

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

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Honolulu, Hawaii

AUG 31 2017

RE: GOV. MSG. NO. 17

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
First Special Session of 2017
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Higher Education, to which was referred Governor's Message No. 17, submitting for study and consideration the nomination of:

HAWAI'I MEDICAL EDUCATION COUNCIL

G.M. No. 17 SHARON VITOUSEK,
for a term to expire 06-30-2021,

begs leave to report as follows:

Your Committee has reviewed the personal history, resume, and statement submitted by the nominee and finds Sharon Vitousek to possess the requisite qualifications to be nominated to the Hawai'i Medical Education Council.

Your Committee received testimony in support of the nomination for the reappointment of Sharon Vitousek from the University of Hawaii System.

Dr. Vitousek currently serves as the Director of Health Outcomes LLC, which is a small consulting business that is leading the strategic planning process for Hospice of Hilo. She previously served as the North Hawaii Outcomes Project Director for the Earl and Doris Bakken Foundation, the Medical Director of Hawaii Health Information Corporation, and as a physician in private practice. Dr. Vitousek has also served as an associate faculty member at the John A. Burns School of Medicine and as an Attending Physician at The Queen's Medical Center.

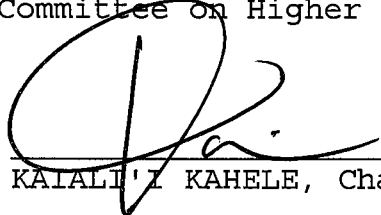


Dr. Vitousek has extensive community involvement. She currently serves on the Governor's Health Transformation Council, Hawaii Graduate Medical Education Council, Hawaii State Traffic Highway Safety Plan Core Committee, and Department of Health Cardiovascular Disease Data Committee. Furthermore, she is a founding board member of North Hawaii Women and Children's Services (now known as Hawaii Learning Resource) and the Daniel Hanley Center for Health Leadership.

Dr. Vitousek has been nominated for reappointment to the Hawaii Medical Education Council as the health professions community representative. Her extensive experience as a community leader on the Island of Hawaii in addressing access to medical care issues and the physician and health provider shortage, as well as her knowledge in graduate medical education in rural areas continue to make her a valuable asset to the Hawaii Medical Education Council.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Higher Education 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 Higher Education,



KAIALI'I KAHELE, Chair



