATIONAL AERONAUTICS AND SPACE ADMINISTRATION LASER COMMUNICATIONS GROUND STATION INITIATIVE.”	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs and the Committee on Water and Land, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor
Referred to:	Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2591	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LAW ENFORCEMENT.”
S.B. No. 2584	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE PACIFIC INTERNATIONAL SPACE CENTER FOR EXPLORATION SYSTEMS’ PLANETARY SUSTAINABILITY TECHNOLOGIES INITIATIVE.”	Referred to:	Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor
Referred to:	Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2592	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC SAFETY.”
S.B. No. 2585	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE PACIFIC INTERNATIONAL SPACE CENTER FOR EXPLORATION SYSTEMS.”	Referred to:	Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
Referred to:	Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2593	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MEDICAL USE OF MARIJUANA.”
S.B. No. 2586	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MILITARY AFFAIRS.”	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs and the Committee on Health
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, then to the Committee on Higher Education, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2594	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE RETENTION OF BIOLOGICAL EVIDENCE.”
S.B. No. 2587	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO GROUP HOMES.”	Referred to:	Committee on Judiciary and Labor
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Health and the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2595	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CHILD ABUSE.”
S.B. No. 2588	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO UNSWORN FALSIFICATION TO A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER.”	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Human Services, the Committee on Technology and the Arts, and the Committee on Judiciary and Labor, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
Referred to:	Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor	S.B. No. 2596	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ENHANCED 911 SERVICES.”
S.B. No. 2589	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LAW ENFORCEMENT.”	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs and the Committee on Technology and the Arts, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Transportation and International Affairs and the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2597	“A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR A WAR MEMORIAL.”
		Referred to:	Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
		S.B. No. 2598	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE CULTURAL EXCHANGES BETWEEN HAWAII AND AFRICAN AMERICANS.”
		Referred to:	Committee on Technology and the Arts, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
		S.B. No. 2599	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HOMELESS PERSONS.”

Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Human Services and the Committee on Water and Land, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2609	then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor "A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MINIMUM WAGE."
S.B. No. 2600	"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PARENTAL PARITY."	Referred to:	Committee on Judiciary and Labor, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
Referred to:	Committee on Judiciary and Labor	S.B. No. 2610	"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION."
S.B. No. 2601	"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE MEDICAL USE OF CANNABIS."	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Education and the Committee on Higher Education, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Health and the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2611	"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PSYCHOLOGISTS."
S.B. No. 2602	"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO GRAFFITI."	Referred to:	Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection
Referred to:	Committee on Judiciary and Labor, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2612	"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CONTINUING EDUCATION."
S.B. No. 2603	"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO VETERANS."	Referred to:	Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, the Committee on Health, and the Committee on Human Services, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2613	"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CONTRACTORS."
S.B. No. 2604	"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH CARE."	Referred to:	Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, the Committee on Higher Education, and the Committee on Health, then jointly to the Committee on Ways and Means and the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection	S.B. No. 2614	"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PROCUREMENT."
S.B. No. 2605	"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CIVIL AIR PATROL."	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Economic Development, Government Operations and Housing and the Committee on Judiciary and Labor, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
Referred to:	Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2615	"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO DNA COLLECTION FOR VIOLENT CRIMES."
S.B. No. 2606	"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PEST CONTROL."	Referred to:	Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor
Referred to:	Committee on Agriculture, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2616	"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLES."
S.B. No. 2607	"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CIVIL LIABILITY FOR THE INTRASTATE TRANSPORT OF INVASIVE SPECIES."	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Transportation and International Affairs and the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, then to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Energy and Environment, the Committee on Agriculture, and the Committee on Transportation and International Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2617	"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC WORKS OF ART."
S.B. No. 2608	"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO UNMANNED AIRCRAFTS."	Referred to:	Committee on Technology and the Arts, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Transportation and International Affairs and the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs,	S.B. No. 2618	"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE CONTRACTORS LICENSE BOARD."
		Referred to:	Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection

S.B. No. 2619	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENTS IN THE TECHNOLOGY INDUSTRY.”	Referred to:	Committee on Technology and the Arts, then to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Technology and the Arts and the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor	S.B. No. 2631	“A BILL FOR AN ACT PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE III OF THE HAWAII STATE CONSTITUTION TO PROVIDE FOR A CITIZENS’ LEGISLATIVE INITIATIVE.”
S.B. No. 2620	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE WORKS OF ART SPECIAL FUND.”	Referred to:	Committee on Judiciary and Labor
Referred to:	Committee on Technology and the Arts, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2632	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC RECORDS.”
S.B. No. 2621	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ASSAULT OF SPORTS OFFICIALS.”	Referred to:	Committee on Judiciary and Labor
Referred to:	Committee on Judiciary and Labor	S.B. No. 2633	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HISTORIC PROPERTY.”
S.B. No. 2622	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE DEATH CARE INDUSTRY.”	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Technology and the Arts and the Committee on Water and Land
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Health and the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2634	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LOBBYISTS.”
S.B. No. 2623	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FRANCHISES.”	Referred to:	Committee on Judiciary and Labor
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection and the Committee on Judiciary and Labor	S.B. No. 2635	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC AGENCY MEETINGS.”
S.B. No. 2624	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII HIGH IMPACT CENTER FOR COMMERCIALIZATION.”	Referred to:	Committee on Judiciary and Labor
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Technology and the Arts and the Committee on Higher Education, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2636	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC AGENCY MEETINGS.”
S.B. No. 2625	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CAMPAIGN FINANCE.”	Referred to:	Committee on Judiciary and Labor
Referred to:	Committee on Judiciary and Labor	S.B. No. 2637	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LOBBYISTS.”
S.B. No. 2626	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTIONS.”	Referred to:	Committee on Judiciary and Labor
Referred to:	Committee on Judiciary and Labor	S.B. No. 2638	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC AGENCY MEETINGS.”
S.B. No. 2627	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LOBBYISTS.”	Referred to:	Committee on Judiciary and Labor
Referred to:	Committee on Judiciary and Labor	S.B. No. 2639	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS.”
S.B. No. 2628	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CAMPAIGN FINANCE.”	Referred to:	Committee on Judiciary and Labor
Referred to:	Committee on Judiciary and Labor	S.B. No. 2640	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE COMMISSION ON SALARIES.”
S.B. No. 2629	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LOBBYISTS.”	Referred to:	Committee on Judiciary and Labor, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
Referred to:	Committee on Judiciary and Labor	S.B. No. 2641	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MINIMUM WAGE.”
S.B. No. 2630	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LOCATION DATA FROM ELECTRONIC DEVICES.”	Referred to:	Committee on Judiciary and Labor, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
Referred to:	Committee on Judiciary and Labor	S.B. No. 2642	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION.”
		Referred to:	Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection
		S.B. No. 2643	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURE.”
		Referred to:	Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection

