STAND. COM. REP. NO. 2521

Honolulu, Hawaii FEB 2 7 2014

RE: GOV. MSG. NO. 560

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim President of the Senate Twenty-Seventh State Legislature Regular Session of 2014 State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred Governor's Message No. 560, submitting for study and consideration the nomination of:

BOARD OF CERTIFICATION OF PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM OPERATORS

G.M. No. 560 ERIC OKAZAKI, for a term to expire 6-30-2017.

begs leave to report as follows:

Your Committee has reviewed the personal history and resume submitted by the nominee and finds Eric Okazaki to possess the requisite qualifications to be nominated to the Board of Certification of Public Water System Operators.

Your Committee received testimony in support of the nomination of Mr. Okazaki from the Department of Health.

Mr. Okazaki received a Bachelor of Science degree in Agriculture Science from the University of Hawaii at Manoa. He also attended Electronics School at Sheppard Air Force Base.

Mr. Okazaki currently serves as Vice President of Operations at the Pural Water Specialty Company, Inc., where he has over fifteen years of experience in the management of operations of private water systems. Prior to his current position, Mr. Okazaki served as the Water System Manager for ten years at the Department of Water Supply, County of Maui, where he was responsible for managing all potable water from wells and surface water sources.

In addition to his thirty-two years of experience in the water industry, Mr. Okazaki is certified as a Distribution System Operator and Water Treatment Plant Operator, both at the highest grade level. Mr. Okazaki is dedicated to his profession and the certification of drinking water system operators. Your Committee finds that Mr. Okazaki would be a significant asset to the Board of Certification of Public Water System Operators based on his knowledge, professional experience, and commitment to public service.

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,

JOSH GREEN, Chair

The Senate Twenty-Seventh Legislature State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes Committee on Health HTH Advise and Consent

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| The Committee is reconsidering its decision | | | | | |
| The Recommendation is: | | | | | |
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| Members | | Aye | Aye (WR) | Nay | Excused |
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| BAKER, Rosalyn H. (VC) | | | | | |
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| Recommendation: Adopted Not Adopted | | | | | |
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