

GM833

DARYL SUEHIRO

Measure Title: Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Contractors License Board, Gubernatorial Nominee, DARYL SUEHIRO, for a term to expire 6-30-2016.

Report Title: Contractors License Board

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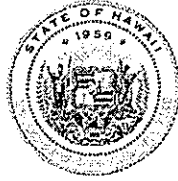
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3/20/2012	S	Referred to CPN.
3/21/2012	S	The committee(s) on CPN has scheduled a public hearing on 04-04-12 9:30AM in conference room 229.



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TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON
COMMERCE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION

TWENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE
Regular Session of 2012

Wednesday, April 4, 2012
9:30 a.m.

TESTIMONY ON GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE NO. GM 833.

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

My name is Verna Oda and I am the Executive Officer for the Contractors License Board, Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs ("Department"). The Department thanks you for the opportunity to testify on Governor's Message No. 833 regarding the **reappointment** of Daryl S. Suehiro to the Contractors License Board ("Board"). The Department supports the confirmation of Mr. Suehiro's reappointment to the Board.

Mr. Suehiro is being reappointed to the Board as a licensee member. He has been licensed as an electrical contractor since August 4, 1988, and also holds a journeyman electrician license. He is the responsible managing employee of D. Suehiro Electric, Inc., and his licenses are current, active, and in good standing.

Mr. Suehiro has been a contributing member of the Board since July 2008 and has attended 35 of 39 meetings. He also attends the Board's monthly Applications Committee meetings and assists in the review of applications for licensure.

Mr. Suehiro's expertise in the electrical field is critical to the Board's ability to interpret scope of practice issues in this highly specialized area, and is especially significant with the emergence of new technology and alternative energy sources such as photovoltaic systems. The Department has been very pleased with Mr. Suehiro's performance as a member of the Board, and looks forward to continuing to benefit from his contributions during his second term.

The Department supports the confirmation of Mr. Suehiro to the Contractors License Board, and thanks you for the opportunity to provide testimony.



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March 23, 2012

Senator Carol Fukunaga
Senate District 11
Hawaii State Capitol, Room 216
Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

RE: Mr Daryl Suehiro's Nomination for re-appointment to the Contractors' License Board (CLB)

Honorable Carol Fukunaga:

As the Executive Director of the Electrical Contractors Association of Hawaii (ECAH), I **highly recommend** the confirmation of Mr Daryl Suehiro's nomination for another term on the Contractors' License Board. Daryl is a contractor member of ECAH and also the National Electrical Contractors' Association (NECA). He is a current director and former President of ECAH. Daryl's knowledge of the electrical industry as a working contractor and businessman has been and will continue to be a valuable asset to the CLB. He also holds a Journeyman's Electrical license so he knows the industry from a layman's point of view. His greatest asset is his devotion to the industry. As he has been quoted, "I'm not doing this for myself or my company; it's for the electrical industry".

Daryl also serves as a trustee on the Hawaii Electricians Marketing Enhancement Program and the Joint Apprentice Training Center, a partnership between the signatory contractors and IBEW Local 1186. His passion to promote and protect the electrical construction industry is without question of the highest priority. Among all the members of the association, I cannot think of another individual who has the credentials and the willingness to give back to the industry by serving another term on the CLB.

An approval for his confirmation would be in the best interest of the electrical construction industry, the construction industry in general and for the general good of the State of Hawaii. Please approve the nomination for the re-appointment of Daryl Suehiro to the CLB.

Sincerely,

Al Itamoto

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Executive Director
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A Chapter of the National Electrical Contractors Association

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April 4, 2012

Testimony To: Senate Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection
Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair

Presented By: Tim Lyons
President

Subject: GM 833 – Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Contractors License Board, Gubernatorial Nominee, DARYL SUEHIRO, for a term to expire 6-30-2016.

