

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

**3863**

Honolulu, Hawaii

**APR 22 2026**

RE: GOV. MSG. NO. 721

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. 721, submitting for study and consideration the nomination of:

BOARD OF PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS, ARCHITECTS, SURVEYORS, AND  
LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS

G.M. No. 721 DAN HIROTA  
for a term to expire 06-30-2030,

begs leave to report as follows:

Your Committee reviewed the personal history, resume, and statement submitted by Dan Hirota for service on the Board of Professional Engineers, Architects, Surveyors, and Landscape Architects.

Your Committee received testimony in support of the nomination for the reappointment of Dan Hirota from the Board of Professional Engineers, Architects, Surveyors, and Landscape Architects and four individuals.

Upon review of the testimony, your Committee finds that Mr. Hirota's experience, knowledge, and proven leadership on the Board of Professional Engineers, Architects, Surveyors, and Landscape Architects qualify him for reappointment to the Board as a licensed land surveyor member. Your Committee notes that Mr. Hirota has thirty-five years of experience in land surveying and civil engineering and has been licensed as a land surveyor in Hawaii since 2002. Mr. Hirota is currently a Senior Discipline Engineer and Surveyor at Coffman Engineers, Inc. Mr. Hirota has

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been an active member of his profession, serving as past President, Vice President, Secretary, and member of the Hawaii Land Surveyors Association over the course of his nearly twenty years of service, and as a representative of the Hawaii Council of Engineering Societies. Your Committee further notes that Mr. Hirota has previously served multiple terms on the Board of Professional Engineers, Architects, Surveyors, and Landscape Architects from 2008 to 2016 and again from 2017 to 2025, has held the role of Chair, Vice Chair, and Secretary, and has represented the Board at regional and national conferences. Your Committee finds that Mr. Hirota's long-standing experience and knowledge will continue to be assets to the Board of Professional Engineers, Architects, Surveyors, and Landscape Architects. Your Committee therefore recommends that Dan Hirota be reappointed to the Board of Professional Engineers, Architects, Surveyors, and Landscape Architects based on his experience, knowledge, and dedication 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,



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BARRETT NEOHOKALOLE, Chair



