

GM 385



GOV. MSG. NO. 385

EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS
HONOLULU

LINDA LINGLE
GOVERNOR

March 30, 2010

The Honorable Colleen Hanabusa, President
and Members of the Senate
Twenty-Fifth State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 409
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Dear Sirs and Mesdames:

In accordance with the provisions of Article V, Section 6, of the Hawai'i State Constitution, I have the honor to submit herewith for your consideration and confirmation, the following nomination to the **Board of Electricians and Plumbers**:

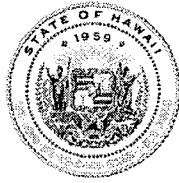
Morris H. Kaneshiro

Term to Expire: 6/30/2014

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Linda Lingle".

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COMMERCE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION

TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE
Regular Session of 2010

Tuesday, April 13, 2010
9:30 a.m.

TESTIMONY ON GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE NO. 385.

TO THE HONORABLE ROSALYN H. BAKER, CHAIR,
AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE:

My name is Charlene Tamanaha and I am the Executive Officer for the Board of Electricians and Plumbers, Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs ("Department"). The Department thanks you for the opportunity to testify on G.M. No. 385, regarding the **reappointment** of Morris H. Kaneshiro to the Board of Electricians and Plumbers ("Board"). The Department supports the confirmation of Mr. Kaneshiro's reappointment to the Board.

Mr. Kaneshiro is being reappointed to the Board as an electrician licensee member. He has been licensed as a journey worker electrician since November 9, 1977 and as a supervising electrician since August 6, 1996. His supervising electrician's license is current, active, and in good standing.

Mr. Kaneshiro has served on the Board from July 1, 2006 to present. He has attended 23 of 25 meetings held since his appointment to the Board. Mr. Kaneshiro is a diligent and contributing member who gives his time outside of Board meetings to review and update the Board's licensing examinations and to review applications. He is always prepared to discuss items on the Board's agenda and is always well studied and prepared for Board meetings. His many years of experience as a licensed electrician contribute to the breadth of information that the Board has found useful when making its decisions. We believe that Mr. Kaneshiro's experience in the profession and his desire to serve the public will continue to enhance the effectiveness of the Board.

The Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs supports the confirmation of Mr. Kaneshiro to the Board of Electricians & Plumbers, and thanks you for the opportunity to provide testimony.

HAWAII ELECTRICAL WORKERS

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April 7, 2010

Ms. Cathy Yasuda
Office of Senator Rosalyn Baker

Dear Ms. Yasuda;

This letter that I'm sending you is a testimony on the behalf of Morris Kaneshiro. I have worked with Morris in the electrical construction industry for 23 years. In all those years, Morris has always taken apart in our Safety programs and has been involved in various training programs. Morris is very knowledgeable in the construction industry, not just electrical, but in many various trades as well. Morris's compassion for the quality and safety on construction projects makes him an asset to the Electricians and Plumbers License Board. I know from personal experience that Morris will always strive to assure that work performed in the State of Hawaii is done by qualified personnel who has been trained to adhere to State Codes and comply with Safety Procedures.

Please concenter the re-nomination Morris Kaneshiro to the Licenses Board of Electricians and Plumbers.

Respectfully submitted,

Rodney Capello

Rodney Capello

Business Manager/Secr. Treas.

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From: Will Giles [WGiles@pacadmin.com]
Sent: Monday, April 12, 2010 1:59 PM
To: CPN Testimony
Subject: HEARING CPN 04-13-10 - Morris Kaneshiro

HEARING CPN 04-13-10

April 12, 2010

RE: Morris Kaneshiro

Dear Senate Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection (CPN),

I would like to recommend to the Senators of the Senate Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, on the re-nomination of Mr. Morris Kaneshiro, to the Board of Electricians and Plumbers.

I have had the opportunity to know and work with Mr. Kaneshiro for a number of years. During this time period, Mr. Kaneshiro has demonstrated a high level of integrity, loyalty, competent, knowledge, and with the upmost confidence.

With Mr. Kaneshiro many years and experiences in the Electrical Trade, he would continue to serve as a great asset as a member of the Board of Electricians and Plumbers for the State of Hawaii.

I would like once again to recommend to the Committee to consider Mr. Kaneshiro for this appointment as a Board member.

Sincerely Yours,

William Giles

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Morris Kaneshiro

Aiea, Hawaii 96701

April 6, 2010

Ms. Cathy Yasuda
OFFICE OF SENATOR ROSALYN BAKER
Chair, Senate Committee on Commerce & Consumer Protection

Dear Ms. Yasuda:

This is in response to your email dated April 1, 2010 in regard to my re-nomination to the Board of Electricians and Plumbers.

Unfortunately I will be unable to attend the senate hearing on April 13, 2010 due to prior commitments. Please find my resume attached.

After serving my initial term, I have a greater understanding of the review and qualification process and can provide continuity as the board moves forward into 2011.

My role as a board member is to ensure that applicants meet the minimum requirements to take the state exam to become a licensed electrician. Preventing unqualified applicants from becoming licensed in the state of Hawaii is vital in our mission to ensure a high level of quality service being offered by the industry.

A critical issue presently being debated before the board is an educational component that would be required for all applicants applying to take the state licensing exam. I was a participant in the apprenticeship program and strongly believe in its merits. An ideal curriculum would shadow the current apprentice class content and allow participants a strong base as they progress towards achieving the required 10,000 work hours for exam qualification. The benefit of requiring an educational component, either by apprenticeship or structured class program, would only enhance the quality of service provided by the electrical industry.

In my 35 years in the electrical trade, I have had the opportunity to work in the industry at all levels and with all the other various construction trades. In addition, my experience of working with all levels in the government and private sectors on a wide range of projects further enhances my ability to review applications and determine whether they are qualified applicants.

In closing, my experience during my initial term on the board, my work experience and the desire to maintain a high level of confidence in the electrical industry will allow me to make a very positive contribution if selected to serve a second term.

Respectfully submitted,



Attachment