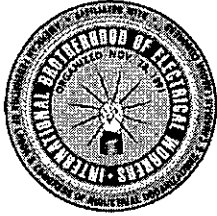
Chair Baker and Members of the Committee:

I am Tim Lyons, President of the Subcontractors Association of Hawaii and we come before you today in order to recommend your confirmation of Daryl Suehiro for a term on the Contractors License Board.

We have had the occasion to work with Mr. Suehiro on a few issues relating to contractors licensing and we can say that he has demonstrated a fair and balanced approach to regulation, as well as concern for the regulation of contractors under Chapter 444.

Based on the above, we highly recommend Mr. Suehiro for another term on the Contractors License Board.

Thank you.



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March 29, 2012

TO: **SENATOR ROSALYN BAKER, CHAIR**
State Senate Committee on Commerce & Consumer Protection
For Hearing on Wednesday, April 4, 2012, 9:30 a.m., Conference Room 229

RE: **TESTIMONY IN STRONG SUPPORT OF GM 833**

**NOMINATION OF MR. DARYL SUEHIRO TO THE HAWAII
CONTRACTORS LICENSE BOARD**

**Honorable Chair Baker, Vice Chair Taniguchi, and Members of the State Senate
Committee on Commerce & Consumer Protection,**

The **International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local Union 1186** represents over 3,200 members working in electrical construction, telecommunications, and with Oceanic Cable. Our members include civil service employees at Pearl Harbor, Kaneohe, Hickam, and at every military installation in Hawaii. IBEW Local 1186 also represents over 110 signatory electrical contracting companies that perform most of the electrical work in the state.

It is our pleasure to humbly offer our strong support for the Governor's reappointment of **Mr. Daryl Suehiro** to the **Hawaii State Contractors License Board**. Mr. Suehiro possesses the experience, knowledge, skills, temperament, integrity, and commitment required for such an important position. He is known to quickly grasp complex issues and work with different parties to reach fair decisions. We are fortunate that he has expressed his willingness to continue to serve and to help protect public safety.

Mr. Suehiro's extensive background in construction contracting and working with general contractors, subcontractors, government officials, labor, and management to bridge differences and find innovative solutions will be a tremendous asset to the Governor, the State Legislature, the Contractors License Board, and the people of Hawaii.

We urge you to support GM 833 and Mr. Daryl Suehiro's confirmation, and we thank you for this opportunity to offer our testimony in strong support.

Aloha and mahalo,

Damien Kim
Business Manager – Financial Secretary
International Brotherhood of
Electrical Workers Local Union 1186

Presentation Before the Senate Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection

April 4, 2012

Contractors License Board

GM 833

Chair Baker, members of the Senate Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection. Thank you for this opportunity to present some background about myself in your consideration of my confirmation to the Contractors license Board.

I was born and raised on Oahu. I grew up in Manoa valley and attended Roosevelt High School. I moved to Kapahulu in 1990 where I presently reside there with my wife and daughter.

I am currently the president of D. Suehiro Electric, Inc. a family business that we started in 1988. In 2010 we started 808 Underground Utilities, Inc. a general contracting company where I serve as vice president of operations.

My first experience with the Contractors License Board was in 1986 when I applied for my electrical contracting license and was denied. I was told to come back in two years and apply again. At the time I was disappointed with the decision based on the lack of experience, but in looking back I now believe it was the right decision based on maturity and the understanding of responsibility.

I know that there are a lot of unlicensed activity and work being done outside of classification in the state due to the lack of educating the public and the lack of resources to enforce the current laws that we have in place. I believe that a contractors license is at the fore front of consumer protection and is the only recourse that the consumer has if they hire a licensed contractor.

Serving for four years on the Contractor's License Board have gone by quickly. It has been challenging at times running both businesses and making the twice a month meetings. At first I was undecided to serve another four year term, but later reconsidered because I feel that it is important to serve and I feel that I can make a contribution and give back to the contracting industry that has provided for my family and our valued employees.

I look forward to the new challenges ahead and humbly ask you to support my nomination to the Contractors License Board. Thank you.