

GM769

Measure Title: Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Board Of Naturopathic Medicine, Gubernatorial Nominee, RODNEY CHUN, for a term to expire 06-30-2020.

Report Title: Board Of Naturopathic Medicine

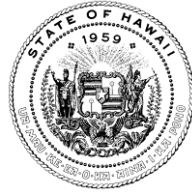
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Wednesday, April 13, 2016
9:30 a.m.

TESTIMONY ON GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE NO. 769.

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

My name is Constance Cabral and I am the Executive Officer for the Board of Naturopathic Medicine, Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs ("Department"). The Department thanks you for the opportunity to testify on Governor's Message No. 769, regarding the **reappointment** of Rodney C.Y. Chun, N.D., to the Board of Naturopathic Medicine ("Board"). The Department supports the confirmation of Dr. Chun's reappointment to the Board.

Dr. Chun is being reappointed as a licensee member. He has been licensed since February 17, 1970, and his license is current, active, and in good standing. Since Dr. Chun's interim appointment, there have been four meetings of which he has attended three.

Having served on the Board since July 1, 2012, Dr. Chun comes to Board meetings well prepared, having read and reviewed all the materials and documents

provided to Board members prior to meetings. As a result, he is able to discuss the business at hand and offer guidance to the Board on issues ranging from parenteral therapy to inquiries regarding naturopathic practices.

Owing to his many years of experience as a practitioner, Dr. Chun is able to participate in discussions relating to complicated issues before the Board. By bringing his knowledge, background and expertise to discussions, he offers a unique perspective and because of this, the Board has had the necessary information and knowledge on which to base its decisions.

The Department believes that Dr. Chun's interest in serving on the Board, his experience in the profession and desire to contribute to the community will continue to enhance the effectiveness of the Board.

The Department supports the confirmation of Rodney C.Y. Chun, N.D., to the Board of Naturopathic Medicine, and thanks you for the opportunity to provide testimony.

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April 11, 2016

Senator Rosalyn H. Baker
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Dear Senator Baker,

I am writing this letter because Dr. Rodney Chun has asked me to provide a character reference on his behalf.

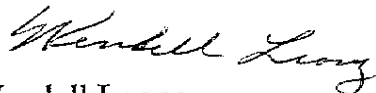
I have known Rodney since the early 1950's. We grew up in a tight knit neighborhood on Nanea Street in McCully. Our years of higher education took us on different paths, and we lost track of each other until early 1990 when our social and business contacts brought us together again. For the past 26 years, we've been co-members of business organizations meeting several times each month and have met social obligations together with our spouses.

Rodney is a dedicated, capable and honest business man. He is a supportive and loyal friend.

I know he will do his best to be fair and honest in any position he is elected to fill.

I can be reached at my email address and or cell phone number listed above.

Sincerely,



Wendell Leong
State Farm Agent, retired

To: Senator Rosalyn Baker
RE: Dr. Rodney Chun

1. Why do you want to be on the board?

I was on the board in the 70's and 80's; this is when the profession was just starting to grow. Now that the profession has grown, I can see where it is going. I see the needs, now we are here and I feel that I can still guide and contribute to this profession.

2. What is the role of the board?

The role of the board is to guide the profession and most importantly it must see that the physicians practice within the rules of the board.

3. How may we protect the consumer?

From my years of experience, I know the parameters and the practices of this profession. I helped to form the outline on the practice to conform to the written law.

4. How do I qualify?

I have been in practice for over 40 years. I graduated with a BS in biology and received my Doctor of Naturopathy degree; started my naturopathic practice in 1969.

5. What to accomplish?

I want to help the public to receive quality care from their physician, and that the physician treat the patient within the guidelines of the written law. I want the physician to practice within the law and to not hurt their patients.

6. 3 qualities of the board

- a. Protect the patient
- b. Make sure the physician practices within the law
- c. Interpret the law

7. What is the experience of the Board Member?

My first concern is the welfare of the patient. (Is he/she receiving the right care). My second concern is whether the physician is practicing within the law.

8. Conflict of interest

I don't feel I have any conflict of interest.