

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

3471

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 13 2012

RE: GOV. MSG. NOS. 784,  
785, 786, 787, 788

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Energy and Environment, to which was referred Governor's Message Nos. 784, 785, 786, 787, and 788, submitting for study and consideration the nominations of:

ENVIRONMENTAL COUNCIL

G.M. No. 784      MARK AMBLER,  
for a term to expire 6-30-2016;

G.M. No. 785      KOALANI KAULUKUKUI,  
for a term to expire 6-30-2016;

G.M. No. 786      AZITA QUON,  
for a term to expire 6-30-2016;

G.M. No. 787      JOHN RICHARDS,  
for a term to expire 6-30-2016; and

G.M. No. 788      GLENN TEVES,  
for a term to expire 6-30-2016,

begs leave to report as follows:

Your Committee has reviewed the personal histories, resumes, and statements submitted by the nominees and finds Mark Ambler, Koalani Kaulukukui, Azita Quon, John Richards, and Glenn Teves to possess the requisite qualifications to be nominated to the Environmental Council.



MARK AMBLER

Your Committee received testimony in support of the nomination of Mark Ambler from the Office of Environmental Quality Control; General Contractors Association of Hawaii; Building Industry Association of Hawaii; S&M Sakamoto, Inc.; Weston Solutions, Inc.; Hawaii Solar Energy Association; Grace Pacific Corporation; King & Neel, Inc.; and five individuals.

Your Committee finds that Mr. Ambler is a Senior Project Engineer at Weston Solutions, Inc., and a Professional Engineer licensed in the State of Hawaii. The nominee also has a Project Management Professional certification. Mr. Ambler was formerly a Project Manager at Clean Air Engineering, Inc., and received his engineering degree from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

Mr. Ambler has supported and championed implementation of sustainable concepts such as Green Roofs and Green Remediation in Hawaii and has shared those positive examples across the country. In his professional capacity, Mr. Ambler served as an environmental engineer and consultant to a resort development that implemented Hawaii's first large commercial Green Roof project.

KOALANI KAULUKUKUI

Your Committee received testimony in support of the nomination of Koalani Kaulukukui from the Office of Environmental Quality Control; Office of Hawaiian Affairs; The Trust for Public Land; Earth Corps, Hawaiian Hui; Ho'okipa Network - Kaua'i; Conservation Council for Hawai'i; Mauna Kea Anaina Hou; and thirty-four individuals.

Your Committee finds that Ms. Kaulukukui is a land management specialist at the Office of Hawaiian Affairs and an attorney licensed to practice in the State of Hawaii. The nominee has also worked for the Department of Land and Natural Resources; United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region IX; and the non-profit environmental law firm EarthJustice. As a policy advocate at the Office of Hawaiian Affairs in 2006, the nominee reviewed and commented on environmental assessments and environmental impacts statements.

Ms. Kaulukukui received her Juris Doctorate with a Certificate in Environmental Law from the University of Hawaii William S. Richardson School of Law. During her spare time, the



nominee serves on the boards of two local non-profit organizations dedicated to the natural and cultural resources of Hawaii and on the state Forest Stewardship Advisory Committee.

#### AZITA QUON

Your Committee received testimony in support of the nomination of Azita Quon from the Office of Environmental Quality Control, United Association of Plumbers and Fitters Local 675, Mikiko Corporation, and eight individuals.

Your Committee finds that Ms. Quon is a registered architect in the State of Hawaii and holds a certification in Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design. The nominee has a Bachelor of Science degree in architecture from the University of Oregon. Ms. Quon has worked for the firms of Wimberly, Allison, Tong, and Goo, Inc., and Architects Hawaii, Ltd., in her twenty-five year career as an architect and planner in Hawaii.

Most recently, Ms. Quon has worked on the master planning to accommodate the redeployment of United States Marines from Okinawa to Guam. As a result of this experience, the nominee gained a deeper understanding of the federal environmental review process. The nominee has also implemented sustainable architectural approaches in the Lanikea complex, the Moana Pacific, and a number of resorts.

#### JOHN RICHARDS

Your Committee received testimony in support of the nomination of John Richards from the Office of Environmental Quality Control, and one individual.

Your Committee finds that Mr. Richards is a rancher from Hawaii County. He is currently a partner in Waimea Water Services, LLC, and was formerly the Operations Manager at Kahua Ranch Limited for twelve years. His previous experience includes five years of service in the United States Army, which comprised experience as a Platoon Leader and Operations Officer. Mr. Richards holds a Bachelor of Science in Animal Science from Washington State University and has received various infantry-related training from the United States Army.

Mr. Richards is seeking a reappointment to the Environmental Council. The nominee's first four-year term on the Environmental Council expires on June 30, 2012. During his first term,



Mr. Richards proved himself to be a reliable, thoughtful, and valuable contributing member of the Environmental Council.

GLENN TEVES


Your Committee received testimony in support of the nomination of Glenn Teves from the Office of Environmental Quality Control, Office of Hawaiian Affairs, Hawaii's Thousand Friends, Hawai'i Land Restoration Institute, Conservation Council for Hawai'i, The Kohala Center, and fifteen individuals.

Your Committee finds that the nominee is employed by the University of Hawaii College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources as a County Extension Agent on the island of Molokai. Mr. Teves is a graduate of public schools, Kamehameha Schools, and the University of Hawaii at Manoa, where he studied ethnobotany, entomology, the Hawaiian environment, plant pathology, and plant breeding. The nominee also serves as Farm Coordinator for the Mamalahoa Project in Waimanalo.

Mr. Teves is descended from a family of ranchers. He is committed to environmental issues as demonstrated through his scholarship on taro and lei plants and his service as an expert witness in contested case proceedings. Mr. Teves has lived on the island of Molokai for the last thirty years, where he farms Hawaiian homelands, raising apple bananas and taro.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committee on Energy and Environment 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.

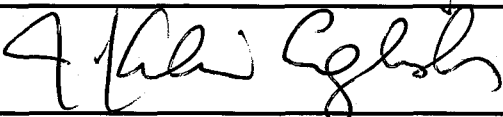
Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Energy and  
Environment,

  
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MIKE GABBARD, Chair



The Senate  
Twenty-Sixth Legislature  
State of Hawai'i

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Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
GABBARD, Mike (C)	✓			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani (VC)	✓			
GREEN, M.D., Josh				✓
IHARA, Jr., Les	✓			
SLOM, Sam				✓
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Governor's Message No.:* <b>GM 785</b>	Committee Referral: <b>ENE</b>	Date: <b>27 March 2012</b>		
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GABBARD, Mike (C)	✓			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani (VC)	✓			
GREEN, M.D., Josh				✓
IHARA, Jr., Les	✓			
SLOM, Sam				✓
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ENGLISH, J. Kalani (VC)	✓			
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