S.B. No. 2644	“A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES IN THE PUNA DISTRICT.”	S.B. No. 2654	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ACQUITTAL ON THE GROUND OF PHYSICAL OR MENTAL DISEASE, DISORDER, OR DEFECT EXCLUDING RESPONSIBILITY.”
Referred to:	Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, the Committee on Health, and the Committee on Judiciary and Labor, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2645	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO INDUSTRIAL HEMP.”	S.B. No. 2655	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTRIC VEHICLES.”
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Agriculture and the Committee on Judiciary and Labor, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Energy and Environment and the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2646	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AGRICULTURE.”	S.B. No. 2656	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE MODERNIZATION OF THE HAWAII ELECTRIC SYSTEM.”
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Agriculture, the Committee on Higher Education, and the Committee on Energy and Environment, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Energy and Environment and the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2647	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII AT HILO DISTANCE LEARNING PROGRAM.”	S.B. No. 2657	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO RENEWABLE ENERGY.”
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Higher Education and the Committee on Agriculture, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	Referred to:	Committee on Energy and Environment, then to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection
S.B. No. 2648	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PESTICIDES.”	S.B. No. 2658	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SOLAR ENERGY.”
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Agriculture and the Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Agriculture and the Committee on Energy and Environment, then to the Committee on Water and Land
S.B. No. 2649	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PESTICIDES.”	S.B. No. 2659	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EPINEPHRINE AUTO-INJECTOR USE IN SCHOOLS.”
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Health and the Committee on Judiciary and Labor, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Education and the Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2650	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SEAT BELTS.”	S.B. No. 2660	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EPINEPHRINE AUTO-INJECTORS.”
Referred to:	Committee on Transportation and International Affairs, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor	Referred to:	Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor
S.B. No. 2651	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PARKING.”	S.B. No. 2661	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO UNDERGROUND WATER.”
Referred to:	Committee on Energy and Environment, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Hawaiian Affairs and the Committee on Water and Land, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2652	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO RENEWABLE ENERGY.”	S.B. No. 2662	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO NATURAL RESOURCES BENEATH THE SURFACE OF THE LAND.”
Referred to:	Committee on Energy and Environment, then to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection		
S.B. No. 2653	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO WATER POLLUTION.”		
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Energy and Environment and the Committee on		

Referred to:	Committee on Energy and Environment, then to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection		Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs
S.B. No. 2663	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO NATURAL RESOURCES.”	S.B. No. 2672	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY.”
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Water and Land, the Committee on Energy and Environment, and the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	Referred to:	Committee on Technology and the Arts, then to the Committee on Water and Land
S.B. No. 2664	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO NATURAL RESOURCES.”	S.B. No. 2673	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PROCUREMENT.”
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Water and Land and the Committee on Energy and Environment, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	Referred to:	Committee on Economic Development, Government Operations and Housing, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2665	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLE NUMBER PLATES.”	S.B. No. 2674	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII TOURISM AUTHORITY.”
Referred to:	Committee on Transportation and International Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	Referred to:	Committee on Tourism, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2666	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO BEVERAGE CONTAINER DEPOSIT SPECIAL FUND.”	S.B. No. 2675	“A BILL FOR AN ACT PROPOSING A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE X, SECTION 6, OF THE HAWAII STATE CONSTITUTION TO MODIFY THE APPOINTMENT PROCESS FOR THE BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII.”
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Energy and Environment and the Committee on Water and Land, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	Referred to:	Committee on Higher Education, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor
S.B. No. 2667	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO STATE WATER CODE.”	S.B. No. 2676	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LANDS CONTROLLED BY THE STATE.”
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Water and Land and the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Water and Land and the Committee on Higher Education, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2668	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII.”	S.B. No. 2677	“A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO THE COUNTY OF HAWAII AS THE STATE’S SHARE OF JOINT FUNDING WITH THE COUNTY TO CONSTRUCT IMPROVEMENTS TO WAIMEA DISTRICT/REGIONAL PARK.”
Referred to:	Committee on Higher Education, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs and the Committee on Water and Land, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2669	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MAUNA KEA STATE RECREATIONAL AREA.”	S.B. No. 2678	“A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO SUPPORT CULTURAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT.”
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Water and Land, the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, and the Committee on Hawaiian Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	Referred to:	Committee on Water and Land, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2670	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO GENERAL EXCISE TAX.”	S.B. No. 2679	“A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS TO THE KAMUELA VACUUM COOLING PLANT.”
Referred to:	Committee on Ways and Means	Referred to:	Committee on Agriculture, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2671	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO IOLANI PALACE.”		
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Water and Land and the Committee on Public		

S.B. No. 2680	“A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS TO THE KANU O KA ‘AINA NEW CENTURY PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL.”	Referred to:	Committee on Ways and Means
Referred to:	Committee on Education, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2691	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SENTENCING.”
S.B. No. 2681	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE CODE OF ETHICS.”	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor and the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
Referred to:	Committee on Judiciary and Labor	S.B. No. 2692	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TRAINING.”
S.B. No. 2682	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FINANCIAL DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS.”	Referred to:	Committee on Judiciary and Labor
Referred to:	Committee on Judiciary and Labor	S.B. No. 2693	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH.”
S.B. No. 2683	“A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION TO ASSIST COMMUNITIES WITH THE REMOVAL OF MOTOR VEHICLE TIRES.”	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Health and the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor
Referred to:	Committee on Energy and Environment, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2694	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FERTILITY RIGHTS OF CANCER PATIENTS.”
S.B. No. 2684	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS TO ASSIST TIRE SHREDDING OR RECYCLING BUSINESSES.”	Referred to:	Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
Referred to:	Committee on Energy and Environment, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2695	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ABUSE OF FAMILY OR HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS.”
S.B. No. 2685	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MOTOR VEHICLE TIRES.”	Referred to:	Committee on Judiciary and Labor
Referred to:	Committee on Energy and Environment, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2696	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE KAKAAKO COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT.”
S.B. No. 2686	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TIRE RETAILERS.”	Referred to:	Committee on Economic Development, Government Operations and Housing, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Energy and Environment and the Committee on Technology and the Arts, then to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection	S.B. No. 2697	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY.”
S.B. No. 2687	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO LIMITATION OF ACTIONS.”	Referred to:	Committee on Economic Development, Government Operations and Housing, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
Referred to:	Committee on Judiciary and Labor	S.B. No. 2698	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY.”
S.B. No. 2688	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO QUALIFIED DOMESTIC RELATIONS ORDERS.”	Referred to:	Committee on Economic Development, Government Operations and Housing, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
Referred to:	Committee on Judiciary and Labor, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2699	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY’S AFFORDABLE HOUSING REQUIREMENT.”
S.B. No. 2689	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FAMILY COURT.”	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Human Services and the Committee on Economic Development, Government Operations and Housing
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Technology and the Arts and the Committee on Judiciary and Labor, then to the Committee on Ways and Means		
S.B. No. 2690	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO UNCLAIMED PROPERTY.”		

