

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 20 2021

RE: GOV. MSG. NO. 729

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, to which was referred Governor's Message No. 729, submitting for study and consideration the nomination of:

BOARD OF DENTISTRY

G.M. No. 729      KATHERINE FUKUSHIMA,  
for a term to expire 06-30-2025,

begs leave to report as follows:

Your Committee reviewed the personal history, resume, and statement submitted by Katherine Fukushima for service on the Board of Dentistry.

Your Committee received testimony in support of the nomination for the appointment of Katherine Fukushima from the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs, Hawaii Dental Service, and two individuals.

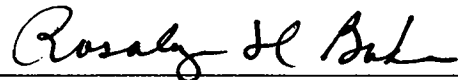
Upon review of the testimony, your Committee finds that Ms. Fukushima's background and dedication to serving the public qualify her to be appointed to the Board of Dentistry as a licensed dental hygienist member. Your Committee notes that Ms. Fukushima has over thirty-two years of experience in different areas of the dental industry. Ms. Fukushima has been licensed as a registered dental hygienist in Hawaii since 1992 and is currently working as a registered dental hygienist at Kahala Smiles Professionals, LLC. Your Committee further notes that Ms. Fukushima has served in a number of roles in support of her professional community, including as a member of the Hawaii Dental



Hygienists' Association, an examiner for state board examinations, and a liaison for the dental hygiene student externship program for the University of Hawaii at Manoa. Your Committee finds that Ms. Fukushima has a thorough understanding of the role and responsibilities of board members and her extensive experience in the dental field will continue to enhance the effectiveness of the Board of Dentistry. Your Committee therefore recommends that Ms. Fukushima be appointed to the Board of Dentistry based on her knowledge, background, and dedication to public.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection 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 Commerce and  
Consumer Protection,



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ROSALYN H. BAKER, Chair



