## GM 591

Measure Title: Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Board of Private Detectives and Guards, Gubernatorial Nominee, GARY YABUTA, for a term to expire 6-30-2018.

Report Title: Board of Private Detectives and Guards

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## TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION

TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE Regular Session of 2014

> Friday, April 11, 2014 9:00 a.m.

## **TESTIMONY ON GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE NO. 591.**

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

My name is Charlene Tamanaha and I am the Executive Officer for the Board of Private Detectives and Guards ("Board"), Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs ("Department"). The Department thanks you for the opportunity to testify on Governor's Message No. 591, regarding the **reappointment** of Maui Chief of Police Gary Yabuta to the Board. The Department supports the confirmation of Police Chief Yabuta's reappointment to the Board.

Police Chief Yabuta has been serving on the Board as a Police Chief member since September 25, 2009 and as its Vice Chairperson since July 12, 2012. He is a diligent and contributing member who is always well prepared to discuss matters on the Testimony on G.M. No. 591 Friday, April 11, 2014 Page 2

Board's agenda. His invaluable participation as the Maui Police Chief has enhanced the effectiveness of the Board.

Since he was appointed, Police Chief Yabuta attended thirty-one of the thirty-five Board meetings conducted by the Board. During the meetings, Police Chief Yabuta participates in discussions and offers valuable recommendations regarding the profession. His contributions have assisted the Board in its decision-making and review of applications and Chief Yabuta was and continues to be an integral part of the licensing of over 9,000 guard employee registrations.

For these reasons, the Department believes that Police Chief Yabuta will continue to contribute to the Board while enhancing the Board's effectiveness.

The Department supports the confirmation of Police Chief Yabuta's reappointment to the Board of Private Detectives and Guards, and thanks you for the opportunity to provide testimony.

## <u>GM591</u> Submitted on: 4/8/2014 Testimony for CPN on Apr 11, 2014 09:00AM in Conference Room 229

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Jeraul S. Pladera	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I support the consideration and confirmation to the Board of Private Detectives and Guards, Gubernatorial Nominee, GARY YABUTA, for a term to expire 6-30-2018. He is an excellent choice as his many years of law enforcement experience would be a benefit to the board as a whole. Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Please note that testimony submitted <u>less than 24 hours prior to the hearing</u>, improperly identified, or directed to the incorrect office, may not be posted online or distributed to the committee prior to the convening of the public hearing.

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I've been a member of the Board of Private Detectives and Guards for the past five years. I am applying for a second and final term.

My role is to objectively regulate the policies and charter of the Private Detectives and Guards industry, pursuant o HRS.

As a board member, we were responsible for developing and administering Act. 208, pertaining to the training and certification of security guards as defined by HRS.

My experience as a Chief of Police for the Maui Police Department and a board member for the past five years qualifies me for this position.

I do not foresee any conflicts as a continuing board member.

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