S.B. No. 2700	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EPINEPHRINE AUTO-INJECTOR USE IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS.”	S.B. No. 2711	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE TRANSIENT ACCOMMODATIONS TAX.”
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Education and the Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	Referred to:	Committee on Tourism
S.B. No. 2701	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EPINEPHRINE AUTO-INJECTORS.”	S.B. No. 2712	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII TOURISM AUTHORITY.”
Referred to:	Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	Referred to:	Committee on Tourism
S.B. No. 2702	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS TO ASSIST SEAWATER AIR CONDITIONING PROJECTS ON OAHU.”	S.B. No. 2713	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO VISITOR SPENDING.”
Referred to:	Committee on Energy and Environment, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	Referred to:	Committee on Tourism
S.B. No. 2703	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SEAWATER AIR CONDITIONING.”	S.B. No. 2714	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ACCOMMODATIONS.”
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Economic Development, Government Operations and Housing and the Committee on Energy and Environment, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	Referred to:	Committee on Tourism
S.B. No. 2704	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COMPENSATION.”	S.B. No. 2715	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAIIAN LANGUAGE COLLEGE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII.”
Referred to:	Committee on Judiciary and Labor, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	Referred to:	Committee on Higher Education
S.B. No. 2705	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE.”	S.B. No. 2716	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH.”
Referred to:	Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor	Referred to:	Committee on Health
S.B. No. 2706	“A BILL FOR AN ACT PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO THE HAWAII CONSTITUTION TO PERMIT THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE AND SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO APPOINT MEMBERS TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.”	S.B. No. 2717	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HEALTH.”
Referred to:	Committee on Education, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor	Referred to:	Committee on Health
S.B. No. 2707	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO REAPPORTIONMENT.”	S.B. No. 2718	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE HAWAII CHILDREN’S TRUST FUND.”
Referred to:	Committee on Judiciary and Labor	Referred to:	Committee on Human Services
S.B. No. 2708	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HIGHWAY SAFETY.”	S.B. No. 2719	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO APPROPRIATIONS.”
Referred to:	Committee on Transportation and International Affairs, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor	Referred to:	Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2709	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TOURISM.”	S.B. No. 2720	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION.”
Referred to:	Committee on Tourism	Referred to:	Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2710	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TAXATION.”	S.B. No. 2721	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO BUDGETING.”
Referred to:	Committee on Ways and Means	Referred to:	Committee on Ways and Means
		S.B. No. 2722	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO STATE FUNDS.”
		Referred to:	Committee on Ways and Means
		S.B. No. 2723	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO AIRPORTS.”
		Referred to:	Committee on Transportation and International Affairs
		S.B. No. 2724	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO 2013 SPECIFIC APPROPRIATIONS.”
		Referred to:	Committee on Ways and Means
		S.B. No. 2725	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE SEVENTH SENATORIAL DISTRICT.”

Referred to:	Committee on Ways and Means	Referred to:	Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor
S.B. No. 2726	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION.”	S.B. No. 2736	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO FOOD LABELING.”
Referred to:	Committee on Transportation and International Affairs, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor	Referred to:	Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection
S.B. No. 2727	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO TRANSPORTATION.”	S.B. No. 2737	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO GENETIC ENGINEERING.”
Referred to:	Committee on Transportation and International Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Agriculture, the Committee on Health, and the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor
S.B. No. 2728	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HIGHWAYS.”	S.B. No. 2738	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO GENETIC ENGINEERING.”
Referred to:	Committee on Transportation and International Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Agriculture and the Committee on Energy and Environment, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2729	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MOBILE ELECTRONIC DEVICES.”	S.B. No. 2739	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO GENETIC ENGINEERING.”
Referred to:	Committee on Transportation and International Affairs, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Agriculture and the Committee on Health
S.B. No. 2730	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO HIGHWAY SAFETY.”	S.B. No. 2740	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO EDUCATION.”
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Transportation and International Affairs and the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Education and the Committee on Hawaiian Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2731	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO A CAR-SHARING VEHICLE SURCHARGE TAX.”	S.B. No. 2741	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE STATE FOUNDATION ON CULTURE AND THE ARTS.”
Referred to:	Committee on Transportation and International Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	Referred to:	Committee on Technology and the Arts, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2732	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ILLEGAL PARKING UPON BIKEWAYS.”	S.B. No. 2742	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ESTABLISHMENT OF THE PACIFIC-ASIA INSTITUTE FOR RESILIENCE AND SUSTAINABILITY.”
Referred to:	Committee on Transportation and International Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Transportation and International Affairs and the Committee on Higher Education, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2733	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MARIJUANA.”	S.B. No. 2743	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE KAHO‘OLAWA ISLAND RESERVE.”
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs and the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, then jointly to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor and the Committee on Ways and Means	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Water and Land and the Committee on Hawaiian Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2734	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COUNTIES.”	S.B. No. 2744	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO QUALIFIED COMMUNITY REHABILITATION PROGRAMS.”
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs and the Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Human Services and the Committee on Judiciary
S.B. No. 2735	“A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO MARIJUANA.”		

