

GM 594

Measure Title: Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the State Rehabilitation Council, Gubernatorial Nominee, ANN LEMKE, for a term to expire 6-30-2016.

Report Title: State Rehabilitation Council

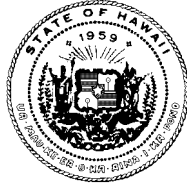
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February 12, 2013

MEMORANDUM:

TO: The Honorable Suzanne Chun-Oakland, Chair
Senate Committee on Human Services

FROM: Patricia McManaman, Director

SUBJECT: **GM 594 – GUBERNATORIAL NOMINATION OF ANN LEMKE TO
THE STATE REHABILITATION COUNCIL**

Hearing: Tuesday, February 12, 2013, 1:15 p.m.
Conference Room 016, State Capitol

The Department of Human Services (DHS) supports the nomination of Dr. Ann Lemke to the State Rehabilitation Council (SRC). The SRC was established in the 1992 Amendments to the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. The SRC acts in partnership with the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation on services that address employment needs of individuals with disabilities.

Dr. Ann Lemke is seeking an appointment for her second term on the SRC. Dr. Lemke is an individual with a life time of experience in the employment and independent living of individuals with disabilities, both professionally and personally. Dr. Lemke has been actively involved in the development and running of programs for the independent lives of people with disabilities since 1980. She currently is a professor at the Windward Community College and is the disability specialist and

admissions coordinator. She is also the President of the "Anuenue" Chapter of the Hawaii National Federation of the Blind. Dr. Lemke's vast knowledge, education, and work with individuals in a variety of disabilities will be an asset to the State Rehabilitation Council.

Dr. Lemke is an active advocate as an individual with a disability and will provide representation to the SRC as the liaison from the State Independent Living Council (SILC) and Oahu County.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony to the Committee.