

# GM747

**Measure Title:** Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Board Of Veterinary Examiners, Gubernatorial Nominee, LEIANNE LEE LOY, for a term to expire 06-30-2019.

**Report Title:** Board Of Veterinary Examiners

**Description:**

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TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON  
COMMERCE, CONSUMER PROTECTION, AND HEALTH

TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE  
Regular Session of 2016  
Wednesday, April 13, 2016  
9:30 a.m.

TESTIMONY ON **GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE NO. 747**, SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO **THE BOARD OF VETERINARY EXAMINERS**, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, **LEIANNE LEE LOY**, FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 6-30-2019.

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

My name is Catherine Awakuni Colón, Director of the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs ("Department"). The Department appreciates the opportunity to provide testimony in support of Governor's Message No. 747, nominating Dr. Leianne Lee Loy for membership on the Board of Veterinary Examiners ("Board") for a term to expire June 30, 2019.

Dr. Lee Loy has 20 years of experience as a veterinarian along with having a strong desire to give back to the community. She has been with VCA University Animal Hospital since 1998, and is currently the medical director. In addition to her work on Oahu,

Dr. Lee Loy frequently visits the Friendly Isle to help the Molokai Humane Society with relief work and population control through their spay and neuter program. She is also familiar with forms of alternative treatment as a certified veterinary acupuncturist and she has expressed an interest in traditional Chinese veterinary medicine.

In addition, Dr. Lee Loy is a member and past president for the Hawaii Veterinary Medical Association and also the Honolulu Veterinary Society. She understands her responsibility to attend and prepare for the Board's quarterly meetings.

Given Dr. Lee Loy's diverse professional experience and previous service on other veterinary boards, the Department believes that she is in a good position to positively contribute to the Board.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit these comments in support of Dr. Lee Loy's nomination to the Board of Veterinary Examiners.

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April 6, 2016

**Ref: Endorsement for Dr. Leianne LeeLoy to serve on the Board of  
Veterinary Examiners**

I would like to endorse Dr. Leianne LeeLoy, to be appointed, as a member to the Board of Veterinary Examiners. She has been very involved with organized veterinary medicine since graduating from veterinary school. She has served as president to the two local veterinary organizations: HVMA - Hawaii Veterinary Medical Association and HVS - Honolulu Veterinary Society. She is currently the Alternate Delegate to the AVMA - American Veterinary Medical Association, representing the Hawaii VMA.

Since graduating from veterinary school she also has continued her educational pursuit by obtaining an MBA and has become a certified veterinary acupuncturist.

As a past member of the Board of Veterinary Examiners (I served as chairman for 7 years) I high recommend Dr. Leianne LeeLoy to be a very good candidate for this position. She will bring a very varied background to this board and would serve with great interest and enthusiasm.

Should you have any questions or concerns. You may call my cell phone or send me a return email.

Sincerely,

*Corbell W. J. Chang D.V.M.*

WRITTEN TESTIMONY OF EARL YAMAMOTO  
BEFORE THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, CONSUMER PROTECTION,  
AND HEALTH

Wednesday, April 13, 2016  
9:30 A.M.  
Room 229

GM 747  
SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION  
TO THE BOARD OF VETERINARY EXAMINERS  
GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE  
LEIANNE LEE LOY  
FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE JUNE 30, 2019

Chair Baker, Vice Chair Kidani and Members of the Committee:

I offer my strong support for the confirmation of Dr. Leianne Lee Loy to the Board of Veterinary Examiners.

As a caregiver to the occasional homeless cat at my place of work in Makiki, I visit Dr. Lee Loy's clinic several times a year, usually on an emergency basis. I have always found Dr. Lee Loy to be an exceptionally caring person. She listens to my description of symptoms, asks questions in plain language, and recommends a medical intervention appropriate to the animal's situation. Her caring attitude helps people like me better able to respond to an animal's needs during life and through death. I respectfully request your favorable consideration of Dr. Lee Loy for the Board of Veterinary Examiners.

Thank you for the opportunity to present my testimony.

April 10, 2016

Dear Senator Roz Baker;

Dr. Leianne Leeloy has worked for me at VCA University Animal Hospital in Manoa for the past 10 years. She has done an exemplary job being an associate veterinarian and the Medical director of this practice. She has recently stepped down from being the Medical Director to have more time to pursue other avenues in her career. One such interest is to serve on the Licensing board for the Veterinarians for the State of Hawai'i. She is currently an Alternate Delegate from Hawai'i for the AVMA. She has also served in the past as the President for the HVMA, which involved many duties including planning the HVMA yearly conference. She is involved in community service as she travels monthly to Molokai to provide services for the pet population on this more isolated island. She takes all her responsibilities very seriously and performs them to the best of her ability. She has my full support for her nomination to serve on the Licensing board for the Hawai'i. You will not regret having her on your team. If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact me at 916-208-2226.

Sincerely,



Dr. Kari Moore  
Diplomate of American College of Veterinary Emergency and Critical Care  
Regional Medical Director for VCA Hospitals

(1) Why do you want to be a member of the Board

My goal is to be the liaison between The Veterinary Community and the people in our Community/State of Hawai'i.

(2) What do you perceive are the roles and responsibilities of a member of the Board?

- a) Ensure that the Veterinary Community practices Standard of Care as directed by the American Veterinary Medical Association
- b) Our Community (humans and animals) receives the care/safety/protection needed from Zoonotic disease
- c) Support the human - animal bond

(3) In what ways do you feel that you can help protect the consumer?

- a) I am a Keiki O Ka Aina and I love my Community - I am a consumer.
- b) I am involved in organized Veterinary Medicine.
- c) Experience in clinical practice
- d) I care for homeless animals

(4) Given your understanding of the roles and responsibilities of a Board member, why do you believe that you are qualified for the position? Please include a brief statement of your skills, expertise and knowledge that would aid you as a member of the Board.

- a) Compassion for the Health and well being of our Community
- b) Compassion for the Health and well being of our Animals
- c) Leadership - Past President of HVMA, HVS. Past Medical Director of VCA University.
- d) Passion for learning
- e) Involved in Community activities

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

I would first like to become familiar with the goal of the current board members.

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

Compassionate  
Experiences  
Diversity

These qualities Benefit the Board by ability to connect, listen and complete a task in a time manner with all the facts.

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

As the President of the HVMA, we were able to pass the requirement for Continuing Education. This was a "win" for the Community, Veterinarians and our patients.

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

I can't think of any conflicts at this time however, it is possible. If this should occur I would do the same thing I do as a Veterinarian in Clinical Practice:

Get a complete history (listen)

Examine the individual (use my senses to familiarize my self with the individual - or topic)

Ask questions

Use diagnostic tools to gather facts

Ask experts if I need clarification

Make a decision.

Thank you!

Submitted by Leianne K Lee Loy