STAND. COM. REP. NO. 3604

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 1 4 2016

RE: GOV. MSG. NOS. 664, 665, 666, 667, 668

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

Sir:

Your Committee on Education, to which was referred Governor's Message Nos. 664, 665, 666, 667, and 668, submitting for study and consideration the nominations of:

HAWAI'I TEACHER STANDARDS BOARD

G.M.	No. 664	JUSTIN MEW, for a term to expire 06-30-2019;
G.M.	No. 665	FELICIA VILLALOBOS, for a term to expire 06-30-2019;
G.M.	No. 666	LISA DELONG, for a term to expire 06-30-2019;
G.M.	No. 667	LOUISE CAYETANO, for a term to expire 06-30-2019; and
G.M.	No. 668	STEVE NAKASATO, for a term to expire 06-30-2019,

begs leave to report as follows:

Your Committee has reviewed the personal histories, resumes, and statements submitted by the nominees and finds Justin Mew, Felicia Villalobos, Lisa DeLong, Louise Cayetano, and Steve Nakasato to possess the requisite qualifications to be nominated to the Hawai'i Teacher Standards Board.

JUSTIN MEW

Your Committee received testimony in support of the nomination for the reappointment of Justin Mew from the Hawai'i Teacher Standards Board and two individuals.

Upon review of the testimony, your Committee finds that Mr. Mew's extensive experience as an educator and administrator, commitment to serving the interests of Hawaii's students, and leadership abilities qualify him for reappointment to the Hawaii Teacher Standards Board. Your Committee notes that Mr. Mew has served on the Hawaii Teacher Standards Board since 2011 as a representative of Hawaii school principals, and the Board benefits from his expertise in the area of teacher licensing. Mr. Mew's career in education stretches over more than thirty years, during which he has served as a secondary school teacher, coach, vice principal, and principal. Your Committee further finds that Mr. Mew's experience and dedication to public service will continue to be great assets to the Hawaii Teacher Standards Board.

FELICIA VILLALOBOS

Your Committee received testimony in support of the nomination for the reappointment of Felicia Villalobos from the Hawai'i Teacher Standards Board and one individual.

Upon review of the testimony, your Committee finds that Ms. Villalobos's experience as an educator, dedication to public service, and proven leadership skills qualify her for reappointment to the Hawai'i Teacher Standards Board. Your Committee notes that Ms. Villalobos has served on the Hawai'i Teacher Standards Board since 2012, and is currently the Vice Chairperson of the Board and Chairperson of the Teacher Standards Committee. Ms. Villalobos has served as an elementary school teacher for more than ten years, and has been recognized at the local and national level for excellence in teaching. Your Committee further finds that Ms. Villalobos's experience and commitment to Hawaii's students will continue to be great assets to the Hawaii Teacher Standards Board.

LISA DELONG

Your Committee received testimony in support of the nomination for the reappointment of Dr. Lisa DeLong from the Hawai'i Teacher Standards Board and two individuals.

Upon review of the testimony, your Committee finds that Dr. DeLong's experience as an educator and administrator, leadership in the field of excellence in education, and dedication to Hawaii's students qualify her for reappointment to the Hawaii Teacher Standards Board. Your Committee notes that Dr. DeLong has served on the Hawaii Teacher Standards Board since 2013, and has represented the Board at the national level at Council of Chief State School Officers conferences to investigate and support state plans for equity in education. Dr. DeLong has over thirty years of professional experience in education, and has served as a teacher, program coordinator, vice principal, principal, and complex area superintendent. Your Committee further finds that Dr. DeLong's experience, expertise, and dedication to public service will continue to be great assets to the Hawaii Teacher Standards Board.

LOUISE CAYETANO

Your Committee received testimony in support of the nomination for the reappointment of Louise Cayetano from the Hawai'i Teacher Standards Board and two individuals.

Upon review of the testimony, your Committee finds that Ms. Cayetano's professional experience as an educator, dedication to the needs of Hawaii's students, and proven leadership abilities qualify her for reappointment to the Hawaii Teacher Standards Board. Your Committee notes that Ms. Cayetano has served on the Hawaii Teacher Standards Board as the Legislative Committee Chairperson as well as a member of the Hearing Panel for Professional Fitness Matters. Ms. Cayetano has served as an elementary teacher at Fern Elementary School for more than twenty years, and has demonstrated a commitment to excellence in education throughout her career. Your Committee further finds that Ms. Cayetano's classroom experience, expertise in crafting licensure policy, and dedication to public service will continue to be great assets to the Hawaii Teacher Standards Board.

STEVE NAKASATO

Your Committee received testimony in support of the nomination for the reappointment of Dr. Steve Nakasato from the Hawai'i Teacher Standards Board and two individuals.

Upon review of the testimony, your Committee finds that Dr. Nakasato's professional experience as an educator and administrator, constant commitment to public service, and leadership abilities qualify him for reappointment to the Hawai'i Teacher Standards Board. Your Committee notes that Dr. Nakasato has served on the Hawai'i Teacher Standards Board's Teacher Education and Budget, Personal, and Strategic Planning Committees. Dr. Nakasato has more than thirty years of experience as an educator and administrator, and has served as a teacher, vice principal, and principal. He has been recognized numerous times at both the state and national level with awards for excellence in education. Your Committee further finds that Dr. Nakasato's extensive experience, dedication to serving the needs of Hawaii's students, and leadership in the field of education will continue to be great assets to the Hawai'i Teacher Standards Board.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committee on Education that are attached to this report, your Committee, after full consideration of the background, experience, and qualifications of the nominees, has found the nominees to be qualified for the positions to which nominated and recommends that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations.

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Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committee on Education,

MICHELLE N. KIDANI, Chair

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