

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: GOV. MSG. NOS. 485,
486, 487

Honorable Robert Bunda
President of the Senate
Twenty-Third State Legislature
Regular Session of 2006
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Higher Education, to which was referred Governor's Message Nos. 485, 486, and 487, submitting for study and consideration the nominations of:

CENTER FOR NURSING ADVISORY BOARD

G.M. No. 485 DALE M. ALLISON, PhD, APRN, FAAN,
for a term to expire 6-30-2010;

G.M. No. 486 JOAN ANNE CRAFT,
for a term to expire 6-30-2008; and

G.M. No. 487 VICKY K. POLAND,
for a term to expire 6-30-2007,

begs leave to report as follows:

Testimony in support of the nomination of DALE M. ALLISON was submitted by two individuals. Dr. Allison holds a Ph.D. from the University of Pennsylvania and is currently Professor and Graduate Program Chair in the School of Nursing at Hawaii Pacific University (HPU). She also directs the Ho`ola Like Outreach Project for family nurse practitioners and traditional Hawaiian healers at the Waikiki Health Center. She co-founded the Transcultural Nursing Center at HPU, and co-directs its Service Learning Program. Dr. Allison will fill the position of doctorally-prepared nurse educator on the Advisory Board.

No testimony in support of the nomination of JOAN ANNE CRAFT was submitted. Ms. Craft is a staff nurse at Queens Medical




Center intensive care unit with a certification in critical care and neurological nursing, and is Vice President of the Hawaii Nurses Association. She will represent labor on the Advisory Board, where she will have an opportunity to work on a variety of factors to help mitigate the nursing shortage that Hawaii is experiencing.

No testimony in support of the nomination of VICKY K. POLAND was submitted. Ms. Poland is a critical care registered nurse in the coronary care unit at Kuakini Medical Center, and serves on the Hawaii Nurses Association board of directors. She will represent HNA on the Advisory Board, where she can help address the increasing challenge of the current nursing shortage in Hawaii.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Higher Education that is attached to this report, your Committee, after full consideration of the background, experience, and qualifications of the nominees, has found the nominees to be qualified for the positions to which nominated and recommends that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Higher Education,



CLAYTON HEE, Chair



