

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: GOV. MSG. NO. 277

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Transportation and Government Operations, to which was referred Governor's Message No. 277, submitting for study and consideration the nominations of:

MEDICAL ADVISORY BOARD

G.M. No. 277 JOYCE H. CASSEN, MD,
for a term to expire 6-30-2010,

begs leave to report as follows:

Your Committee received testimony in support of the nominee from Department of Transportation, Laser Eye Center of Hawaii, and one individual.

The nominee is a reappointment. The nominee received a BA degree in chemistry, a Ph.D degree in experimental pathology, and an MD degree from Case Western Reserve University. She is a practicing ophthalmologist with the Aina Haina Eye Center.

According to testimony of the Department of Transportation, Dr. Cassen contributes significantly to the work of the Medical Advisory Board. She attends all the meetings and is an active participant at the board meetings. The Director of Transportation expects that Dr. Cassen will become significantly involved in making recommendations on driver licensing with regard to the ability of elderly persons to drive safely.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Transportation and Government Operations 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 Transportation and
Government Operations,


LORRAINE R. INOUYE, Chair



