STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1528

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 2 5 2019

RE: GOV. MSG. NO. 602

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi President of the Senate Thirtieth State Legislature Regular Session of 2019 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred Governor's Message No. 602, submitting for study and consideration the nomination of:

DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF TAXATION

G.M. No. 602 Linda Chu Takayama, for a term to expire 12-05-2022,

begs leave to report as follows:

Your Committee reviewed the personal statement and resume submitted by Linda Chu Takayama for service as Director of Taxation.

Your Committee received testimony in support of the nomination of Linda Chu Takayama from the Office of the Governor; Department of Defense; Department of Human Resources and Development; Department of Health; Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism; Department of Labor and Industrial Relations, Workforce Development Division; Department of Accounting and General Services; Department of Transportation; Department of Human Services; Department of Agriculture; Department of Public Safety; Department of Hawaiian Home Lands; Department of Labor and Industrial Relations; Office of Enterprise Technology Services; Hawaii Pacific Health; Oahu County Democrats; Hawaii Carpenters Apprenticeship and Training Fund; Hawaii Medical Service Association; and numerous individuals.

Upon review of the testimony and the nominee's qualifications, your Committee finds that in addition to the nominee's leadership as Director of Taxation and, prior to that, Director of Labor and Industrial Relations, the nominee's knowledge of business, accounting, and taxation qualify her to continue to serve as Director of Taxation. Your Committee notes that Ms. Takayama's professional experience also includes assignments as lead for economic development at the City and County of Honolulu, Deputy Director of Commerce and Consumer Affairs, Insurance Commissioner for the State of Hawaii, and Chief of Staff for the United States Senate Sergeant-at-Arms.

Your Committee finds that Linda Chu Takayama's extensive executive experience will benefit the Department of Taxation as it enters the final phase of the Tax System Modernization project, a multi-year effort that is projected to be completed on schedule.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Ways and Means 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 Ways and Means,

DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ,

The Senate Thirtieth Legislature State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes Committee on Ways and Means WAM Advise and Consent

Governor's Message No.:*	Committee F		Date:			
GM602	WAM	3/18/19				
The Committee is reconsidering its decision						
The Recommendation is:						
Advise and Consent						
Members		Aye	Aye (WR) Nay		Nay	Excused
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M. (C)		X				
KEITH-AGARAN, Gilbert S.C. (VC)		X				
ENGLISH, J. Kalani		X				
HARIMOTO, Breene						×
INOUYE, Lorraine R.		×				
KAHELE, Kaialiʻi						Х
KANUHA, Dru Mamo		X				
KIDANI, Michelle N.		X				
MORIWAKI, Sharon Y.		X				***
RIVIERE, Gil		×	-			# G
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L.						X
TANIGUCHI, Brian T.						X
FEVELLA, Kurt		X				
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TOTAL		9				4
Recommendation: Adopted Not Adopted						
Chair's or Designee's Signature:						
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