	and Labor, then to the Committee on Ways and Means		ASSIST WITH THE PLANNING, DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, EQUIPPING, LAND LEASES, AND OTHER TANGIBLE ASSETS FOR A RENEWABLE ENERGY PROJECT WITH ENERGY STORAGE TECHNOLOGY ON THE ISLAND OF MOLOKAI."
S.B. No. 2745	"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CREDIT CARDS."		
Referred to:	Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection		
S.B. No. 2746	"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO ELECTRONIC COPIES."	Referred to:	Committee on Energy and Environment, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
Referred to:	Committee on Technology and the Arts, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor	S.B. No. 2755	"A BILL FOR AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS FOR PACIFIC POWER GROUP, LLC, A UTILITY SERVING THE GENERAL PUBLIC IN PROVIDING ELECTRIC ENERGY."
S.B. No. 2747	"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO SUBDIVISION DOCUMENTS."	Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Energy and Environment and the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Transportation and International Affairs, the Committee on Water and Land, and the Committee on Hawaiian Affairs, then to the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs	S.B. No. 2756	"A BILL FOR AN ACT AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS FOR THE PROCESSING OF SEWAGE INTO SEWAGE DERIVED FUEL."
S.B. No. 2748	"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO PUBLIC UTILITIES."	Referred to:	Committee on Energy and Environment, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
Referred to:	Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection	S.B. No. 2757	"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COUNTY INFRASTRUCTURE CAPACITY BUILDING CONSTRUCTION FINANCING."
S.B. No. 2749	"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO WASTEWATER."	Referred to:	Committee on Ways and Means
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, the Committee on Energy and Environment, and the Committee on Health		
S.B. No. 2750	"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO COLON HYDROTHERAPY."		
Referred to:	Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, then to the Committee on Ways and Means		
S.B. No. 2751	"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CONCESSIONS."		
Referred to:	Committee on Economic Development, Government Operations and Housing, then to the Committee on Ways and Means		
S.B. No. 2752	"A BILL FOR AN ACT PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE VI, SECTION 3, OF THE HAWAII STATE CONSTITUTION TO CHANGE THE PROCEDURE TO RETAIN JUSTICES AND JUDGES."		
Referred to:	Committee on Judiciary and Labor, then to the Committee on Ways and Means		
S.B. No. 2753	"A BILL FOR AN ACT MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR INVASIVE SPECIES CONTROL."		
Referred to:	Jointly to the Committee on Energy and Environment and the Committee on Higher Education, then to the Committee on Ways and Means		
S.B. No. 2754	"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF SPECIAL PURPOSE REVENUE BONDS TO		

REFERRAL OF SENATE BILLS

The President made the following committee assignments of Senate bills introduced on Thursday, January 16, 2014; and Friday, January 17, 2014:

S.B. No.:	Referred to:
S.B. No. 2246	Committee on Judiciary and Labor, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2247	Jointly to the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs and the Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor
S.B. No. 2248	Jointly to the Committee on Water and Land and the Committee on Judiciary and Labor, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2249	Committee on Judiciary and Labor
S.B. No. 2250	Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor
S.B. No. 2251	Jointly to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor and the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military

	Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2272	Jointly to the Committee on Water and Land and the Committee on Judiciary and Labor, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2252	Jointly to the Committee on Technology and the Arts and the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor	S.B. No. 2273	Committee on Water and Land, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2253	Committee on Judiciary and Labor	S.B. No. 2274	Jointly to the Committee on Water and Land and the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2254	Committee on Hawaiian Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2275	Committee on Energy and Environment, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2255	Jointly to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor and the Committee on Higher Education, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2276	Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2256	Jointly to the Committee on Human Services and the Committee on Judiciary and Labor, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2277	Committee on Economic Development, Government Operations and Housing, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2257	Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor	S.B. No. 2278	Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2258	Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor	S.B. No. 2279	Committee on Energy and Environment, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2259	Committee on Judiciary and Labor, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2280	Committee on Higher Education, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2260	Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor	S.B. No. 2281	Committee on Judiciary and Labor, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2261	Committee on Judiciary and Labor, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2282	Committee on Tourism, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2262	Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2283	Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2263	Committee on Transportation and International Affairs	S.B. No. 2284	Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2264	Jointly to the Committee on Human Services and the Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor	S.B. No. 2285	Jointly to the Committee on Human Services, the Committee on Hawaiian Affairs, and the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2265	Committee on Human Services, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2286	Committee on Human Services, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2266	Committee on Human Services, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2287	Committee on Higher Education, then to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection
S.B. No. 2267	Committee on Human Services, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2288	Committee on Education, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2268	Committee on Hawaiian Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2289	Committee on Technology and the Arts, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor
S.B. No. 2269	Committee on Human Services, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2290	Jointly to the Committee on Agriculture and the Committee on Energy and Environment, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2270	Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor	S.B. No. 2291	Committee on Agriculture, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2271	Jointly to the Committee on Transportation and International Affairs and the Committee on Education, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2292	Jointly to the Committee on Agriculture and the Committee on Water and Land, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

S.B. No. 2293	Committee on Agriculture, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2310	Jointly to the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs and the Committee on Human Services
S.B. No. 2294	Committee on Agriculture, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2311	Committee on Judiciary and Labor, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2295	Committee on Water and Land, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2312	Committee on Judiciary and Labor
S.B. No. 2296	Jointly to the Committee on Agriculture and the Committee on Economic Development, Government Operations and Housing, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2313	Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2297	Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2314	Jointly to the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs and the Committee on Technology and the Arts, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2298	Committee on Education, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2315	Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2299	Committee on Education, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2316	Jointly to the Committee on Health and the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2300	Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs	S.B. No. 2317	Jointly to the Committee on Health and the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor
S.B. No. 2301	Jointly to the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs and the Committee on Transportation and International Affairs, then to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection	S.B. No. 2318	Committee on Human Services, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor
S.B. No. 2302	Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, then to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection	S.B. No. 2319	Committee on Judiciary and Labor
S.B. No. 2303	Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2320	Committee on Education, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2304	Jointly to the Committee on Higher Education and the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2321	Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2305	Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2322	Committee on Economic Development, Government Operations and Housing, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2306	Jointly to the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs and the Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2323	Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2307	Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2324	Jointly to the Committee on Transportation and International Affairs and the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2308	Jointly to the Committee on Human Services and the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2325	Jointly to the Committee on Transportation and International Affairs and the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs
S.B. No. 2309	Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2326	Committee on Higher Education, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor
		S.B. No. 2327	Committee on Judiciary and Labor
		S.B. No. 2328	Committee on Education, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor
		S.B. No. 2329	Jointly to the Committee on Transportation and International Affairs and the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs,

