

GM563

Measure Title: Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Health Planning Council, Hawai'i County Subarea, Gubernatorial Nominee, SHEILA NICHOLAS-SMITH, for a term to expire 06-30-2019.

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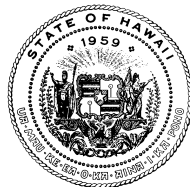
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Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health

GM 563, Gubernatorial Nominee to the Hawaii County Subarea Health Planning Council

Testimony of Romala Sue Radcliffe SHPDA Administrator

Tuesday, March 1, 2016
9:30 a.m.

1 **Department's Position:** The Department of Health supports the nomination and confirmation
2 of Mrs. Sheila Nicholas-Smith to the Hawaii County Subarea Health Planning Council
3 (HCSAC).

4 **Fiscal Implications:** None

5 **Purpose and Justification:** The purpose is for the consideration and confirmation of the
6 HCSAC Gubernatorial Nominee, Mrs. Sheila Nicholas-Smith.

7 Mrs. Nicholas-Smith is Liberty Dialysis' Big Island Director of Operations and Director of
8 Home Programs throughout Hawaii. Mrs. Nicholas-Smith works on all the outer islands
9 promoting, encouraging, and supporting people to be able to go home to do their dialysis. She
10 has been a resident of Hawaii for six years. She is a Nationally Certified Massage Therapist
11 and works in the community to promote health and prevention of disease. Prior to being in
12 Hawaii, she was in similar roles on the mainland but also has many years of experience
13 working in Critical Care Units as a registered nurse. Mrs. Nicholas-Smith has been an active
14 member of the HCSAC.

1 We ask for your support on the confirmation of Mrs. Sheila Nicholas-Smith, enabling her
2 to continue to serve on the Hawaii County Subarea Health Planning Council.

GM563 – Sheila Nicholas-Smith

- (1) Why do you want to be a member of the Board?

To support and assist Big Island toward improved services

- (2) What do you perceive are the roles and responsibilities of a member of the Board?

Be open to learning about activities and needs of the Big Island. Be available for hearings and listening to the needs of the community

- (3) In what ways do you feel that you can help protect the consumer?

I have a varied back ground that can assess and evaluate the needs of the community

- (4) Given your understanding of the roles and responsibilities of a Board member, why do you believe that you are qualified for the position? Please include a brief statement of your skills, expertise and knowledge that would aid you as a member of the Board.

I have over 30 years in healthcare administration and direct patient care. I have I have been a business owner. I have been in Hawaii 7 years

- (5) What do you hope to accomplish during your term of service?

I would like to see improved transport services for the Big Island elderly and medically handicapped

- (6) Name three qualities that best describe you and how these qualities will benefit the Board.

Open minded. Good communicator and listener

- (7) Name a previous experience you've had that will be beneficial as a Board member.

Administrator in healthcare

- (8) Can you foresee any possible conflicts of interest that could arise during your service on the Board? How would you overcome conflicts of interest?

I will always be honest and forthright keeping the community in my

utmost interest. This is my home and improved services for Big Island is my desire