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TESTIMONY



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To: The Honorable Clayton Hee, Chair
and Members of the Senate Committee on Judiciary and Labor

Date: April 13, 2011

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Place: Conference Room 016, State Capitol

From: Dwight Takamine, Director
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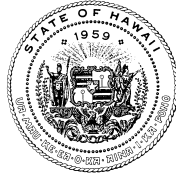
**GM 739 – ANTONIO J. SAGUIBO
Hawai'i Workforce Development Council**

The Department of Labor and Industrial Relations (DLIR) supports the confirmation of Mr. Antonio J. Saguibo to the Hawai'i Workforce Development Council.

Mr. Saguibo has a variety of work and board experiences, which combined with his strong legal background, would enable him to make a strong contribution to the Workforce Development Council. Mr. Saguibo currently serves on the Boards of the Blue Cross Blue Shield National Labor Office, the O'ahu Arts Center, the Aloha United Way and the Industrial Relations Research Association. Mr. Saguibo also has significant experience working in the policy arena, having served as a cabinet member for the City & County of Honolulu as well as general council and lobbyist for the Laborers' Union Local 368. Moreover, most recently Mr. Saguibo has worked as a Vice President for the Hawai'i Medical Service Association and therefore has high-level management and supervisory experience in the private sector.

In summary, Mr. Saguibo is well qualified and deserving of confirmation to the Hawai'i Workforce Development Council.

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To: The Honorable Clayton Hee, Chair
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Date: Wednesday, April 13, 2011
Time: 9:00 a.m.
Place: State Capitol, Conference Room 016

From: James P. Hardway, Executive Director
Workforce Development Council

**RE: GM 739 – Antonio Saguibo Jr.
Workforce Development Council**

The Workforce Development Council (“WDC”) supports the appointment of Mr. Antonio Saguibo Jr. as a member of the WDC for a term to expire on 6/30/2015. Mr. Saguibo would fill a slot reserved for private sector members on the WDC.

The WDC is an attached agency to the DLIR and is responsible for advising the Governor and Legislature on workforce development to support economic development and employment opportunities for all. The WDC is also the State Workforce Investment Board for purposes of the federal Workforce Investment Act (“WIA”) of 1998. The WDC assists the Governor in developing and updating comprehensive five-year strategic workforce investment plans and oversees workforce (public) investment activities in the state.

Mr. Saguibo would join the Council as the second member with healthcare experience. With his work at the Hawaii Medical Services Association (“HMSA”), overseeing healthcare plan changes, he would bring to the Council another facet of the healthcare puzzle in relation to how it affects the development of higher-paid, higher-skill positions and the expenses associated with healthcare coverage. Along with his work at HMSA, Mr. Saguibo also has legal knowledge of healthcare and workers compensation through his work in a local law firm. All of this knowledge will be effective as the WDC continues to advise the Governor on matters related to developing the workforce in Hawaii.

Thank you for this time to provide testimony for Mr. Antonio Saguibo Jr.

TESTIMONY FOR HEARING

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TO: SENATE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY AND LABOR
Senator Clayton Hee, Chair
Senator Maile S. L. Shimabukuro, Vice Chair

FROM: Donna L. Kekauoha

RE: TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF GM 739

Chair Hee, Vice Chair Shimabukuro, and Committee Members:

I am submitting my testimony in support of Gubernatorial Nominee, ANTONIO J. SAGUIBO, to the Hawaii Workforce Development Council.

In the nine years that I have known Mr. Saguibo, I have found him to be a person of impeccable integrity, and I believe that his wealth of knowledge and experience in labor and employment issues provides him with the capacity and fortitude essential to delivering quality performance as a member of the Council.

I respectfully ask for your consideration and confirmation of Mr. Saguibo's nomination to the Hawaii Workforce Development Council.

Thank you for this opportunity to submit my testimony.