	then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor	S.B. No. 2346	Committee on Human Services, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2330	Committee on Water and Land	S.B. No. 2347	Jointly to the Committee on Agriculture and the Committee on Energy and Environment, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor
S.B. No. 2331	Committee on Education, then to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection	S.B. No. 2348	Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2332	Committee on Water and Land, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2349	Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2333	Committee on Technology and the Arts, then to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection	S.B. No. 2350	Jointly to the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs and the Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2334	Committee on Energy and Environment, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2351	Jointly to the Committee on Health and the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2335	Committee on Human Services, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2352	Jointly to the Committee on Health and the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor
S.B. No. 2336	Committee on Tourism, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2353	Jointly to the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs and the Committee on Judiciary and Labor, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2337	Committee on Human Services, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2354	Committee on Agriculture, then to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection
S.B. No. 2338	Committee on Economic Development, Government Operations and Housing, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2355	Committee on Judiciary and Labor, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2339	Jointly to the Committee on Transportation and International Affairs, the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, and the Committee on Water and Land, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2356	Jointly to the Committee on Energy and Environment and the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2340	Committee on Economic Development, Government Operations and Housing, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2357	Jointly to the Committee on Health and the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2341	Jointly to the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, the Committee on Technology and the Arts, and the Committee on Economic Development, Government Operations and Housing, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor	S.B. No. 2358	Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor
S.B. No. 2342	Jointly to the Committee on Energy and Environment and the Committee on Economic Development, Government Operations and Housing, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2359	Committee on Judiciary and Labor, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2343	Jointly to the Committee on Energy and Environment and the Committee on Water and Land, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2360	Committee on Judiciary and Labor, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
S.B. No. 2344	Jointly to the Committee on Energy and Environment and the Committee on Water and Land, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2361	Committee on Judiciary and Labor
S.B. No. 2345	Jointly to the Committee on Human Services and the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	S.B. No. 2362	Committee on Human Services, then to the Committee on Ways and Means
		S.B. No. 2363	Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor
		S.B. No. 2364	Committee on Judiciary and Labor, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

S.B. No. 2365 Committee on Judiciary and Labor, then to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection

S.B. No. 2366 Committee on Judiciary and Labor, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

S.B. No. 2367 Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor

S.B. No. 2368 Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor

S.B. No. 2369 Jointly to the Committee on Technology and the Arts and the Committee on Water and Land, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor

S.B. No. 2370 Jointly to the Committee on Technology and the Arts and the Committee on Water and Land, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor

S.B. No. 2371 Committee on Education, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor

S.B. No. 2372 Jointly to the Committee on Water and Land, the Committee on Tourism, and the Committee on Human Services, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

S.B. No. 2373 Jointly to the Committee on Human Services and the Committee on Judiciary and Labor, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

S.B. No. 2374 Jointly to the Committee on Human Services and the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor

S.B. No. 2375 Committee on Technology and the Arts, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor

S.B. No. 2376 Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor

S.B. No. 2377 Committee on Judiciary and Labor

S.B. No. 2378 Jointly to the Committee on Technology and the Arts and the Committee on Judiciary and Labor, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

S.B. No. 2379 Committee on Higher Education, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

S.B. No. 2380 Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, then to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor

S.B. No. 2381 Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection

REFERRAL OF SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

The President made the following committee assignments of Senate concurrent resolutions offered on Friday, January 17, 2014:

S.C.R. No.: Referred to:

S.C.R. No. 1 Jointly to the Committee on Education and the Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

S.C.R. No. 2 Jointly to the Committee on Human Services, the Committee on Hawaiian Affairs, and the Committee on Economic Development, Government Operations and Housing

S.C.R. No. 3 Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

S.C.R. No. 4 Committee on Ways and Means

S.C.R. No. 5 Jointly to the Committee on Economic Development, Government Operations and Housing and the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

S.C.R. No. 6 Jointly to the Committee on Agriculture and the Committee on Education, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

REFERRAL OF SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The President made the following committee assignments of Senate resolutions offered on Friday, January 17, 2014:

S.R. No.: Referred to:

S.R. No. 4 Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

S.R. No. 5 Jointly to the Committee on Economic Development, Government Operations and Housing and the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

RE-REFERRAL OF SENATE BILLS

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

S.B. No.: Re-referred to:

S.B. No. 2001 Jointly to the Committee on Human Services and the Committee on Judiciary and Labor, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

S.B. No. 2016 Committee on Judiciary and Labor, then to the Committee on Ways and Means

S.B. No. 2024 Jointly to the Committee on Energy and Environment and the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, then jointly to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor and the Committee on Ways and Means

S.B. No. 2024 Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, then jointly to the Committee on Judiciary and Labor and the Committee on Ways and Means

S.B. No. 2027	Jointly to the Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental and Military Affairs and the Committee on Economic Development, Government Operations and Housing, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	The Honorable Colleen Hanabusa, United States Representative; The Honorable Tulsi Gabbard, United States Representative; The Honorable Paula A. Nakayama, Associate Justice, Supreme Court, State of Hawai'i;
S.B. No. 2033	Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection	The Honorable Simeon R. Acoba, Jr., Associate Justice, Supreme Court, State of Hawai'i;
S.B. No. 2034	Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection	The Honorable Sabrina S. McKenna, Associate Justice, Supreme Court, State of Hawai'i;
S.B. No. 2061	Jointly to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection and the Committee on Health, then to the Committee on Ways and Means	The Honorable Richard W. Pollack, Associate Justice, Supreme Court, State of Hawai'i; The Honorable Ernest Y. Martin, Council Chair, City and County of Honolulu; Major General Gary Hara, United States Army Pacific; Colonel Brian Annichiarico, United States Marine Corps Forces Pacific; Retired Lieutenant General Francis J. Wiercinski, former Commander, United States Army Pacific; The Honorable Scott Dewar, Consul General of Australia; The Honorable Walter K. Paik, Consul General of Korea; The Honorable Julius Torres, Consul General of the Philippines; Mr. V.C. Chu, Director General, Taipei Economic & Cultural Office; The Honorable Gladys Baisa, Council Chair, County of Maui; and The Honorable Ikaika Anderson, Council Vice Chair, City and County of Honolulu.

At this time, Senator Baker rose to introduce Minnesota State Senator Barb Goodwin and Minnesota State Legislative Director for IBEW Bill Heaney.

The Chair then made the following announcements:

“Beginning today, the five bills per day limit is in effect for the remainder of the bill introduction period, and the deadline to submit bills to the Clerk’s office is 6:00 p.m. each day.

“Immediately following our floor session today, please report to the House Chamber for the Joint Session at 10:00 a.m. to receive the Governor’s State of the State Address.

“Tomorrow is a recess day; there will be no floor session tomorrow.”

At 9:20 a.m., on motion by Senator Espero, seconded by Senator Slom and carried, the Senate stood in recess subject to the call of the Chair to meet in Joint Session with the House of Representatives, in accordance with House Concurrent Resolution No. 2, to receive the Governor’s State of the State Address.

