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Elevator Mechanics Licensing Board

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TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE
Regular Session of 2013

Wednesday, April 10, 2013
9:30 a.m.

WRITTEN TESTIMONY

TESTIMONY ON GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE NO. 782.

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

My name is Keali'i S. Lopez, the Director of the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs ("Department"). The Department thanks you for the opportunity to testify on Governor's Message No. 782, regarding the appointment of James Wilburn Jr., to the Elevator Mechanics Licensing Board ("Board"). The Department supports the confirmation of Wilburn's appointment to the Board.

Mr. Wilburn is being nominated to the Board as a licensed member. He has been licensed in Hawaii since 2001, and his license is current, active, and in good standing.

Mr. Wilburn looks forward to bringing his knowledge as a licensee on the front lines of the industry. He hopes that he can provide a different perspective on issues presented before the Board and is familiar with the concerns of workers and what they hear from consumers.

The nominee is also a volunteer in helping to keep Hawaii's hiking trails safe and clear. He gives time to maintain some of Hawaii's best natural attractions as member of the Hawaiian Trail and Mountain Club. He also showed his willingness to serve his fellow citizens by choosing to be part of the Hawaii Air National Guard for nearly six years.

We believe that the nominee's experience and dedication to the public's best interest make him a good candidate for this position.

The Department supports the confirmation of James Wilburn Jr. to the Elevator Mechanics Licensing Board, and thanks you for the opportunity to provide testimony.

The Twenty-Seventh Legislature
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Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection

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Governor's Message 782
Relating to the consideration and confirmation of James Wilburn, Jr.
to the Elevator Mechanic's Licensing Board

The Honorable Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair, Brickwood Galuteria, Vice-Chair, and Esteemed Members of the Committee

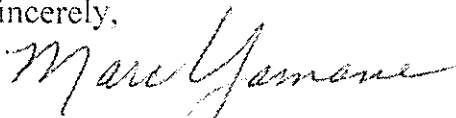
I am honored to write this letter in recommendation of Jim Wilburn. He has been a colleague and a friend for the past 12 years. He is an intelligent, knowledgeable, and responsible person who always made himself available to assist the Elevator Industry in any way possible.

From being a highly sought after apprentice to becoming the lead Journeyman at the Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard, where he's in charge of all the elevators on the base, Jim has met every challenge that has confronted him since entering the Elevator Industry and has excelled at each and every step.

Jim's work ethic is impeccable. He is an independent, self-directed person and has excellent communication skills. Not only have I found Jim to be a dependable and reliable co-worker but an honest, resourceful, and open-minded individual.

I have no doubt that Jim would be a tremendous asset to the State of Hawaii Elevator Licensing Board and I hope you will give him serious consideration and the opportunity to become the newest Elevator Mechanic's Licensing Board Member.

Sincerely,



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STATEMENT OF JIM WILBURN

(1) Why do you wish to become a member of the Elevator Mechanic Licensing Board?

I would like to become a member of the board because I believe that I would be an asset with my over 12 years of experience in the elevator industry. I would like to collaborate with the other members of the board to continue their mission to monitor regulation compliance within the trade to ensure public safety.

(2) How do you perceive the role and responsibilities of the members of the Elevator Mechanic Licensing Board?

The role and responsibilities of the members of the board are to monitor and ensure that all members of the trade are in compliance with elevator mechanic licensing.

(3) Given your understanding of the role and responsibilities as a member of the board, why do you believe that you are qualified for the position?

I have over 12 years of experience in the elevator industry and have worked with current codes on a federal military base (ie: Pearl Harbor Naval Air Station and Hickam Air Force Base) for the past 8 years. I am also a member of the local union executive board (Local 126) which I believe will enhance my potential membership on the State Elevator Mechanic Licensing Board as I am familiar with current union issues and am committed and receptive to the myriad needs of my elevator industry colleagues.

(4) What do you hope to accomplish during your term of service?

I hope to continue to work with the other members of the board to develop a continuing education training program for mechanic license recertification.

(5) Name three qualities that best describe you and how these qualities will benefit the board.

Three qualities that describe me are diligence, commitment and honesty. These qualities will benefit the board by providing honest and open communication with my fellow board members, as well as commitment to completing the tasks at hand. It is very important to me to implement a continuing education program to ensure overall elevator safety.

(6) Name a previous experience you've had that will be beneficial as a board member.

I have previously held a Qualified Elevator Inspector's License.

(7) Can you foresee any possible conflicts of interest that could arise during your service on the board? How would you overcome any possible conflicts of interest?

There are no conflicts of interest that I am aware of. If a conflict does arise I would immediately inform the other members of the board to work to resolve the issue.