

GM 540

Measure Title: Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners, Gubernatorial Nominee, LINA KIKUTA, for a term to expire 6-30-2018.

Report Title: State Board of Chiropractic Examiners

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Regular Session of 2014

Wednesday, March 12, 2014
10:00 a.m.

TESTIMONY ON GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE NO. 540.

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

My name is Lynn Bhanot and I am the Executive Officer for the Board of Chiropractic Examiners ("Board"), Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs ("Department"). The Department thanks you for the opportunity to testify on Governor's Message No. 540, regarding the **reappointment** of Lina Kikuta to the Board. The Department supports the confirmation of Ms. Kikuta's reappointment to the Board.

Ms. Kikuta has served on the Board since May 6, 2011, and is being reappointed as a public member.

Ms. Kikuta has attended 14 of 16 meetings. Through her active participation during the Board's discussions, Ms. Kikuta has shown that she has prepared for the matters that are on the Board's agendas and that she is knowledgeable about the

issues that the Board faces. Ms. Kikuta provides the Board with valuable perspectives as the lay consumer member.

The Department believes that Ms. Kikuta's interest in serving on the Board and desire to contribute to the community will continue to enhance the effectiveness of the Board.

Therefore, the Department supports the confirmation of Lina Kikuta to the Board of Chiropractic Examiners, and thanks you for the opportunity to provide testimony.

*Marcia M. Taira
2624 Rooke Ave.
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March 11, 2014

State of Hawaii – Senate
Committee on Commerce and Consumer Affairs

Dear Committee on Commerce and Consumer Affairs:

Re: Lina Kikuta – Appointment for the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners

It is with great honor that I write to you on behalf of Lina Kikuta who you are considering to renew as a Board Member of Chiropractic Examiners. I have known Mrs. Kikuta for most of her life and as a personal reference, I can attest to her ability to make sound decisions. During her younger years, she was able to withstand much adversity as the eldest sibling of a large family. Her parents expired at a young age and she was left to keep the family together – this was probably the reason for her strong ethics and outstanding family values.

Her business acumen, managerial ability and exposure to various work opportunities allow her to evaluate any situation with a pragmatic approach and thus, coming to a decision that will be in the best interest of the general public.

I hope you will consider Mrs. Kikuta for this appointment. Feel free to contact me at 808-625-8344 if you have any questions or would like further information.

Sincerely,

*Marcia M. Taira
Personal Friend of Lina Kikuta*

To: Office of Senator Rosalyn Baker

From: Lina Kikuta

Subject: Nomination to the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners

Date: February 26, 2014

Dear Senator,

In response to your request for information for my confirmation, I am submitting this testimony.

- 1) I wish to be a member of the State Board of Chiropractic Examiners because it is my civic duty to represent the public on their behalf at the meetings.
- 2) The rules and responsibilities of a member are: to be present at the meetings, to be attentive at the proceedings and listen with an open mind to the issues presented.
- 3) I am qualified to be a member because I am able to work with the members, make sound decisions based on acquired knowledge and I believe in the practice of chiropractic. I have been a patient for many years.
- 4) I want to be an informed citizen of Hawaii. Before I sat on this board, I had no idea of what was expected or what a board does.
- 5) Qualities which describe me: I am comfortable asking questions for understanding and clarification; I made a commitment to be present and I will carry out my term as promised; I am detailed oriented.
- 6) I have been a patient of chiropractic for many years so I am familiar with their procedures. As a tutor and substitute teacher, I like to stay with the agenda and "get to the point" and not get side tracked.
- 7) The only conflicts of interest that may occur during my service would be not being able to attend a meeting for a substituting job or for a family obligation. These two things would take precedence over a board meeting.