

GM 738



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DAVID Y. IGE
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Testimony of
David Y. Ige
Governor, State of Hawai'i

Before the
SENATE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND ENVIRONMENT
April 12, 2019
1:15 p.m., Room 224

In consideration of
GM 738 Scott Glenn
as the
Director of the Office of Environmental Quality Control
Department of Health

Chair Gabbard, Vice Chair Ruderman and committee members:

I respectfully request your support in confirming the appointment of Scott Glenn as the director of the Office of Environmental Quality Control (OEQC).

Scott was first appointed as the director of OEQC in October 2015 and has led the office in updating the administrative rules for state environmental reviews and represented Hawai'i's commitment to the Paris Climate Change Agreement in national and international events. He is also the co-chair of the Sustainable Hawai'i Initiative and liaison to the U.S. Climate Alliance, working on environmental, climate change, energy, and sustainability issues with his counterparts throughout the U.S. and the world. Scott earned a bachelor's degree in philosophy and classical archaeology from the University of Evansville and a master's degree in urban and regional planning from the University of Hawai'i at Mānoa.

My administration is committed to reshaping the culture of government by embracing and accelerating change. I am confident that Scott Glenn will continue to support our employees in the Office of Environmental Quality Control in this effort. Moving forward together, we can build a better home for our keiki, kūpuna, and all the residents of Hawai'i.

Mahalo for your consideration.

WRITTEN TESTIMONY BY
RODERICK K. BECKER

TO THE
SENATE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND ENVIRONMENT

GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE NO. 738

April 12, 2019
1:15 p.m.
Room 224

SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO THE DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY CONTROL, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, SCOTT GLENN, FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 06-30-2012.

Chair Gabbard, Vice Chair Ruderman and Members of the Committee:

I strongly support the appointment of Scott Glenn to the position of director of the department of office of environmental quality control.

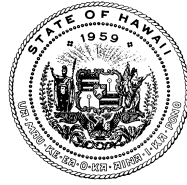
I currently work with Scott in my capacity as director of finance and previously as the state comptroller. In these capacities, I have had the opportunity to work with Scott on various issues.

As the head of the office charged with responsibilities under the State's environmental impact statement law, Scott has been effective in providing agencies with a good understanding of the intent and requirements of the law. His insights have been relied upon for the completion of thorough and well-executed environmental impact statements for significant state projects.

Scott understands that the quality of our environment is vitally important to the welfare of the people of Hawaii and has played a key and effective role in the State's efforts to maintain the quality of our environment and protect our natural resources.

Scott is highly qualified and well suited to continue leading the office of environmental quality control. Therefore, I highly recommend that he be confirmed as the director.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.



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Testimony in SUPPORT of GM738
Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Director of the Office of
Environmental Quality Control, Gubernatorial Nominee, SCOTT GLENN, for a term to
expire 06-30-2023.

SENATOR MIKE GABBARD, CHAIR
SENATE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND ENVIRONMENT

Hearing Date: April 12, 2019

Room Number: 224

1 **Fiscal Implications:** N/A.

2 **Department Testimony:** The Department of Health (DOH) supports the nomination of Mr.
3 Glenn for Director of the Office of Environmental Quality Control (OEQC).

4 In his first term at OEQC, Mr. Glenn committed to a long overdue overhaul of administrative
5 rules governing Environmental Assessments and Environmental Impact Statements. In 2019,
6 those rules are nearing promulgation, and based on public feedback are well received. This is a
7 significant accomplishment and demonstrates the focus, dedication, and collegial approach for
8 which Mr. Glenn is known.

9 His private sector accomplishments and international experience, along with a dedication to
10 public service, make Mr. Glenn uniquely qualified to lead OEQC. The Department of Health
11 looks forward to continued work with Scott on progressive environmental justice issues.

12 Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of GM738.

13 **Offered Amendments:** N/A.

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TESTIMONY OF JAMES J. NAKATANI
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BEFORE THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND
ENVIRONMENT

Friday, April 12, 2019
1:15 PM

GM 738 - Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Director of the Office of Environmental Quality Control, Gubernatorial Nominee, SCOTT GLENN, for a term to expire 06-30-2023.