JOINT SESSION

The Joint Session of the Senate and the House of Representatives of the Twenty-Seventh Legislature of the State of Hawai'i, Regular Session of 2014, was called to order at 10:04 a.m. by the Honorable Joseph M. Souki, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

At this time, the Speaker welcomed and introduced the following distinguished guests to the members of the Twenty-Seventh Legislature:

The Honorable Shan S. Tsutsui, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, who was presented with a lei by Representative Sylvia Luke;

The Honorable Mark E. Recktenwald, Chief Justice, Supreme Court, State of Hawai'i, who was presented with a lei by Senator Jill N. Tokuda;

Ms. Colette Machado, Chair, Office of Hawaiian Affairs, who was presented with a lei by Senator Gilbert Kahele;

Dr. Nancie Caraway, wife of Governor Abercrombie, who was presented with a lei by Vice Speaker John M. Mizuno;

The Honorable George R. Ariyoshi, former Governor of the State of Hawai'i;

The Honorable John Waihe'e, former Governor of the State of Hawai'i, and Mrs. Lynne Waihe'e;

The Honorable Brian E. Schatz, United States Senator, and Mrs. Linda Schatz;

The Honorable Mazie K. Hirono, United States Senator, and Mr. Leighton Oshima;

The Speaker continued:

“We are honored to have in the gallery today members of the Japanese National Diet who have come to visit our State and initiate a friendship association with members of the Hawai'i Legislature. These Diet members are officers of the Japan-Hawai'i Legislators' Friendship Association.”

The Speaker introduced the following members of the Japanese National Diet: Hiromi Yoshida, Chairperson; Masaji Matsumura, Chief Whip; Aiko Shimajiri, Vice Chairperson; Kenta Wakabayashi, Director General; Iwao Horii, Deputy Director General; and Toyoei Shigeeda, Consul General of Japan.

The Speaker then appointed Representatives Scott K. Saiki and Aaron Ling Johanson on behalf of the House of Representatives, and Senators Will Espero and Sam Slom on behalf of the Senate, to escort the Honorable Neil Abercrombie, Governor of the State of Hawai'i, to the rostrum.

Representative Rida T.R. Cabanilla and Senator Michelle N. Kidani presented Governor Abercrombie with maile and 'ilima lei.

The Speaker then presented to the members of the Twenty-Seventh Legislature and guests the Honorable Neil Abercrombie, Governor of the State of Hawai'i.

Governor Abercrombie presented the State of the State Address as follows:

“Thank you. I felt like Jay Leno saying hello to Jimmy Kimmel. Thank you very much. But before I begin, could we

have a big hand for our congressional delegation, who are smart enough to be here, rather than in Washington where it's snowing right now.

"Madam President, Mr. Speaker, members of the Hawai'i State Legislature, former governors, distinguished justices of the courts, mayors in absence, congressional delegation and other elected officials, honored guests, family and friends, Auntie Aggie, Kamaki, Nancie. Aloha.

"As we begin our session, I ask that we set aside our political preoccupations of the moment and reflect on the privilege we have to serve and the responsibility we have to look to horizons beyond our own concerns. I ask that we begin today with a moment of silence to honor Hawaii National Guard Sergeant Drew Scobie of Kailua, who died earlier this month in Afghanistan. He was 25 years old. He leaves behind his wife, his four-year-old son, and another child yet to be born. Our hearts and best thoughts are with his family during this time. On March 25, the Legislature will hold its Joint Session for the Hawai'i Medal of Honor ceremony to recognize fallen soldiers with Hawai'i ties. I think everyone here wants to work for the day when we have no more fallen to recognize for their ultimate sacrifice, no more families to console for their loss. But until that day, I ask for us to join in a moment of silence and reflection in honor of Sergeant Scobie and his family. If those who are able to rise would do so at this time, may we have a moment of silence on behalf of Sergeant Scobie and his family.

At this time, the members of the Twenty-Seventh Legislature and guests observed a moment of silence for Sergeant Drew Scobie of Kailua.

Governor Abercrombie continued his remarks as follows:

"Mahalo. Thank you very much.

"When I entered office, we issued a call for a 'New Day in Hawai'i.' We presented and implemented a plan that has guided this administration and our state over the last three years through very difficult times. We faced hard choices and had to make some tough decisions. I'm grateful for this legislature's collaboration as we navigated through these troubled waters. The question before us, then, is what direction shall we now set our sights?

"Where do we see our Hawai'i – our people, our keiki, our kūpuna, our 'āina, our businesses – in the future? To answer that core question, we need look no further than our island values. We must be trustees with a duty not just to the present, but to the long-term future of our islands. We must be stewards with a responsibility to protect our identity, our precious human and natural resources, and become more self-sufficient.

"For three years, we have strategically managed our resources, endured shared sacrifices, made fiscally prudent decisions, and have seen our economy measurably improve. This has resulted in a general fund balance of \$844 million for the fiscal year 2013, an historically unprecedented figure that represents a turnaround of more than \$1 billion since 2010! I want to extend my appreciation to all of you in this legislature for helping to make some of those tough decisions; extend our thanks to our public sector employees, who made sacrifices; and the people and businesses of Hawai'i, whose faith and patience made this effort possible.

"I am able to report to you today, our state government's financial house now stands on solid ground.

"We are entering a new phase. The administration's package and supplemental budget do not rely on any new taxes or fees! On the contrary, as you will see, I believe we may be able to reduce taxes in key areas. We have the resources to deliver services to the people of Hawai'i while living within our means.

And, what is most important, my administration's budget philosophy ensures our budget is sustainable. Our financial plan accommodates any fluctuations in revenue projections in the years to come.

"We are stabilizing future costs and expenditures. We are concluding collective bargaining agreements, several of which are for multiple years. We have taken affirmative action in addressing our state's unfunded liabilities – for medical benefits for retirees – and pensions, salvaging both from fiscal disaster.

"We are committed to strengthening the finances of the state with a plan that builds our state revenues up to 10 percent of general fund revenues. These reserves will allow us to weather possible future economic downturns and to guard against the public service cutbacks of the recent past.

"Financial rating agencies recognize our efforts and have improved their outlook assessment of us from negative to stable to positive. What, then, of the future? I shall outline a few central elements for your attention this morning, and I will address other issues in more detail – such as housing, agriculture, energy, et cetera – through messages to you in the days immediately following this address.

"First, there is no more critical issue before us than early childhood development and education. I look forward to strengthening relationships with the private and nonprofit sectors by the passage of the constitutional amendment to provide for partnerships in early education. I appreciate the Legislature's support last session for our expansion of the Preschool Open Doors program.

"Administrative rules are nearly complete. The program envisions providing assistance to over 1,200 families of four-year-old children that will no longer be eligible to attend kindergarten as of August 1 of this year.

"However, this modest approach is not enough. Some 5,000 four-year-olds will be affected by this change in the age requirement. Some families have the financial capacity to afford the average preschool rate of over \$8,000 per year. Many middle-income families will struggle and have to make difficult choices. Most lesser-income families will be precluded from the option of making any choices.

"We know that the early years of a child's development are crucial in setting the foundation for a child's behavior and lifelong learning. From birth to age five, more than 85 percent of a person's brain development takes place. An alarming number of our children are entering school without the basics needed to succeed in school: wanting to read, vocabulary acquisition, learning how to behave within a group (a lesson we could all take to heart ourselves).

