

RE: GOV. MSG. NO. 520

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-First State Legislature
Regular Session of 2021
State of Hawaii
Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred Governor's Message No. 520, submitting for study and consideration the nomination of:

BOARD OF REGISTRATION OF THE ISLANDS OF MAUI, MOLOKA'I, LANA'I, AND KAHO'OLAWÉ

G.M. No. 520

KECIA SAKUGAWA,

for a term to expire 06-30-2024,

begs leave to report as follows:

Your Committee reviewed the personal history, resume, and statement submitted by Kecia Sakugawa for service on the Board of Registration of the Islands of Maui, Moloka'i, Lāna'i, and Kaho'olawe.

Your Committee did not receive any testimony on the nomination for the reappointment of Kecia Sakugawa.

Your Committee finds that the Boards of Registration hear and decide appeals that arise from voter challenges or a county clerk's decision regarding voter registration, and they are vital to the transparency and integrity of the State's elections. Your Committee notes that Kecia Sakugawa has substantial experience as a social worker and case manager, in addition to experience and training in other areas of community involvement and public service, and is currently a member of the Board of Registration of the Islands of Maui, Moloka'i, Lāna'i, and Kaho'olawe. Your Committee further finds that her commitment to ensuring fairness in the process of registering and counting votes will continue to be an asset to the Board.

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

KARL RHOADS, Chair