

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: GOV. MSG. NO. 425

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2010  
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Water, Land, Agriculture, and Hawaiian Affairs, to which was referred Governor's Message No. 425, submitting for study and consideration the nomination of:

ISLAND BURIAL COUNCIL, ISLANDS OF KAUA'I AND NI'HAU

G.M. No. 425 CLISSON KUNANE AIPOALANI,  
for a term to expire 6-30-2014,

begs leave to report as follows:

Your Committee has reviewed the personal history, resume, and statements of the nominee, and finds Clisson Kunane Aipoalani to have the necessary qualifications for the Island Burial Council for the Islands of Kauai and Niihau.

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

Mr. Aipoalani is presently the Chair of the Island Burial Council for the Islands of Kauai and Niihau, and represents the geographic area of Waimea. He is presently employed as a Transportation Data Entry Clerk for the ITT Corporation at the Barking Sands Pacific Missile Range Facility. Mr. Aipoalani has served as a Kauai Planning Commissioner, and is a current Board member of the Kekaha Federal Credit Union and Na Papa O Mana Council. He was an ITT Employee of the Year nominee in 2003, a recipient of the 2003 Award of Excellence, and is a music entertainer.



Mr. Aipoalani is a well-respected member of the community. As Chair of the Island Burial Council for the Islands of Kauai and Niihau, he has shown poise and confidence in handling emotional and hostile crowds. He has a compassionate and well-balanced approach in working with burial plans. Mr. Aipoalani is conscientious of how the Council's decisions will affect future generations, and aware of the legacy left by kupuna. Mr. Aipoalani is committed to the reinternment of iwi kupuna that are in storage. He volunteered to take those that belonged in his district and, after gaining approval from the State Historic Preservation Division, had them buried in his ohana's burial site at Poohonu in Polihale. Your Committee appreciates Mr. Aipoalani's commitment, and looks forward to his continued contributions to the Island Burial Council.

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



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

Governor's Message No.:* <b>GM 425</b>	Committee Referral: <b>WTL</b>	Date: <b>4/7/10</b>		
<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
HEE, Clayton (C)	/			
TOKUDA, Jill N. (VC)	/			
BUNDA, Robert	/			
FUKUNAGA, Carol	/			
KOKUBUN, Russell S.				/
TAKAMINE, Dwight Y.				/
HEMMINGS, Fred				/
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
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