

GM 536

Measure Title: Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the State Rehabilitation Council, Gubernatorial Nominee, JONATHAN CHUN, for a term to expire 6-30-2013.

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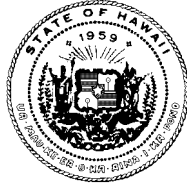
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MEMORANDUM:

TO: The Honorable Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair
Senate Committee on Human Services

FROM: Patricia McManaman, Director

SUBJECT: **GM 536– GUBERNATORIAL NOMINATION OF JONATHAN CHUN
TO THE STATE REHABILITATION COUNCIL**

Hearing: Tuesday February 12, 2013, 1:15 p.m.
Conference Room 016, State Capitol

The Department of Human Services (DHS) supports the nomination of Mr. Jonathan Chun to the State Rehabilitation Council (SRC). The SRC was established in the 1992 Amendments to the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. The SRC acts in partnership with the DHS' Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR) on services that address employment needs of individuals with disabilities.

Mr. Jonathan Chun is seeking an appointment for his first term on the SRC, representing Business and Labor.

Mr. Chun brings to the council over 30 years of legal practice experience as an attorney in both the public and private market, supporting the employment needs of Hawaii's people. He currently is a partner of Belles Graham Proudfoot Wilson & Chun, LLP, on the island of Kauai. Mr. Chun's work has included being a volunteer on

the Work Force Development Council (statewide), representing the county of Kauai. Mr. Chun is actively on a statewide task force that includes work with the DVR regarding the Disability Employment Initiative under the Department of Labor.

Through Mr. Chun's years of work on employment issues in the Hawaii labor market, he brings a wealth of experience and networking possibilities to the table which proactively seeks the capabilities through employment of individuals with disabilities. Mr. Chun will provide representation to the SRC for Business and Labor and Kauai County.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony to this Committee.