"Investing in our children's early years will pay dividends down the road in the form of healthy and contributing adults, reduced crime and incarceration, and less dependency on social services.

"We invest in ourselves by investing in early childhood education.

"Our plan is to build and strengthen Hawai'i's mixed delivery system of early learning programs. Community-based preschools are now and will be a key component. To expand access for four-year-olds, we are proposing direct services in 32 classrooms across the state, half of which are on the neighbor islands.

"We are seeking additional resources for Family-Child Interaction Learning programs. We are proposing support for families who participate in the Preschool Open Doors. These requests total approximately \$8 million. Our plan is targeted, aimed at helping those who otherwise have little or no options.

These initial investments will serve an additional 1,040 children and their families.

“Now, I realize this is an election year. Political agendas and ambitions are being formulated. But let us take children out of these equations. Let us resolve – all of us – to be champions of children. You have my pledge and my word on that.

“Our unemployment has improved to the fifth lowest in the nation. Three years ago, the Unemployment Compensation Trust Fund was practically bankrupt. Our progress over the last three years has allowed us to reduce unemployment insurance tax rates for 2014 by 35 percent. Employers will pay \$130 million less in taxes, or \$300 less per employee on average for 2014.

“But a hardworking sector of our community has gone seven years without seeing their wages rise. Therefore, I will be proposing a bill to increase the minimum wage by \$1.50 to at least \$8.75 starting in January 2015. Average weekly earnings have increased 16 percent since 2007. For minimum wage workers, it’s zero. Currently, 21 other states plus the District of Columbia have higher minimum wage rates than Hawai‘i, while our minimum wage earners are confronted by much higher living costs.

“It is a myth that increases to the minimum wage just benefit entry-level workers, mostly teenagers. In Hawai‘i, 85 percent of minimum wage workers are 21 years old or older. The last four times the minimum wage was raised, on average, the number of jobs increased by 2.2 percent over the following 12 months. Twenty percent of our children in Hawai‘i under six years of age, over 22,000 children, live in low-income working families – low-income working families.

“Now, I’m aware that the issue of tip credit in the hospitality/restaurant service sector was the stumbling block last year. I want you to know I’m prepared to accept a reasonable accommodation on this point. Employees who earn tips, as I did waiting tables at Chuck’s Steak House in Waikīkī, have the opportunity to earn tips and to add to their income. Minimum wage earners in other jobs do not. They cannot offset any deductions. Let’s move quickly and resolutely on this issue.

“Homelessness is an issue for which there is no simple answer. In 2011, I established the Hawaii Interagency Council on Homelessness. The council is comprised of state department directors; federal agency representatives; and community, religious, and business leaders. Mayors and county councils across the state are united in coming to grips with this issue. On O‘ahu, where the need is greatest, we could not have a better partner than Mayor Kirk Caldwell and the City Council, led by Council Chair Ernie Martin.

“In December, the Interagency Council submitted an action plan to you for your consideration. We must now deliver on this plan; for example, by giving support to the Housing First program, which houses and cares for the chronically homeless and those who suffer from a disability. Housing First is an evidence-based best practice, currently being used in Denver, Seattle, and Utah. It has established that providing housing and support services under this mode saves taxpayers money and reduces homelessness.

“When I took office, many inmates served their sentences out-of-state. This sent Hawai‘i dollars out of the state and took many inmates away from appropriate facilities and alternative programs here in the islands. In addition, it often decreased the chances of successful rehabilitation as prisoners were away from their families. We had no plan or commitment to do or act otherwise.

“Nearly 2,000 prisoners in that context were in mainland facilities. At the end of the last fiscal year, we reduced that

number by 600. Starting this July, more prisoners will be coming home when we reopen Kulani Correctional Facility on the Big Island.

“It’s clear we need additional facilities. Most of our current decades-old structures are deteriorated, over capacity, and poorly designed.

“The Department of Public Safety has issued a request for information to procure a comprehensive plan to return prisoners, build facilities with sufficient capacity to keep those prisoners who present a danger to our community properly incarcerated, and to provide programmatic options while keeping our communities safe.

“And here may I add a personal note of gratitude from me and my wife, Dr. Nancie Caraway, to this legislature. You have passed and we are now implementing a domestic workers’ bill of rights – only the second such law in our nation. Headlines from around the world, as recently as yesterday, confirm a sordid picture of exploitation and degradation. You have also strengthened laws against domestic violence and human trafficking.

“Thanks to all of you, the intense work of the Attorney General’s office, the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations, the Civil Rights Commission, the State Commission on the Status of Women, and the Office of Community Services, these crimes against our common humanity will not be tolerated in Hawai‘i.

“Now, there are times for planning and there are times for acting. Now is the time to preserve open spaces at Turtle Bay.

“The dispute over the expansion of the resort into adjacent coastal and open lands has been going on for decades. Whether in the courts, in permitting proceedings, in the North Shore community, in the community at large, this issue has been divisive and disruptive.

“I am requesting authority to use general obligation bonds to obtain a conservation easement of more than 600 acres at the site. This guarantees these lands will remain open and free of development, and open to public access in perpetuity.

“Similarly, I am requesting general obligation funds to enable the state to work with a renewable energy company, NextEra, to purchase agricultural and conservation lands currently owned by the Dole Company – nearly 20,000 acres of open space between Wahiawā and Hale‘iwa on the North Shore of O‘ahu.

“We need to make this investment to secure these lands so they do not become a temptation for development and urbanization. Moreover, this purchase will ensure a combination of energy production and contemporary farming.

“We move to Mauna Kea. Mauna Kea is Hawai‘i’s gift to the world – the best place on the planet to observe the universe. It is without peer. It provides an unparalleled opportunity to advance our knowledge of our universe. Today, we celebrate 50 years of astronomy in Hawai‘i with 13 observatories from 11 countries and over a billion dollars in infrastructure atop Mauna Kea. One project will solidify Hawai‘i’s position as the world’s premier astronomy center – the \$1.3 billion Thirty Meter Telescope. The TMT will be the catalyst for the development of high-tech and high-paying jobs. TMT is presently partnering with the Institute of Astronomy’s Akamai Workforce Initiative to train local college students for technical fields. The initiative promotes STEM initiatives relating to local robotics and science programs. It is also investing \$1 million every year in education so our children can reach for the stars. Our state must support and ensure this tremendous opportunity comes to fruition.

“This leads us to the reality of climate change, which is becoming more and more evident across Hawai‘i and the planet. Our islands are especially vulnerable to the impacts, and we cannot wait to act.

