

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

3408

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 04 2018

RE: GOV. MSG. NOS. 570,  
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Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi  
President of the Senate  
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2018  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Hawaiian Affairs, to which was referred Governor's Message Nos. 570 and 571, submitting for study and consideration the nomination of:

ISLAND BURIAL COUNCIL, ISLAND OF MOLOKA'I

G.M. No. 570 NILES SOARES,  
for a term to expire 06-30-2018; and

G.M. No. 571 NILES SOARES,  
for a term to expire 06-30-2022,

begs leave to report as follows:

Your Committee reviewed the personal history, resume, and statement submitted by Niles Soares for service on the Island Burial Council, Island of Moloka'i.

Your Committee received testimony in support of the nominations for the appointment and reappointment of Niles Soares from the Department of Land and Natural Resources and Ho'omana Pono, LLC.

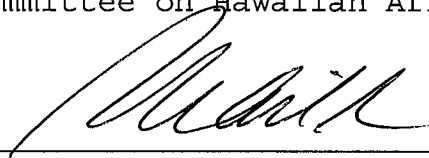
Mr. Soares was born and raised on the island of Moloka'i and is of part Native Hawaiian ancestry. His ancestors have been in Moloka'i for generations, with his great grandparents being one of the first applicants to receive Hawaiian homestead land in Kalama'ula and Ho'olehua. Mr. Soares has experience as a conservationist on Moloka'i, with years of experience working and



interning for The Nature Conservancy for Moloka'i programs, and is currently a Field Associate for the Moloka'i/Maui Invasive Species Committee. He is also the lead genealogist responsible for maintaining his family's history in Moloka'i. Your Committee finds that Mr. Soares is eager to learn the legal and cultural protocol of working with iwi kupuna and believes he will be a good representative for the island of Moloka'i on the Island Burial Council with his extensive history on the island.

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



MAILE S.L. SHIMABUKURO, Chair





The Senate  
 Twenty-Ninth Legislature  
 State of Hawai'i

**Record of Votes**  
**Committee on Hawaiian Affairs**  
**HWN**  
**Advise and Consent**

Governor's Message No.:* <b>571</b>	Committee Referral: <b>HWN</b>	Date: <b>3/27/2018</b>		
<input checked="" 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
SHIMABUKURO, Maile S.L. (C)	✓			
GALUTERIA, Brickwood (VC)	✓			
ENGLISH, J. Kalani				✓
GREEN, Josh				✓
RIVIERE, Gil	✓			
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3</b>			<b>2</b>
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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