

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1609

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: GOV. MSG. NOS. 552,
553, 554

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2017
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary and Labor, to which was referred Governor's Message Nos. 552, 553, and 554, submitting for study and consideration the nominations of:

BOARD OF REGISTRATION OF THE ISLANDS OF MAUI, MOLOKA'I, LANA'I,
AND KAHO'OLAWÉ

G.M. No. 552	BARBARA BAISA, for a term to expire 06-30-2017;
G.M. No. 553	BARBARA BAISA, for a term to expire 06-30-2021; and
G.M. No. 554	LEO CAIRES, for a term to expire 06-30-2020,

begs leave to report as follows:

Your Committee has reviewed the personal histories, resumes, and statements submitted by the nominees and finds Barbara Baisa and Leo Caires to possess the requisite qualifications to be nominated to the Board of Registration of the Islands of Maui, Moloka'i, Lana'i, and Kaho'olawe.

BARBARA BAISA

Your Committee received testimony in support of the nomination for the appointment and reappointment of Barbara Baisa from the Office of Elections.



Ms. Baisa is a retired homemaker residing in the County of Maui. She was appointed on November 4, 2016, on an interim basis and served as a Board of Registration member during the 2016 General Election. Her recent tenure with the Board and willingness to continue to serve make Ms. Baisa an excellent nominee for appointment and reappointment to the Board of Registration.

LEO CAIRES

Your Committee received testimony in support of the nomination for the appointment of Leo Caires from the Office of Elections.

Mr. Caires is the Co-founder of Gen-X Energy Development LLC, which is a solar and wind developer. He previously served as Director of Business Development for Entegri Wind Systems, Inc., in Boulder, Colorado.

Mr. Caires has extensive community service involvement, including being appointed by the Mayor of the County of Maui to serve as the Vice-Chairperson of the Maui County Cost of Government Commission in 2008-2009; and serving as a member of the Maui Native Hawaiian Chamber of Commerce, volunteer for the Maui 4-H Livestock Association, and First Nations Future Fellow in 2015.

Mr. Caires was appointed on August 11, 2016, on an interim basis and served as a Board of Registration member during the 2016 Primary and General Elections. His corporate management background, community service experience, recent tenure with the Board, and willingness to continue to serve make Mr. Caires an excellent nominee for appointment to the Board of Registration.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary and Labor that are attached to this report, your Committee, after full consideration of the background, experience, and qualifications of the nominees, has found the nominees to be qualified for the positions to which nominated and recommends that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations.



Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Judiciary and
Labor,


GILBERT S.C. KEITH-AGARAN, Chair



