STAND. COM. REP. NO. 649

Honolulu, Hawaii

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RE: GOV. MSG. NOS. 302, 303

Honorable Colleen Hanabusa
President of the Senate
Twenty-Fourth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2007
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Intergovernmental and Military Affairs, to which was referred Governor's Message Nos. 302 and 303, submitting for study and consideration the nominations of:

CIVIL RIGHTS COMMISSION

G.M. No. 302 CORAL WONG PIETSCH, for a term to expire 6-30-2011; and

G.M. No. 303 LISA ANN S. L. WONG, for a term to expire 6-30-2011,

begs leave to report as follows:

Your Committee reviewed the personal histories, resumes, and statements submitted by the nominees, and finds Coral Wong Pietsch and Lisa Ann S. L. Wong to have the necessary qualifications to be nominated to the Civil Rights Commission.

Your Committee received testimony in support of Coral Wong Pietsch from the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations, State of Hawaii; the Hawaii Civil Rights Commission; the Hawaii Employers Council; and two individuals. Ms. Pietsch currently serves as the Senior Civilian Counsel for Headquarters, United States Army Pacific Command where she is responsible for civil and administrative law matters. She is also a member of the United State Army Reserves and is the first female General Officer in the two hundred twenty-eight year history of the United States Army Judge Advocate General Corps. Ms. Pietsch has served on the

Hawaii Civil Rights Commission since 2003, and has been the Chair since 2004. Under her leadership, the Commission has focused its efforts on reduction of the length of time to investigate complaints, increased efficiency, and improvements in investigation, public education, and mediation. Her demonstrated commitment to the preservation of the civil rights of all individuals makes her a valuable asset to the Hawaii Civil Rights Commission.

Your Committee received testimony in support of Lisa Ann S. L. Wong from the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations, State of Hawaii; the Hawaii Civil Rights Commission; the Hawaii Employers Council; the Hawaii Convention Center; and three individuals. Ms. Wong has worked in the human resources field since 1976 and has a broad working knowledge of fair employment practices and laws from a business perspective, with experience in conducting internal investigations and preparing responses to complaints of discrimination. She has served as a Commissioner for the Hawaii Civil Rights Commission since 2003, making substantial contributions to discussions and deliberations. Ms. Wong brings a fresh, open-minded, and practical working knowledge to the Commission where she continues to serve as an essential component to the Hawaii Civil Rights Commission.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Intergovernmental and Military Affairs that is attached to this report, your Committee, after full consideration of the background, experience, and qualifications of the nominees, has found the nominees to be qualified for the positions to which nominated and recommends that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Intergovernmental
and Military Affairs,

LORRAINE R. INOUYE, Chair

The Senate
Twenty-Fourth Legislature
State of Hawaii

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☐ The Committee is reconsidering its decision.

The Recommendation is to:

☑ Advise and Consent (2340) ☐ Not Advise and Consent (2345)

Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
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TSUTSUI, SHAN S. (VC)				✓
HEMMINGS, FRED	✓			
TOTAL	2			1

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