

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: GOV. MSG. NO. 540

Honorable Shan S. Tsutsui
President of the Senate
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2012
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Economic Development and Technology, to which was referred Governor's Message No. 540, submitting for study and consideration the nomination of:

OFFICE OF INFORMATION MANAGEMENT AND TECHNOLOGY

G.M. No. 540 SANJEEV BHAGOWALIA,
for a term to expire 6-30-2015.

begs leave to report as follows:

Your Committee has reviewed the personal history, resume, and statement submitted by the nominee and finds Sanjeev Bhagowalia to possess the requisite qualifications to be nominated as the Chief Information Officer, Office of Information Management and Technology.

Your Committee received testimony in support of the nomination of Sanjeev Bhagowalia from Department of Accounting and General Services; Department of Agriculture; Department of Budget and Finance; Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism; Department of Defense; Department of Education; Department of Human Resources Development; Department of Labor and Industrial Relations; Department of Taxation; Department of Transportation; City and County of Honolulu Department of Information Technology; Hawaii Community Foundation; and six individuals.

Sanjeev Bhagowalia began serving as the State's Chief Information Officer on July 6, 2011, and is responsible for working in collaboration with all state agencies to transform

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information technology and information resource management to meet the needs of the State and citizens of Hawaii. Prior to this position, Mr. Bhagowalia served as the Deputy Associate Administrator, Office of Citizen Services and Innovative Technologies, United States General Services Administration, and led the agency's efforts in implementing e-Government ("e-Gov") and Open-Government ("Open-Gov") programs in an agile, secure, and reliable manner. He has also served as Chief Information Officer of the United States Department of the Interior and the Bureau of Indian Affairs, as a member of the Federal Chief Information Officer Council Executive Committee, and an Information Technology Program Management Executive with the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Mr. Bhagowalia has fourteen years of experience in private sector businesses, including The Boeing Company. He holds a Master of Science degree in Information Resource Management from Syracuse University and Master of Science and Bachelor of Science degrees in Electrical Engineering from Louisiana State University, and is also a Distinguished Graduate from the National Defense University. Mr. Bhagowalia has received numerous government and industry awards, including the Presidential Rank Award for Meritorious Executive Service, NASA Award of Merit, and two Federal 100 Awards, and was named by Information Week as one of the top 50 CIO Leaders in the Federal, State, and Local Government.

Mr. Bhagowalia has outlined his objectives and the initiatives necessary to transform the State's technology infrastructure through a vision for the future, leadership, a collaborative approach, and business process reengineering to help state agencies transform the way government delivers programs and services more efficiently.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Economic Development and Technology 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 Economic
Development and Technology,


CAROL FUKUNAGA, Chair



