STAND. COM. REP. NO. 1858

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 1 8 2007

RE: GOV. MSG. NO. 570

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa President of the Senate Twenty-Fourth State Legislature Regular Session of 2007 State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Affordable Housing, to which was referred Governor's Message No. 570, submitting for study and consideration the nomination of:

BOARD OF ACUPUNCTURE

G.M. No. 570 MICHAEL HOWDEN, for a term to expire 6-30-2011,

begs leave to report as follows:

Upon review of the personal history provided by the nominee, Michael Howden, your Committee finds that Mr. Howden is a graduate of John Hopkins University with a Master of Arts. Mr. Howden received his Bachelor of Arts degree from Middlebury College. He has completed a four-year acupuncture tutorial with Dr. Lam Kong, O.M.D., and has also completed classes on Hawaiian healing. Mr. Howden has been an acupuncturist since 1987 and also works as a site inspector for the Accreditation Commission for Acupuncture. He has passed examinations for licensure in Oregon, California, and Hawaii. Mr. Howden currently maintains an office at the Kula Clinic on Maui.

Testimony in support of Mr. Howden was submitted by the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs.

Your Committee notes that, while Mr. Howden has previously served on the Board of Acupuncture from 1995 to 2000, his current nomination complies with the term limitations of section 26-34, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

Your Committee finds that Mr. Howden's many years of experience will make him a great asset to the Board of Acupuncture.

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

BRIAN T. TANIGUCHI, Chair

The Senate Twenty-Fourth Legislature State of Hawaii

Record of Votes of the Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Affordable Housing CPH

(Advise and Consent)

Governor's Message No.:* GM 570	Committee Referral: CPH		Dat	Date: 4/13/07	
The Committee is reconsidering its decision.					
The Recommendation is to: Advise and Consent					
Members		Aye	Aye (WR) Nay	Excused
TANIGUCHI, BRIAN (C)					
IGE, DAVID Y. (VC)					
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IHARA, JR., LES SAKAMOTO, NORMAN					
SLOM, SAM					
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TOTAL		4			2
Recommendation: Adopted Not Adopted					
Chair's or Designee's Signature:					
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