

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

**3583**

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAY 19 2020

RE: GOV. MSG. NOS. 609,  
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Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi  
President of the Senate  
Thirtieth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2020  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Transportation, to which was referred Governor's Message Nos. 609 and 610, submitting for study and consideration the nominations of:

MEDICAL ADVISORY BOARD

G.M. No. 609 CHRISTOPHER TORTORA,  
for a term to expire 06-30-2021; and

G.M. No. 610 JUDITH DICKERT,  
for a term to expire 06-30-2023,

begs leave to report as follows:

Your Committee reviewed the personal histories, resumes, and statements submitted by Christopher Tortora and Judith Dickert for service on the Medical Advisory Board.

CHRISTOPHER TORTORA

Your Committee received testimony in support of the nomination for the appointment of Christopher Tortora from the Department of Transportation.

Upon review of the testimony, your Committee finds that Dr. Tortora's background and dedication to serving the public qualify him to be appointed to the Medical Advisory Board. Your Committee notes that Dr. Tortora has been the medical director for Hawaiian Eye Center since 2003. Additionally, Dr. Tortora is an assistant clinical professor at University of Hawaii at Manoa,

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John A. Burns School of Medicine. Previously, Dr. Tortora was a general ophthalmologist at Hawaiian Eye Center. Your Committee finds that Dr. Tortora has a thorough understanding of the role and responsibilities of members of the Medical Advisory Board and his extensive experience in medicine will enhance the effectiveness of the Medical Advisory Board. Your Committee therefore recommends that Dr. Tortora be appointed to the Medical Advisory Board based on his knowledge, background, and dedication to public service.

JUDITH DICKERT

Your Committee received testimony in support of the nomination for the reappointment of Judith Dickert from the Department of Transportation and University of Hawaii System.

Upon review of the testimony, your Committee finds that Dr. Dickert's background and dedication to serving the public qualify her for reappointment to the Medical Advisory Board. Your Committee notes that Dr. Dickert has twenty-eight years of experience in medicine, specializing in endocrinology and internal medicine, and has been licensed as a physician in Hawaii since 1995. She has worked as the chief of clinical operations for Hawaii Military Health Systems for two years, and before that served as the deputy commander medical services for Tripler Army Medical Center. Your Committee further finds that Dr. Dickert has served on the Medical Advisory Board since 2015. Dr. Dickert's experience and knowledge will continue to benefit the Medical Advisory Board. Your Committee therefore recommends that Dr. Dickert be reappointed to the Medical Advisory Board based on her experience, knowledge, and commitment to public service.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committee on Transportation 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 Transportation,

  
LORRAINE R. INOUYE, Chair





The Senate  
Thirtieth Legislature  
State of Hawai'i

**Record of Votes**  
**Committee on Transportation**  
**TRS**  
**Advise and Consent**

Governor's Message No.:* <b>GM610</b>	Committee Referral: <b>TRS</b>	Date: <b>5/15/2020</b>		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its decision				
The Recommendation is:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Advise and Consent 2340 <span style="margin-left: 200px;"><input type="checkbox"/> Not Advise and Consent 2345</span>				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
INOUYE, Lorraine R. (C)	✓			
HARIMOTO, Breene (VC)			1	✓
ENGLISH, J. Kalani	✓			
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L.	✓			
FEVELLA, Kurt				✓
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3</b>			<b>2</b>
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <span style="margin-left: 150px;"><input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted</span>				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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