STAND. COM. REP. NO. 3602

Honolulu, Hawaii APR 1 2 2016 RE: GOV. MSG. NO. 651

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi President of the Senate Twenty-Eighth State Legislature Regular Session of 2016 State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Tourism and International Affairs, to which was referred Governor's Message No. 651, submitting for study and consideration the nomination of:

HAWAI'I SISTER STATE COMMITTEE

G.M. No, 651	EDUARDO TOPENIO,	JR.,
	for a term to exp	ire 06-30-2019,

begs leave to report as follows:

Your Committee has reviewed the personal history, resume, and statement submitted by the nominee and finds Eduardo Topenio, Jr., to possess the requisite qualifications to be nominated to the Hawai'i Sister State Committee.

Your Committee received testimony in support of the nomination from the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism; and Hawai'i Friends of Civil Rights.

Eduardo Topenio, Jr., is currently the Administrative Assistant to the County Clerk, County of Kauai, a position he has held since January 2012. He served as Deputy County Clerk beginning May 2010. Prior thereto, he was the Banquet Manager at Princeville Hotel for 10 years. Mr. Topenio is an active volunteer for community organizations on Kauai, including the Kauai Filipino Chamber of Commerce, where he previously served as President; Kapaa Rotary; and Kauai Hospice.

Mr. Topenio has a background in tourism through his work at Princeville Hotel and from his service with the Kauai Filipino



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Chamber of Commerce. Your Committee finds that this background will serve him well as a member of the Hawai'i Sister State Committee. In particular, Mr. Topenio can strengthen the State's efforts to support sister-state relationships as a prominent member of the Filipino community who speaks and understands Ilocano.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Tourism and International 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 Tourism and International Affairs,

J. KALANI ENGLISH, Majority Leader



The Senate Twenty-Eighth Legislature State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes Committee on Tourism and International Affairs TSI Advise and Consent

Governor's Message No.:*	Committee	Committee Referral:		Date:			
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The Committee is reconsidering its decision							
The Recommendation is:							
Advise and Consent 2340							
Members		Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused	
ENGLISH, J. Kalani (VC)							
GALUTERIA, Brickwood							
GREEN, Josh							
KAHELE, Kaiali'i		V					
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TOKUDA, Jill N.							
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Chair's or Designee's Signa	ture:			-			
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