

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1094

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 02 2009

RE: GOV. MSG. NO. 458

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2009  
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Water, Land, Agriculture, and Hawaiian Affairs, to which was referred Governor's Message No. 458, submitting for study and consideration the nomination of:

MOLOKAI IRRIGATION SYSTEM WATER USERS ADVISORY BOARD

G.M. No. 458      STEVEN L. ARCE,  
for a term to expire 6-30-2013,

begs leave to report as follows:

Your Committee has reviewed the personal history, resume, and statement submitted by the nominee, and finds Steven L. Arce to have the necessary qualifications to be nominated to the Molokai Irrigation System Water Users Advisory Board.

Testimony in support of the nomination of Mr. Arce was submitted by one state agency, one organization, and one individual. Written testimony presented to the Committee may be reviewed on the Legislature's website.

Mr. Arce is currently a Farm Tractor Operator for Mycogen Seeds. He is a member of the Hikiola Agricultural Cooperative and previously managed the operations of Molokai Hay, a farm business that harvests and sells grass to owners of horses, cattle, and goats, for twelve years.

Mr. Arce has voluntarily served on the Molokai Irrigation System Water Users Advisory Board since July 2007 as the representative of the Molokai Farm Bureau. According to testimony, he has attended every scheduled meeting of the Board



and has participated in all Roadmap to Improvement Meetings. Mr. Arce's extensive farming experience, knowledge of the Molokai Irrigation System, understanding of the challenges farmers face, and commitment to sustainable agriculture on Molokai make him an excellent candidate to serve another term on the Board.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Water, Land, Agriculture, 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 Water, Land,  
Agriculture, and Hawaiian  
Affairs,

  
CLAYTON HEE, Chair



The Senate  
Twenty-Fifth Legislature  
State of Hawaii

**Record of Votes**  
**Committee on Water, Land, Agriculture and Hawaiian Affairs**  
**WTL**  
**Advise and Consent**

Governor's Message No.:* <b>GM 458</b>	Committee Referral: <b>WTL</b>	Date: <b>3/20/09</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its decision				
The Recommendation is:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Advise and Consent 2340 <span style="margin-left: 200px;"><input type="checkbox"/> Not Advise and Consent 2345</span>				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
HEE, Clayton (C)	✓			
TOKUDA, Jill N. (VC)	✓			
BUNDA, Robert				✓
FUKUNAGA, Carol	✓			
KOKUBUN, Russell S.	✓			
TAKAMINE, Dwight Y.	✓			
HEMMINGS, Fred				✓
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>5</b>			<b>2</b>
Recommendation:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <span style="margin-left: 200px;"><input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted</span>				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
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