

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

3479

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 08 2008

RE: GOV. MSG. NOS. 350,  
351, 352, 353

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2008  
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Human Services and Public Housing, to which was referred Governor's Message Nos. 350, 351, 352, and 353, submitting for study and consideration the nominations of:

STATEWIDE COUNCIL ON INDEPENDENT LIVING

G.M. No. 350	LILLIAN GONZALES BROWN, for a term to expire 6-30-2011;
G.M. No. 351	LOUISE R. HORIO, for a term to expire 6-30-2011;
G.M. No. 352	MARGARET LEVY-DOHANOS CAN, for a term to expire 6-30-2011; and
G.M. No. 353	SANDRA K. MEEHAN, for a term to expire 6-30-2011;

begs leave to report as follows:

Your Committee received written testimony in support of each of the nominees from the Department of Human Services and oral testimony in support of each of the nominees from the State Independent Living Council (SILC).

Your Committee received additional written testimony in support of nominee Louise R. Horio from the Interagency COORDINATION Councils and two private citizens. Written comments on the nomination were submitted by the Disability and Communication Access Board.

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Your Committee received additional written testimony in support of nominee Margaret Levy-Dohanos Can from CareResource Hawaii, and two private citizens.

Your Committee received additional written testimony in support of nominee Sandra K. Meehan from Hawaii Fi-Do Service and Therapy Dogs and one private citizen.

Nominee Brown currently serves as the SILC Treasurer. An individual with a disability herself, she is also a freelance disability educator and consultant.

Nominee Horio currently serves as a substitute member of SILC. She is a retired school teacher of thirty years, now physically disabled and significantly visually impaired, the current President of Hui Kupuna VIP, a senior group of visually impaired persons, and a member of the Working Group to develop the 2008 Interagency Action Plan for the Emergency Preparedness of People with Disabilities and Special Health Needs.

Nominee Can currently serves as a member of SILC. She has been a certified nursing assistant and caregiver for seventeen years, a longtime public transportation and paratransit advocate, is a founding member/owner of the Paradise Home Care Cooperative set to open in June 2008, and a member of the Puna Community Development Plan Mass Transit Working Group.

Nominee Meehan currently serves as the Chair of SILC. She has considerable work experience in independent living and the development of independent living outreach services and centers, including directorship of the Tri-County Independent Living Center, advocate with the Association of Independent Living Centers of Utah, and outreach coordinator for the Hawaii Centers for Independent Living. She is also an individual with a disability, and has been a longtime advocate for persons with disabilities.

Upon review of the testimony, personal history, and statements submitted by the nominees, your Committee finds that the nominees have the necessary qualifications to serve on the Statewide Council on Independent Living.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committee on Human Services and Public Housing that are 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 Human Services and  
Public Housing,

*Suzanne Chun Oakland*  
SUZANNE CHUN OAKLAND, Chair








The Senate  
Twenty-Fourth Legislature  
State of Hawaii

**Record of Votes**  
**Committee on Human Services and Public Housing**  
**HSP**  
**Advise and Consent**

Governor's Message No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
GM 352	HSP	3/11/08		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its decision				
The Recommendation is:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Advise and Consent 2340		<input type="checkbox"/> Not Advise and Consent 2345		
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne (C)	✓			
IHARA, Jr., Les (VC)	✓			
HOOSER, Gary L.				✓
SAKAMOTO, Norman	✓			
HEMMINGS, Fred				✓
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>
Recommendation:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted		<input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted		
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
				
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