

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1835

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 23 2021

RE: GOV. MSG. NO. 640

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi  
President of the Senate  
Thirty-First State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2021  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred Governor's Message No. 640, submitting for study and consideration the nomination of:

HEALTH PLANNING COUNCIL, TRI-ISLE SUBAREA

G.M. No. 640 CAROL PETITH-ZBICIAK,  
for a term to expire 06-30-2024,

begs leave to report as follows:

Your Committee reviewed the personal history, resume, and statement submitted by Carol Petith-Zbiciak for service on the Health Planning Council, Tri-Isle Subarea.

Your Committee received testimony in support of the nomination for the appointment of Carol Petith-Zbiciak from the State Health Planning and Development Agency.

Upon review of the testimony, your Committee finds that Dr. Petith-Zbiciak's background, experience, and dedication to public service qualify her for reappointment to the Health Planning Council, Tri-Isle Subarea. She is currently a retired nursing faculty member at the University of Hawaii Maui College and a family nurse practitioner with clinical experience in women's and pediatric health care at the Maui Community College Health Center. As a nurse, she has developed a patient care philosophy that focuses on universal access to evidence-based health care, provided in the motivational interviewing style, with an emphasis on health promotion, including the poor and the underserved. Dr. Petith-Zbiciak obtained her Masters in Nursing

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and Doctorate in Nursing Practice from the University of Hawaii at Manoa, where her academic studies focused on better meeting the health care services needed of homeless persons on Maui, increasing access to primary care services, reducing unnecessary emergency department visits, decreasing acute care hospital lengths of stay, and reducing costs. Dr. Petith-Zbiciak holds an advanced practice registered nurse Rx 405 certification and is a member of various professional organizations, such as the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners, American Nurses Association, Emergency Nurses Association, and Infusion Nurses Society. Therefore, your Committee recommends that based upon her experience, knowledge, and desire to contribute to the community, that Dr. Petith-Zbiciak be appointed to the Health Planning Council, Tri-Isle Subarea.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Health 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 Health,

  
JARRETT KEOHOKALO, Chair



