

STAND. COM. REP. NO. **3813**

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 16 2026

RE: GOV. MSG. NO. 578

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-Third State Legislature
Regular Session of 2026
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, to which was referred Governor's Message No. 578, submitting for study and consideration the nomination of:

BOARD OF BARBERING AND COSMETOLOGY

G.M. No. 578 MICHAEL BASTA JR.
for a term to expire 06-30-2029,

begs leave to report as follows:

Your Committee reviewed the personal history, resume, and statement submitted by Michael Basta, Jr. for service on the Board of Barbering and Cosmetology.

Your Committee received testimony in support of the nomination for the reappointment of Michael Basta, Jr. from the Board of Massage Therapy and one individual.

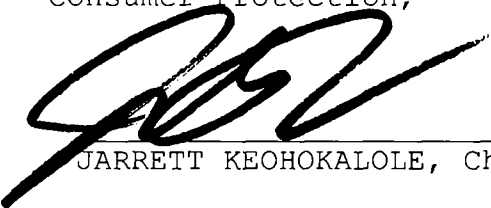
Upon review of the testimony, your Committee finds that Mr Basta, Jr.'s knowledge and proven experience on the Board of Barbering and Cosmetology qualify him for reappointment to the Board of Barbering and Cosmetology as a licensed beauty operator member. Your Committee notes that Mr. Basta, Jr. has forty-five years of experience as a cosmetologist, including thirty-three years as a salon owner in New Jersey and Pennsylvania, and he has been licensed as a beauty operator in Hawaii since 2017. In addition to his cosmetology practice and business expertise, Mr. Basta, Jr. is currently a member of the Cosmetology Program Advisory Committee at Honolulu Community College. Your Committee further notes that Mr. Basta, Jr. has served on the Board of



Barbering and Cosmetology since 2022. Your Committee finds that Mr. Basta, Jr.'s cosmetology experience and knowledge will continue to be assets to the Board of Barbering and Cosmetology. Your Committee therefore recommends that Michael Basta, Jr. be reappointed to the Board of Barbering and Cosmetology based on his industry experience, business and governance knowledge, and ongoing commitment to public service.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection 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 Commerce and
Consumer Protection,

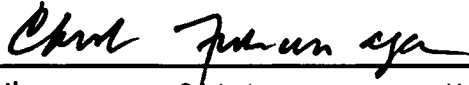


JARRETT KEOHOKALOLE, Chair



The Senate
 Thirty-Third Legislature
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Governor's Message No.:* GM578	Committee Referral: CPN	Date: 07/30/2026		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its decision.				
The Recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Advise and Consent 2340 <input type="checkbox"/> Not Advise and Consent 2345				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
KEOHOKALOLE, Jarrett (C)	✓			
FUKUNAGA, Carol (VC)	✓			
LAMOSAO, Rachele	✓			
MCKELVEY, Angus L.K.				✓
AWA, Brenton	✓			
TOTAL	9			1
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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