

STAND. COM. REP. NO. **3770**

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 17 2018

RE: GOV. MSG. NOS. 587,
588, 589

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Twenty-Ninth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2018
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs, to which was referred Governor's Message Nos. 587, 588, and 589, submitting for study and consideration the nominations of:

HAWAI'I ADVISORY COUNCIL ON EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

G.M. No. 587 RICHARD MINATOYA,
for a term to expire 06-30-2022;

G.M. No. 588 GERALD SILVA,
for a term to expire 06-30-2018; and

G.M. No. 589 GERALD SILVA,
for a term to expire 06-30-2022,

begs leave to report as follows:

Your Committee reviewed the personal histories, resumes, and statements submitted by Richard Minatoya and Gerald Silva for service on the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management.

RICHARD MINATOYA

Your Committee received testimony in support of the nomination for the reappointment of Richard Minatoya from the Mayor, County of Maui and three individuals.

Upon review of the testimony, your Committee finds that Mr. Minatoya possesses the requisite qualifications to be reappointed



to the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management. Your Committee notes that Mr. Minatoya has served on the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management for several years and has proven to be a hardworking and contributing member. He is also a Supervising Deputy Prosecuting Attorney for the County of Maui. In his current position as a division head and in his former First Deputy Prosecutor position for the County of Kauai, Mr. Minatoya has completed several Emergency Management Institute and Federal Emergency Management Agency courses. He previously served as a Kauai County Council member, where he chaired the Committee on Public Safety and Services/Intergovernmental Relations, which had jurisdiction over civil defense issues. Your Committee finds that Mr. Minatoya's exemplary service as a member of the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management, extensive involvement in county government, previous civil defense work, broad legal experience, and commitment to public service will continue to provide a valuable perspective on the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management.

GERALD SILVA

Your Committee received testimony in support of the nomination for the appointment and reappointment of Gerald Silva from four individuals.

Upon review of the testimony, your Committee finds that Mr. Silva's background, experience, and proven leadership qualify him for appointment and reappointment to the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management. Your Committee notes that Mr. Silva's long and distinguished career includes various communications-related positions at the county and state levels, such as serving as the Deputy Director of the Department of Customer Services for the City and County of Honolulu and the Director of Communications and Special Projects for the Hawaii Tourism Authority. Mr. Silva also previously served as a member of the Cable Advisory Committee in 2004, but resigned his membership to take the position of Chief Operating Officer of 'Ōlelo Community Media (formerly 'Ōlelo Community Television), the largest community access television station in the country. As the Chief Operating Officer at 'Ōlelo, Mr. Silva did considerable research into chapter 440G, Hawaii Revised Statutes, which regulates cable communications systems in Hawaii. Mr. Silva was reappointed to the Cable Advisory Committee in 2014 and currently serves as the Committee's Oahu at-large member. Moreover, Mr. Silva has served as the President of AARP Hawaii for the past eight years, offering him a unique perspective



on the needs and concerns of older members of the community. Your Committee further finds that Mr. Silva's knowledge as a communications professional would be a valuable asset and therefore recommends that Mr. Silva be reappointed to the Hawaii Advisory Council on Emergency Management based on his experience and dedication to serving his community.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committee on Public Safety, Intergovernmental, and Military Affairs that are 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 Public Safety,
Intergovernmental, and Military
Affairs,


CLARENCE K. NISHIHARA, Chair



