

GM661

Measure Title:	Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the State Council on Developmental Disabilities, Gubernatorial Nominee, DREW SARANILLIO, for a term to expire 06-30-2022.
Report Title:	State Council on Developmental Disabilities
Current Referral:	CPH



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April 12, 2019

The Honorable Senator Rosalyn Baker, Chair
Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection and Health
Thirtieth Legislature
State Capitol
State of Hawai'i
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Dear Senator Baker and Members of the Committee:

SUBJECT: GM 661 - State Council on Developmental Disabilities
Gubernatorial Nominee Drew Saranillo

The State Council on Developmental Disabilities (DD) **SUPPORTS**
GM 661 to confirm the nomination of Drew Saranillo for a term to expire June 30, 2022.

The Council's Federal mandate (P.L.106-402) is clear in determining the composition of this body to ensure that all the players involved in the development, implementation, and use of DD supports are represented. The law specifically requires; each Council shall include representatives of relevant State entities, including State entities that administer funds provided under Federal laws related to individuals with disabilities, including the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (20 U.S.C. 1400 et seq.). The Governor's nominee meets all the Federal requirements for Council membership.

Mr. Saranillo's appointment to the Council would fulfill the Federal requirement for a representative of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act. He is currently an Educational Specialist in the Monitoring and Compliance Branch with the Department of Education (DOE). We look forward to Mr. Saranillo's contributions to increase coordination and collaboration between the Council and DOE. His participation on the Council's Transition and Employment Committee would assist the Council to address its State Plan and carry out activities relating to increased access to information on supports needed to prepare students for the transition from high school to adult life.

We appreciate the opportunity to express our **support for GM 661** to confirm the appointment of Drew Saranillo to the State Council on Developmental Disabilities.

Sincerely,

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Executive Administrator



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OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENT

April 5, 2019

The Honorable Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair
The Honorable Stanley Chang, Vice Chair
Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health
30th Legislature, 2019
State Capitol
State of Hawaii
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Re: Letter of Recommendation on Behalf of Mr. Drew Saranillio for his
Nomination to the Hawaii State Council on Developmental Disabilities

I am honored to write this letter of recommendation on behalf of Mr. Drew Saranillio in support of his nomination to the Hawaii State Council on Developmental Disabilities.

Mr. Saranillio's professional career includes being a teacher and state office educational specialist with the Hawaii Department of Education. In his current position as an Educational Specialist with the Monitoring and Compliance Branch, he is deeply committed to working for equal access under the law and providing information and education to internal staff and the public about developmental disabilities.

Mr. Saranillio would be a valuable member of the Hawaii State Council on Developmental Disabilities and I support his nomination without reservation.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Cara C. Tanimura".

Cara C. Tanimura
Acting Director
Hawaii State Department of Education
Monitoring and Compliance Branch

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Submitted on: 4/8/2019 6:56:22 PM

Testimony for CPH on 4/12/2019 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Dylan P. Armstrong	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Honorable Chair Baker, Vice Chair Chang, and Members of the CPH Committee,

We Oahu Democrats are in proud support of GM661, nominating Mr. Drew Saranillio, for the State Council on Developmental Disabilities. Mr. Saranillio is a capable education administrator and former teacher, having a long and honorable career working in our public schools system. He is well-qualified educationally with a B.Ed from UH Manoa, and a M.Ed in Educational Technology from the same institution.

We have every hope that he will serve our family and neighbors with Developmental Disabilities on Oahu. Please vote in support of HM661. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Dylan P. Armstrong, Vice Chair

Oahu County Committee of the Oahu County Democrats

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It is my honor to write this letter of recommendation for Mr. Drew Saranillio in support of his nomination to the Hawaii State Council on Developmental Disabilities.

Mr. Saranillio's professional career illustrates that he is a fierce advocate for individuals with developmental disabilities. His career includes being a classroom teacher, state office teacher, and state Educational Specialist with the Hawai'i Department of Education's Exceptional Support Branch. He is currently an Educational Specialist with the Hawai'i Department of Education's Monitoring and Compliance Branch where he demonstrates a deep commitment and supportive spirit for adherence to law, advocacy, capacity-building, and systemic change in the name of equity. He is a natural collaborator and will be an asset for interagency collaboration; as well as with engaging schools, families, and the community.

I whole-heartedly support Mr. Saranillio's nomination for the Hawaii State Council on Developmental Disabilities.

Respectfully,



Helen Kaniho
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District Education Specialist-Special Education
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