

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 31 2006

RE: GOV. MSG. NO. 293

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary and Hawaiian Affairs, to which was referred Governor's Message No. 293, submitting for study and consideration the nomination of:

COMMISSION TO PROMOTE UNIFORM LEGISLATION

G.M. No. 293 ELIZABETH KENT,
for a term to expire 6-30-2010,

begs leave to report as follows:

Your Committee has reviewed the resume and statement submitted by the nominee, and finds the nominee to have the necessary qualifications to be appointed to the Commission to Promote Uniform Legislation.

Your Committee received testimony in support of ELIZABETH KENT from the Attorney General, the Department of the Attorney General Crime Prevention and Justice Assistance Division, the Office of the Administrative Director of the Judiciary, and five individuals.

Ms. Kent has been serving as a commissioner of the Commission to Promote Uniform Legislation since 1998. A graduate of the William S. Richardson School of Law, Ms. Kent is a lawyer licensed to practice law in the State of Hawaii and has served as the Deputy Director of Human Services in the executive branch. Ms. Kent is currently the Director of the Center for Alternative Dispute Resolution in the Judiciary.

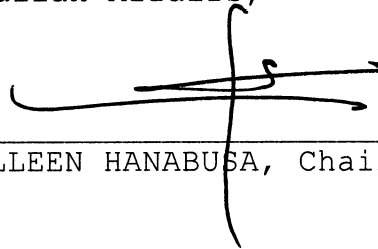


As a commissioner, Ms. Kent is committed to promoting uniform legislation and has actively participated in the meetings of the Commission and of the National Conference. Since her last appointment in 2002, Ms. Kent has served as a member of the National Conference's Standby Committee on the Uniform Mediation Act, the Committee to Draft International Conciliation Amendments to the Uniform Mediation Act, the Study Committee on Public Health Emergency Response Authority, the Study on E-Government, and the Study Committee on Collaborative Law.

Your Committee finds that Ms. Kent's wealth of knowledge and experience will be an asset to the Commission and recommends her appointment.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary and Hawaiian Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee, after full consideration of the background, experience, and qualifications of the nominee, has found the nominee to be qualified for the position to which nominated and recommends that the Senate advise and consent to the nomination.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Judiciary and
Hawaiian Affairs,



COLLEEN HANABUSA, Chair



