

## Honolulu, Hawaii APR 17 2009

RE: GOV. MSG. NO. 532

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa President of the Senate Twenty-Fifth State Legislature Regular Session of 2009 State of Hawaii

## Madam:

Your Committee on Water, Land, Agriculture, and Hawaiian Affairs, to which was referred Governor's Message No. 532, submitting for study and consideration the nomination of:

## MOLOKAI IRRIGATION SYSTEM WATER USERS ADVISORY BOARD

G.M. No. 532 LYNN P. DECOITE, for a term to expire 6-30-2012,

begs leave to report as follows:

Your Committee has reviewed the personal history, resume, and statement submitted by the nominee, and finds Lynn P. DeCoite to have the necessary qualifications to be nominated to the Molokai Irrigation System Water Users Advisory Board.

Testimony in support of the nomination of Lynn P. DeCoite was submitted by one state agency, two organizations, and six individuals. Written testimony presented to the Committee may be reviewed on the Legislature's website.

Mrs. DeCoite is the Owner/Manager of L & R Farm Ent. LLC, a sweet potato farm on Molokai. She has worked previously as a Ranch Handler for V-8 Ranch and Supervisor of George Mokuau Farms.

As an active farmer and user of the Molokai Irrigation System, Mrs. DeCoite is familiar with the needs and concerns of both users and the system. She is a volunteer Director of the Hikiola Cooperative and President of the Molokai Homestead Farmers Alliance. Mrs. DeCoite has also served the Molokai community in other capacities, including Chairperson of the Molokai Chamber

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Youth Entrepreneur Golf Tournament and Chair of the Molokai Christmas Light Parade. Mrs. DeCoite's dedication to the Molokai community, experience as a farmer and user of the Molokai Irrigation System, and involvement with the farming community make her an excellent candidate for the Molokai Irrigation System Water Users Advisory Board.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Water, Land, Agriculture, and Hawaiian Affairs 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 Water, Land, Agriculture, and Hawaiian

Affairs,

CLAYTON HEE, Chair

The Senate Twenty-Fifth Legislature State of Hawaii

## Record of Votes Committee on Water, Land, Agriculture and Hawaiian Affairs WTL Advise and Consent

Governor's Message No.:* Committee Referral:				
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The Committee is reconsidering its decision				
The Pecommendation is:				
Advise and Consent Not Advise and Consent 2340				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
HEE, Clayton (C)				
TOKUDA, Jill N. (VC)				
BUNDA, Robert				
FUKUNAGA, Carol				
KOKUBUN, Russell S.		N		WHENE AND DO AND DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY O
TAKAMINE, Dwight Y.				
HEMMINGS, Fred				
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Recommendation:  Adopted Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
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