

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

2836

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 04 2014

RE: GOV. MSG. NO. 521

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2014  
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Agriculture, to which was referred Governor's Message No. 521, submitting for study and consideration the nomination of:

MOLOKAI IRRIGATION SYSTEM WATER USERS ADVISORY BOARD

G.M. No. 521      ROGERENE ARCE,  
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 Rogerene Arce to possess the requisite commitment, sincerity, dedication, and qualifications to be nominated to the Molokai Irrigation System Water Users Advisory Board.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this nominee from the Department of Agriculture; Maui County Council; Hawaii Farm Bureau Federation; Molokai Farm Bureau; College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources, Cooperative Extension Service at the University of Hawaii at Manoa; Monsanto; Maui County Farm Bureau; and three individuals.

Ms. Arce is a long-time resident of Molokai and holds an agricultural homestead lease from the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands where she raises livestock. She is currently a Manufacturing Technician for Monsanto and an interim member of the Molokai Irrigation System Water Users Advisory Board, representing non-homestead farmer users. Ms. Arce has a wealth of experience in the agricultural industry on Molokai. Among other jobs, she



worked for several years as a Papaya Inspector and later as a Junior Extension Agent for the Hawaiian Home Lands Education Program with the University of Hawaii at Manoa, where she worked closely with subsistent growers, commercial farmers, and 4-H youth for seventeen years. She possesses a Bachelor of Science in Agriculture and has extensive knowledge and experience in farm planning, crop development, native plants, hydroponics, agroforestry, subsistence gardening, and poultry production. As a farmer, teacher, and community advocate, Ms. Arce is intimately familiar with the Molokai Irrigation System and will be an asset to the Molokai Irrigation System Water Users Advisory Board.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Agriculture 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 Agriculture,



CLARENCE K. NISHIHARA, Chair



The Senate  
 Twenty-Seventh Legislature  
 State of Hawai'i

**Record of Votes**  
**Committee on Agriculture**  
**AGL**  
**Advise and Consent**

Governor's Message No.:* <b>GM 521</b>	Committee Referral: <b>AGL</b>	Date: <b>2/27/14</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its decision				
The Recommendation is:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Advise and Consent 2340 <span style="margin-left: 200px;"><input type="checkbox"/> Not Advise and Consent 2345</span>				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
NISHIHARA, Clarence K. (C)	✓			
KOUCHI, Ronald D. (VC)	✓			
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M.	✓			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani	✓			
THIELEN, Laura H.	✓			
WAKAI, Glenn				✓
SLOM, Sam	✓			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6</b>			<b>1</b>
Recommendation:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <span style="margin-left: 200px;"><input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted</span>				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
<i>W. M. W.</i>				
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