# GM835 RAY GALAS

Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Board of Private

Measure Title:

Detectives and Guards, Gubernatorial Nominee, RAY GALAS, for a

term to expire 6-30-2016.

Report Title:

Board of Private Detectives and Guards

Description:

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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** 

> Tuesday, April 4, 2012 9:30 a.m.

## **TESTIMONY ON GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE NO. 835 RAY GALAS**

### WRITTEN ONLY

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

My name is Keali'i S. Lopez, and I am the Director of Commerce and Consumer Affairs ("DCCA" or the "Department"). The Department appreciates the opportunity to provide testimony in support of Governor's Message No. 835 regarding the appointment of Ray Galas to the Board of Private Detectives and Guards ("Board") as a public member. The Department respectfully requests the Committee to recommend that the Senate advise and consent this appointment to the Board.

KEALI'I S. LOPEZ

Mr. Ray Galas currently works for KHPR/KIPO Hawaii Public Radio on Weekend Edition Saturday Hawaii in Broadcast Operations as a Corporate Relations Associate, and has had a varied and interesting lifetime of community service experiences, mainly centered around security/defense and acting/theater. Mr. Galas' varied experiences make him an ideal choice for the Public Member position on the Board.

In light of his background, I am confident that if given the opportunity, Mr. Galas will prove to be an asset to the State and to this Board. I respectfully request the Committee recommend that the Senate advise and consent to this appointment.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify.

# SENATE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION TWENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE REGULAR SESSION, 2012 WENESDAY, MARCH 4, 2012

9:30 AM

### **TESTIMONY ON GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE NO. 835**

**RAY GALAS** 

### **WRITTEN ONLY**

TO THE HONORABLE ROSALYN H. BAKER, CHAIR,

AND TO THE HONORABLE BRIAN T. TANIGUCHI, VICE CHAIR,

AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE:

I would like to provide testimony in support of Governor's Message

No. 835, regarding the appointment of Ray Galas to the Board of Private Detectives and

Guards as a public member.

I have known Mr. Galas for over 25 years through his volunteer leadership service with the Hawaii State Distributive Education Clubs of America (DECA) vocational technical training program in Hawaii's schools at the local, state and national levels as a member, president, national winner and state parliamentarian, advisor and judge. I believe that his long community, volunteer, and public service contributions and experiences will be of benefit to the Board and its mission. In addition to DECA, his service on the Hawaii State Illegal Fireworks Task Force, the Hawaii State Student Council as well as his understanding and advocacy for school-community education and training collaborative programs will add a unique, informed perspective and experience to the Board and its mission.

Mr. Galas, in his capacities as a State Task Force Member, and a Honolulu City & County Neighborhood Board/Commission Member is already familiar with many of the parliamentary, public hearings, executive session and committee processes and

procedures of State Boards. In his capacities as a deployed team leader for US Army NATO forces in the Balkans KFOR operations responsible for Albania, Kosovo and Macedonia armed forces emergency services including emergency crises counseling and casework services working with American Red Cross/ Non Governmental Agencies in support of the United States NATO humanitarian mission, Mr. Galas is familiar with force protection, security, sustainment, stability, report and review operations and executive management systems.

In consideration of his prior experience, I respectfully request the Committee to recommend that the Senate advise and consent to the appointment of Ray Galas to the Hawaii State Board of Private Detectives and Guards.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify.

Mrs. Linda Urner

Senator Rosalyn Baker

Chair, Senate Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection

State of Hawaii

Aloha and Mahaio.

Thank you to you and to the Senators serving on your Committee, as well as to Governor Abercrombie for your consideration for a position on the Board of Private Detectives and Guards. Having served in statewide law enforcement-community partnerships such as the Illegal Fireworks Task Force as well as the Neighborhood Board No. 23, I've found volunteer leadership activities of community- business-government collaborations interesting and rewarding and can share direct experiences and perspectives at the tactical, operational and strategic levels.

Serving with the various sector representatives of law enforcement and the private security industry as a member of the Board of Private Detectives and Guards is an opportunity to continue to contribute towards the growth of a safer community by improving and increasing capabilities and capacities of the on-going training and education of the private security industry. I understand the importance of the responsibilities and the scope of the decision making process for the community and for the industry.

Mahalo and please know I am thankful for your consideration and if afforded the opportunity I will serve diligently because I care about the future, effectiveness and quality of the industry and the safety needs and concerns of our community.

/s/ Ray Galas