“In the fall, I was appointed by President Obama to serve on the State, Local, and Tribal Leaders Task Force on Climate Preparedness and Resilience. At our first meeting in Washington in December, governors, mayors, and tribal leaders from around our country discussed the effects of climate change on their jurisdictions. One thing was apparent despite our vast geographic, topographic, and community differences: today’s climate changes are warning bells signaling the necessity for preparedness now.

“At that forum, we emphasized that the Hawaiian Islands are a learning laboratory for scalable, innovative mitigation; for adaptation policies and techniques; for providing a model on local and regional collaboration.

“The State Office of Planning has been instrumental in coordinating efforts to update our Ocean Resources Management Plan. We have a state sustainability coordinator in the Department of Land and Natural Resources with authority to work across department lines for planning purposes.

“The Senate-House Majority Package includes the Hawaii Climate Adaptation Initiative, which supports research, planning, and coordination. The Interagency Climate Council plays a key role in this initiative. I will be convening Resilient Hawai‘i Forums this year to engage stakeholders – Native Hawaiian organizations, natural resource managers, the military, tourism officials, agricultural representatives, researchers, and government – at all levels. These forums will create a climate change roadmap for Hawai‘i.

“Protection of our environment from invasive species must be a top priority. We are experiencing a biological crisis and deadly threat to our isolated ecosystem, our natural resources, and our economy. A multitude of invaders – such as the little fire ant that can blind animals and destroy nesting birds and hatchlings, the coconut rhinoceros beetle, and parasites attacking coffee crops – graphically illustrate the seriousness of this issue.

“The work of the interagency Hawai‘i Invasive Species Council is tasked with combatting this menace. I endorse your legislative initiatives proposing up to \$5 million to meet operating costs of invasive species programs.

“This session, my administrative package will include a sustainability investment strategy to advance targets in clean energy development, local food production, natural resource management, waste reduction, smart growth, green jobs creation, and housing for the working middle class.

“This includes funding to support watershed protection, farming infrastructure, invasive species management, e-waste recycling, transportation planning, and creating jobs associated with that and meeting needs.

“Early in my remarks, I commented on the necessity of providing preschool education as a foundation for the future of our children. That observation needs to be bookended by consideration of ways to promote security and dignity on the other end of the spectrum of life – those of us, like myself, experiencing our senior years.

“Not only do we need to protect seniors from fraud and abuse, and assist with care issues, but I believe we can provide tax relief measures that will have practical and immediate benefits for seniors.

“I will be asking the Legislature to look at the way we tax seniors in order to provide more equity and fairness for those on

fixed and middle incomes to see that more money remains in their pocketbooks. We need to bring parity to the way we look at and tax retirement income.

“I accept and understand the message on pension income and taxation. If you have an employer-sponsored pension, it is exempt from income tax, and that will not change. But everyone may not be aware that other pensions – not employer-based – are being taxed right now. Thousands of Hawai‘i seniors are paying income tax even on low- and middle-income retirement benefits.

“I propose to exempt any presently taxed income from all sources for taxpayers age 65 and older with an adjusted gross income of \$25,000, an adjusted gross income of \$35,000 for heads of households, or an adjusted gross income of \$45,000 for joint filing.

“This assures that these seniors will not have their present retirement income taxed. This will affect as many as 25,000 or more seniors throughout Hawai‘i.

“I also propose to double the current refundable food/excise tax credit for taxpayers 65 years or older whose AGI is less than \$50,000. This is a direct payment to the senior taxpayer. This will affect as many as 110,000 Hawai‘i seniors or more.

“I am also requesting we increase the Kupuna Care budget by \$4.2 million and make it permanent. This program enables seniors to remain in and receive care in their homes. This is an investment that will pay big dividends as our senior population ages, grows in numbers, and lives longer.

“These proposals, my friends, address the practical, everyday reality of expenses for seniors. They’re across-the-board fairness in application, can take effect immediately, and fit comfortably into our long-term financial stabilization plan.

“I began my remarks today in sad recognition of the sacrifice of his life by Sergeant Scobie. I have spoken of other sacrifices we have made or need to make in acknowledgment of our responsibilities to and for each other, and to advance the common good of us all.

“Referencing that sobering context, please allow me to conclude my thoughts today with some reflection on the passing of our beloved Loretta Fuddy. It is difficult even now, more than a month since her death, to accept its finality because of the vitality of her presence. I said at the time, our hearts were broken, but I also know she would remind us of the biblical admonition that life is for the living: the duty to carry on, to offer the hope and encouragement to others that marked her life – every day of it.

“I would like to thank the University of Hawai‘i Foundation for setting up the Loretta Deliana Fuddy Memorial Scholarship in Health, Human and Public Service. This will provide a lasting legacy to the University of Hawai‘i students, on any UH campus, who are committed to pursuing a career in health and public and human services.

“Loretta was a lifelong supporter of public health measures. She was a lifelong advocate for families and children. She set the standard for helping those in dire need of services that promoted and nurtured their health and wellbeing.

“So, I am requesting additional funding for the Department of Health’s Early Intervention Services. The program provides critical services to children with developmental delays from birth to three years of age. The program provides positive intervention in the crucial areas of cognitive and physical function, social and emotional wellbeing, and adaptive skills. Loretta Fuddy was their champion.

“There are, of course, several budget requests and bills that will be proposed by the Department of Health, all of which are important. Nonetheless, I am asking for your specific attention to make funding for Early Intervention Services a priority. This will serve as a fitting tribute and appropriate legacy to honor Loretta. There will be lasting benefits for the affected families and children – the children she loved and cared for passionately to her last day.

“None of us knows with any certainty how much time will be given to us. What we do know is that the time given us as public servants is a public trust. We justify that trust only by acting in the public interest.

“The financial stability we’ve achieved, coupled with our long-term plan to sustain it, presents us with the opportunity to act both with confidence and with dispatch. In this legislature, public trust and the public interest can meet and be joined – now. Let’s do it together. Mahalo.”

Senate President Donna Mercado Kim then rose and stated:

“Thank you, Governor Abercrombie. On behalf of the Senate and the House of Representatives, we would like to thank you for sharing with us your vision and ideas this morning. We would like to emphasize our willingness to work with you to find solutions to the many challenges that you just mentioned. We will seek to accomplish our common goals and work collaboratively with you to work out our differences.

“With that, I now declare this Joint Session adjourned.”

At 10:44 a.m., Senate President Kim declared the Joint Session adjourned.

ADJOURNMENT

At 10:44 a.m., the Senate adjourned until 11:30 a.m., Thursday, January 23, 2014.