

# GM 630

**Measure Title:** Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Motor Vehicle Industry Licensing Board, Gubernatorial Nominee, STANLEY T. MASAMITSU, for a term to expire 6-30-2015.

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TWENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE  
REGULAR SESSION OF 2011

Thursday, April 7, 2011  
9:00 a.m.

**TESTIMONY ON GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE NO. 630.**

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

My name is Christine Rutkowski and I am the Executive Officer for the Motor Vehicle Industry Licensing Board, Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs ("Department"). The Department thanks you for the opportunity to testify on Governor's Message No. 630, regarding the **reappointment** of Stanley Masamitsu to the Motor Vehicle Industry Licensing Board ("Board"). The Department supports the confirmation of Mr. Masamitsu's reappointment to the Board.

Mr. Masamitsu is being nominated to the Board as an industry member and he has served on the Board since July 1, 2007. Mr. Masamitsu is licensed as a motor vehicle salesperson and his license is current and in good standing. As

president/director of Hawaii licensed motor vehicle dealerships, Mr. Masamitsu has developed valuable knowledge about the motor vehicle industry.

Since he was appointed, the Board convened 25 meetings of which Mr. Masamitsu attended 17. During the meetings, Mr. Masamitsu actively contributed to discussions by sharing his experiences about the motor vehicle industry. These shared experiences have aided Board members in discussion about the issues that the Board faces.

The Department believes that Mr. Masamitsu's interest in continuing to serve on the Board, his active experience in the industry and his desire to contribute to the community will continue to enhance the Board's effectiveness.

Therefore, the Department supports the confirmation of Stanley Masamitsu to the Motor Vehicle Industry Licensing Board, and thanks you for the opportunity to provide testimony.



# Hawaii Automobile Dealers' Association

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HADA testimony in STRONG SUPPORT of GM 630  
Gubernatorial Nominee STAN T. MASAMITSU for confirmation to an industry position on the  
Motor Vehicle Industry Licensing Board, for a term to expire 6-30-2015

presented to the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection  
public hearing scheduled for 9 a.m. Thursday, April 7, 2011  
in Conference Room 229

Chair Baker, Vice Chair Taniguchi and members of the committee:

HADA, the association of new car dealers, offers strong support for Gubernatorial Nominee Stan T. Masamitsu to serve in an industry position on the Motor Vehicle Industry Licensing Board, for a term to expire 6-30-2015.

Mr. Masamitsu is president of Tony Group, a collection of state-of-the-industry auto dealerships located in Leeward and Central Oahu.

He currently serves on the MVILB in an industry position. He has previously served two years as HADA president.

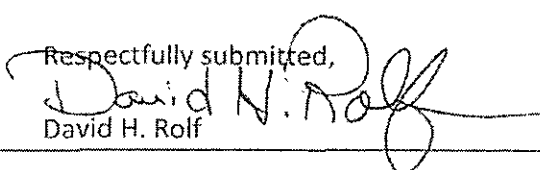
In June 2006, Mr. Masamitsu was recognized by Pacific Business News with the "PBN Under 40 Young Business Leaders of the Year Award." In 2007, he was named as the Hawaii Dealer of the Year and represented the state in the Time Magazine Quality Dealer Award ceremonies at the National Automobile Dealers Association's annual convention.

In the wake of Hurricane Katrina, in August of 2005, Mr. Masamitsu asked his nearly 500 employees to join him in raising money to help those affected by the storm. The company offered \$1 for every \$1 contributed and provided \$45,628 in donations.

The Tony Group Foundation additionally has played an active role in the lives of young people, donating tens of thousands of dollars in scholarships over the years for public high school graduates in the Leeward and Central areas of Oahu.

The members of HADA consider it a privilege to support this successful, well-respected, talented, civic-minded, auto dealer for an industry position on the MVILB. We stand in strong support of GM630 and urge the committee's favorable consideration and confirmation of Mr. Stan Masamitsu.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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**TESTIMONY ON GM630**

**Thursday, April 7, 2011, 9:00 a.m.  
State Capitol, Conference Room 229**

**SENATE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION**

TO: The Honorable Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair  
The Honorable Brian T. Taniguchi, Chair  
Members of the Senate Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection

My name is Curtis K. Saiki. I am submitting this written testimony in support of Stanley T. Masamitsu's nomination to serve as a member of the Motor Vehicle Industry Licensing Board.

I've personally known Stan for over twenty-five years. I also worked with him in his capacity as the President of the Tony Group. Stan is honest and trustworthy. I believe he is committed to assisting local customers and the auto industry in a very positive, professional and balanced manner. I believe those qualities would serve the Board well.

I respectfully recommend Stan's confirmation to the Motor Vehicle Industry Licensing Board.

**TESTIMONY OF ANTHONY F. CHUN, ESQ. IN SUPPORT OF THE  
NOMINATION OF STANLEY T. MASAMITSU TO THE MOTOR VEHICLE  
INDUSTRY LICENSING BOARD**

April 5, 2011

To: Chairperson Rosalyn Baker and Members of the Senate Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection:

My name is Anthony Chun, Esq. and I am submitting this testimony in support of the nomination of Stanley Masamitsu to the Motor Vehicle Industry Licensing Board.

Stan is my high school classmate and a very close friend for over 20 years. Stan has always conducted himself with integrity and treated others fairly and in a professional manner. He is very conscientious and will be a valuable member of the Motor Vehicle Industry.

He is always willing to help others and has always contributed to the community. Stan also has a reputation for being a decisive and straightforward person, as well as a creative thinker.

I wholeheartedly support his nomination and urge his confirmation by this committee and the Hawaii State Senate. Thank you for the opportunity to submit this testimony.