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Statement of  
**RICHARD C. LIM**  
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Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism  
before the  
**HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HOUSING**  
Monday, February 10, 2014  
9 a.m.  
State Capitol, Conference Room 329  
in consideration of  
**HB2252**  
**RELATING TO CERTIFICATION OF GAS TANKLESS WATER HEATERS.**

Chair Hashem, Vice Chair Woodson, and Members of the Committee.

The Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism (DBEDT) supports this Administration measure to delete reference to the Underwriters Laboratories, Inc., and insert references to a North American certification organization, such as the Canadian Standards Association International; the Air-Conditioning, Heating, and Refrigeration Institute; or the Gas Appliance Manufacturers Association Certification Program. This amendment more accurately assures that gas-tankless water heaters still meet performance requirements recognized by a third party, certification organization. Underwriters Laboratories, Inc., lists manufacturers but not the specific product or model numbers of the gas-tankless water heaters. The organizations above test and evaluate gas-tankless water heaters and list which products and models are certified.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide this testimony.



**Monday, February 10, 2014 at 9:00 A.M.**  
**State Capitol, Conference Room 329**  
**HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HOUSING (HSG)**  
**H.B. No. 2252 - Relating to Certification of Gas Tankless Water Heaters**

Testimony in Support  
Joseph Boivin, Jr., Senior Vice President

Chair Hashem and Members of the Committee:

Hawaii Gas **supports** H.B. 2252 in its current form, which requires certification of gas tankless on-demand water heaters from a North American certification organization to include the Canadian Standards Association International; the Air-Conditioning, Heating, and Refrigeration Institute; or the Gas Appliance Manufacturers Association Certification Program, which list certified products and models to be effective July 1, 2014.

H.B. 2252 will ensure that gas tankless on-demand water heaters installed in Hawaii meet the latest standards for safety and efficiency.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this measure.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
IRA CALKINS	Individual	Support	No

Comments: IRA CALKINS GOVERNMENTAL RESEARCHER 730 Captain Cook Ave Unit 426 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813-2161 Your actions will prove my statements of the following to be a fact and true. The Democratic Party Line has taken away the voice of the people in the making of laws, taxation with out representation in the State of Hawaii. It appears the Hawaii State Legislators are being blackmailed in to voting the Democratic party line, or the Democratic Party will not support the State of Hawaii Legislator in the next state wide election. It does not matter what the people think, the Democratic Party has already decided for us on all bills before the State of Hawaii Legislature . The chairman's in all committee meetings has a script to follow that the Speaker of the House, and the Speaker of the Senate has given the Committee Chairs to follow, to instruct the committee how to vote on a any given measures, all Bills in all committees of the State of Hawaii Legislature. It is determined ahead of time by the Democratic Party members how a committee member will vote when staying with the party line on any given Bill in the State of Hawaii Legislature, Democracy has been taken away from the tax payers in the State of Hawaii. Ira Calkins Honolulu 4696434 or 3498667 FAX 808-545-4707 Washington D.C. 202-697-9782

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Jennifer Reschan	Individual	Oppose	No

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Gene Lamkin	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: Tank-less gas water heaters already meet standards for safety and use in our tropical environment. Tank-less gas water heaters have been in use for decades, why do they suddenly need Canadian standards? We live in a tropical environment, why is there a need to add more costs to home building and improvements? This is an unnecessary regulation to an already expensive home improvement market.

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