

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

3509

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 23 2014

RE: GOV. MSG. NO. 584

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2014  
State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committee on Economic Development, Government Operations and Housing, to which was referred Governor's Message No. 584, submitting for study and consideration the nomination of:

ADMINISTRATOR OF THE STATE PROCUREMENT OFFICE

G.M. No. 584 SARAH-JANE ALLEN,  
for a term to expire 10-15-2017,

begs leave to report as follows:

Your Committee has reviewed the personal history and statement submitted by the nominee and finds Sarah-Jane Allen to possess the requisite qualifications to be nominated as Administrator of the State Procurement Office.

Your Committee received testimony in support of Sarah-Jane Allen from the Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism; Department of Accounting and General Services; Department of Transportation; Department of Human Services; Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation; The Pacific Resource Partnership; Hawaii Construction Alliance; American Council of Engineering Companies of Hawaii; Laborers' International Union of North America Local 368; Building Industry Association of Hawaii; and forty-one individuals.

Ms. Allen is currently the Acting Administrator for the State Procurement Office, a position she has held since November 2013. During this time, she has demonstrated to be a strong leader with effective communication skills and an innovative and forward-thinking vision of procurement. During her short time as Acting

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Administrator, Ms. Allen has already taken the initiative to reach out to the different State agencies and jurisdictions to share their best practices for procurements. She also holds a Bachelor of Commerce from the University of Southern Africa, Master of Contracts Management from American Graduate University, and a Global Executive Master of Business Administration from George Mason University.

Ms. Allen's procurement experience includes seven years of consulting at the National Geospatial Intelligence Agency, most notably as the Executive Advisor to the Special Procurement Executive, where her team managed the cross-functional initiative, Agile Acquisition. She also has fourteen years of contracting and acquisition experience, which includes time in the United States Air Force.

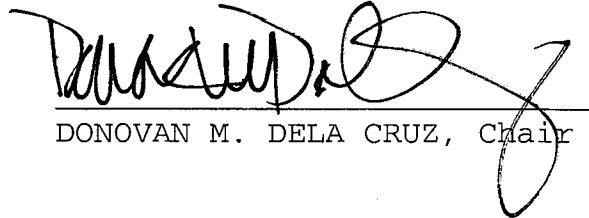
Ms. Allen indicated in her personal statement that she hopes to be able to offer constructive training and mentoring to those in the State who are procuring with taxpayer's money; encourage innovative and streamlined procurements that are on time, within budget, and successful; support those who create great procurements; ensure responsible, professional, and accountable procurement in line with codes and rules; and elevate those who procure for the State by educating them and giving them the tools to procure more efficiently and effectively.

Your Committee finds that Ms. Allen's past experiences with procurement, as well as her continuing commitment to innovative procurement practices, will be great assets as Administrator of the State Procurement Office.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Economic Development, Government Operations and Housing 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 Economic  
Development, Government  
Operations and Housing,



DONOVAN M. DELA CRUZ, Chair



The Senate  
 Twenty-Seventh Legislature  
 State of Hawai'i

**Record of Votes**  
**Committee on Economic Development, Government Operations and Housing**  
**EGH**  
**Advise and Consent**

Governor's Message No.:* <b>584</b>	Committee Referral: <b>EGH</b>	Date: <b>3/31/14</b>		
<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				
<b>Members</b>	<b>Aye</b>	<b>Aye (WR)</b>	<b>Nay</b>	<b>Excused</b>
DELA CRUZ, Donovan M. (C)	X			
SLOM, Sam (VC)	X			
BAKER, Rosalyn H.	X			
CHUN OAKLAND, Suzanne	X			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani				X
THIELEN, Laura H.	X			
WAKAI, Glenn	X			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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