

GM 840

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**STATE OF HAWAII  
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**Testimony of  
SUZANNE D. CASE  
Chairperson**

**Before the Senate Committee on  
HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS**

**Monday, April 18, 2016  
1:15 PM  
State Capitol, Conference Room 016**

**In consideration of  
GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE 840  
SUBMITTING FOR THE CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO THE ISLAND  
BURIAL COUNCIL, ISLANDS OF MAUI AND LANAI, GUBERNATORIAL  
NOMINEE, KALANI HO-NIKAIDO FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 6-30-2019**

**The Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) supports Governor's Message 840, nominating Ms. Kalani Ho-Nikaido to the Island Burial Council, Islands of Maui and Lanai expiring June 30, 2019.**

The Island Burial Councils are established under Section 6E-43.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes. With regard to previously known burials, the Burial Councils determine whether to leave the burial in place or remove it, recognize lineal and cultural descendants and provide counsel and advice to the Department. Large landowner representatives must be currently employed or associated with a developer who conducts large scale land development activities or large property owners who owns or leases at least 100 acres of land on the respective islands, and represents the interest of the developer or large property owners or both.

Ms. Ho-Nikaido holds a degree in Business Administration from the University of Denver. She has great experience managing Maui Land and Pineapple Company's lands as well as its development projects. In addition, she has been on the Maui Lanai Islands Burial Council for the last few years and has exhibited a full understating of the relevant statutes and administrative rules, thus keeping to her goal of providing and maintaining firm but fair decisions.

Senate confirmation will ensure that Ms. Ho-Nikaido's valuable knowledge and experience continues to inform the deliberations of the Maui Lanai Islands Burial Council until June 30, 2019.

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