

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: GOV. MSG. NO. 632

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi  
President of the Senate  
Thirty-Third State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2025  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health and Human Services, to which was referred Governor's Message No. 632, submitting for study and consideration the nomination of:

HAWAI'I ADVISORY COMMISSION ON DRUG ABUSE AND CONTROLLED  
SUBSTANCES

G.M. No. 632      JON FUJII,  
for a term to expire 06-30-2028,

begs leave to report as follows:

Your Committee reviewed the personal history, resume, and statement submitted by Jon Fujii for service on the Hawai'i Advisory Commission on Drug Abuse and Controlled Substances.

Your Committee received testimony in support of the nomination for the appointment of Jon Fujii from the Department of Human Services, Alcohol and Drug Abuse Division of the Department of Health, and 'Ohana Health Plan.

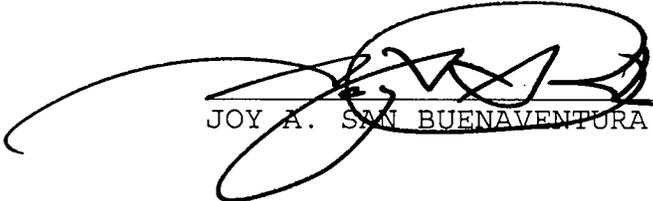
Upon review of the testimony, your Committee finds that Mr. Fujii's experience, background, and commitment to public service qualify him for appointment to the Hawai'i Advisory Commission on Drug Abuse and Controlled Substances in the role of a member of the State Council on Mental Health, who shall be knowledgeable about the community and the relationships between mental health, mental illness, and substance abuse. Your Committee notes that Mr. Fujii has over thirty years of experience in the State's health care industry. He has been working in the Med-QUEST Division of the Department of Human Services for



nineteen years, as an administrator of the Research Officer/Data Analysis and Provider Network Section from 2006 to 2015 and as the Health Care Services Branch Administrator since 2015, and therefore, has extensive knowledge of the various challenges faced by individuals in the State's Medicaid population suffering from mental illnesses. Your Committee also notes that Mr. Fujii's previous professional experience includes serving as a senior contract reimbursement manager at Hawaii Pacific Health and medical economics manager at Kapiolani Health Hawaii. Your Committee further notes that Mr. Fujii has been a member of the State Council on Mental Health since 2020 and his knowledge and background will be assets to the Advisory Commission. Your Committee therefore recommends that Jon Fujii be appointed to the Hawai'i Advisory Commission on Drug Abuse and Controlled Substances based on his knowledge, experience, and commitment to public service.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Health and Human Services 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 and Human  
Services,

  
JOY A. SAN BUENAVENTURA, Chair



