

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1554

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 16 2013

RE: GOV. MSG. NO. 790

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2013  
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Transportation and International Affairs, to which was referred Governor's Message No. 790, submitting for study and consideration the nomination of:

STATE HIGHWAY SAFETY COUNCIL

G.M. No. 790 JOVANIE DE LA CRUZ,  
for a term to expire 6-30-2017,

begs leave to report as follows:

Your Committee has reviewed the personal history, resume, and statement submitted by the nominee and finds Jovanie de la Cruz to possess the requisite qualifications to be nominated to the State Highway Safety Council.

Your Committee received testimony in support of the nominee from the Department of Transportation, National Federation of Filipino American Associations, Filipinos for Affirmative Action, Filipino American Citizens League, United Filipino Council of Hawaii, Filipino Coalition for Solidarity, and two individuals.

Jovanie de la Cruz received a Bachelor's degree in Political Science and a Bachelor's degree in Filipino and Philippine Literature, as well as a Certificate in Law and Society from the University of Hawai'i at Manoa, where he was on the Dean's List every semester from the Fall 2006 to graduation in Spring 2010. The nominee currently teaches in the Department of Indo-Pacific Languages and Literatures at the University of Hawai'i at Manoa, where he lectures in Filipino language and culture courses. He is a language translator of Filipino and Ilokano languages, and is

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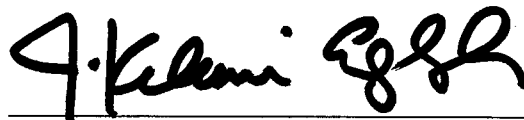
active in various community programs relating to Filipino culture and languages.

Your Committee notes from the testimony that Jovanie de la Cruz is thoughtful and diligent in his analysis and is deeply committed to making Hawaii a better and safer place to live. He endeavors to understand complex issues and is an effective consensus builder who is modest and unassuming.

Your Committee further notes the following excerpt from the nominee's personal statement, "Being a member of the State Highway Safety Council means that I must be an active advocate of safety for State Highway users...I would say that the three qualities that best describe me are passionate, team-player, and dedicated....My dedication to serve our great State will benefit the Council."

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Transportation and International 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 Transportation and  
International Affairs, •

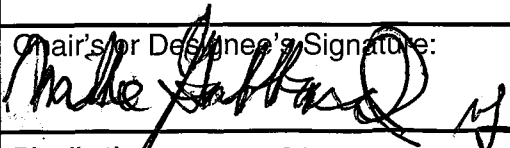


J. KALANI ENGLISH, Chair



The Senate  
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**Record of Votes**  
**Committee on Transportation and International Affairs**  
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**Advise and Consent**

Governor's Message No.:*	Committee Referral:	Date:		
GM 790	TIA	4-11-13		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its decision				
The Recommendation is:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Advise and Consent 2340 <span style="margin-left: 150px;"><input type="checkbox"/> Not Advise and Consent 2345</span>				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
ENGLISH, J. Kalani (C)	✓			
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M. (VC)				✓
ESPERO, Will	✓			
GABBARD, Mike	✓			
KAHELE, Gilbert	✓			
KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C.				✓
KOUCHI, Ronald D.				✓
SOLOMON, Malama	✓			
SLOM, Sam				✓
<b>TOTAL</b>	5	-	-	4
Recommendation:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <span style="margin-left: 150px;"><input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted</span>				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
				
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