

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1339

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 25 2011

RE: GOV. MSG. NO. 707

Honorable Shan S. Tsutsui  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Sixth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2011  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Health, to which was referred Governor's Message No. 707, submitting for study and consideration the nomination of:

HAWAI'I ADVISORY COMMISSION ON DRUG ABUSE AND CONTROLLED  
SUBSTANCES

G.M. No. 707      HEATHER LUSK,  
for a term to expire 6-30-2015,

begs leave to report as follows:

Your Committee has reviewed the personal history, resume, and statement submitted by the nominee and finds Heather Lusk to possess the requisite qualifications to be nominated to the Hawaii Advisory Commission on Drug Abuse and Controlled Substances.

Your Committee received testimony in support of the nomination of Heather Lusk from the Department of Health, The Drug Policy Forum of Hawai'i, Malama Pono Health Services, The Drug Policy Action Group, and six private citizens.

Upon review of the testimony, your Committee finds that Ms. Lusk's experience with drug prevention and substance abuse treatment services makes her well-qualified for appointment to the Hawai'i Advisory Commission on Drug Abuse and Controlled Substances.

Ms. Lusk has extensive experience within the public health field. Ms. Lusk currently serves as the Hepatitis C Coordinator within the Department of Health where she develops and implements

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Hawaii's viral hepatitis prevention programs and implements the hepatitis C strategic plan for the State. Prior to assuming her current position, Ms. Lusk served as a Trainer at the California STD/HIV Prevention Training Center where she facilitated and evaluated trainings and workshops for health and social service providers.

Ms. Lusk's commitment to promoting awareness of blood-borne diseases has been demonstrated through her work conducting training courses, building a collaborative environment for health and social service providers, and fostering the integration of drug treatment and health services statewide.

Ms. Lusk has a Bachelor of Arts degree in Psychology from Michigan State University and currently serves on the Board of Directors of Harm Reduction Hawaii, Hawaii Immunization Coalition, and The Drug Policy Forum of Hawaii.

Ms. Lusk has worked with youth, active drug users, persons in substance abuse recovery, and incarcerated individuals and has been an active participant working with communities affected by drugs.

Your Committee finds that Ms. Lusk will bring critical knowledge of substance abuse-related issues to the Hawai'i Advisory Commission on Drug Abuse and Controlled Substances.

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



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JOSH GREEN, M.D., Chair



The Senate  
Twenty-Sixth Legislature  
State of Hawai'i

**Record of Votes**  
**Committee on Health**  
**HTH**  
**Advise and Consent**

Governor's Message No.:* <i>GM 707</i>	Committee Referral: <b>HTH</b>	Date: <i>4-13-11</i>		
<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
GREEN, M.D., Josh (C)	✓			
NISHIHARA, Clarence K. (VC)	✓			
BAKER, Rosalyn H.	✓			
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne				✓
SHIMABUKURO, Maile	✓			
WAKAI, Glenn				✓
SLOM, Sam				✓
<b>TOTAL</b>	<i>4</i>			<i>3</i>
Recommendation:				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature:				
<i>Clarence K. Nishihara</i>				
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