Aloha Chair Gabbard and Members of the Committee,

The Agribusiness Development Corporation (“ADC”) supports Mr. Scott Glenn’s appointment as the Director of the Office of Environmental Quality Control (OEQC).

Mr. Glenn is well qualified to be confirmed as the Director of the OEQC. He has served with distinction as the Director during Governor Ige’s prior term. Additionally, his background in asset management, environmental planning and compliance, environmental review, and climate change adaptation planning provide him the tools to effectively manage the unique projects that OEQC encounters. For these reasons, we respectfully ask for your support of Mr. Glenn’s appointment to serve as the Director of the Office of Environmental Quality Control.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

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Re: GM 738 SCOTT GLENN

Mr. Chairman and Members of the Committee, my name is Linda Chu Takayama, Director of Taxation, and I offer this testimony in strong support of Scott Glenn's confirmation as the Director of the Office of Environmental Quality Control.

It has been my privilege to work with Scott since I joined this Administration nearly 4 years ago. It is my observation that he has the passion, competence and energy for this challenging position. Furthermore, he has been unhesitating in taking on difficult assignments when needed and completing them with excellence.

I look forward to continuing to work with him and urge your favorable consideration of his nomination.

Thank you.

DAVID Y. IGE
GOVERNOR



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WRITTEN TESTIMONY
OF
CURT T. OTAGURO, COMPTROLLER
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TO THE
SENATE COMMITTEE
ON
AGRICULTURE AND ENVIRONMENT

APRIL 5, 2019, 1:15 P.M.
CONFERENCE ROOM 224, STATE CAPITOL

G.M. 738
SUBMITTING FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION AS THE
DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY CONTROL,
GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, SCOTT GLENN, FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 06-30-23

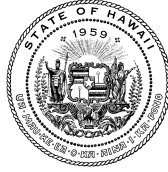
Chair Gabbard, Vice Chair Ruderman and Members of the Committee, thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony on G.M. 738. I support the nomination of Mr. Glenn to the position of Director of the Office of Environmental Quality Control (OEQC).

Mr. Glenn has served as Director of OEQC since November 2015. Previously, he worked as an environmental planner at Cardno where he has worked since 2010. In addition, as a volunteer Mr. Glenn has served as Vice Chair and Chair for the Sierra Club Hawaii Chapter as well as the State Environmental Council.

Mr. Glenn has a masters degree in urban and regional planning from the University of Hawaii and is a member of the American Institute of Certified Planners. His work experience, volunteer service and education makes him an ideal candidate to continue to serve as Director of OEQC.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this matter.

DAVID Y. IGE
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TESTIMONY
OF
AUDREY HIDANO, DEPUTY COMPTROLLER
DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND GENERAL SERVICES
TO THE
SENATE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND ENVIRONMENT
ON
FRIDAY, APRIL 12, 2019, 1:15 PM
CONFERENCE ROOM 224, STATE CAPITOL
G.M. 738

SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO THE DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY CONTROL, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, **SCOTT GLENN**, FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 06-30-2023.

Chair Gabbard, Vice Chair Ruderman, and members of the Committee, thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony on G.M. 738. I support the nomination of **MR. SCOTT GLENN** to the position of Director of the Office of Environmental Quality Control.

As Director of the Office of Environmental Quality Control (OEQC), Mr. Glenn has been most helpful in several of the projects that we've worked together on. He always has solutions and/or suggestions to move things forward. Appreciate his knowledge and helpfulness and will be as asset as the Director of OEQC.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony on this matter.

DAVID Y. IGE
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April 8, 2019

To: The Honorable Mike Gabbard, Chair,
The Honorable Russell E. Ruderman, Vice Chair, and
Members of the Senate Committee on Agriculture and Environment

Date: Friday, April 12, 2019

Time: 1:15 p.m.

Place: Conference Room 224, State Capitol

From: Scott T. Murakami, Director
Department of Labor and Industrial Relations (DLIR)

Re: G.M. No. 738 Submitting for consideration and confirmation as the Director of the Office of Environmental Quality Control, Gubernatorial Nominee, SCOTT GLENN

Chair Gabbard, Vice Chair Ruderman, and Members of the Committee,

My name is Scott T. Murakami, and I am the Director of the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations. I am testifying in strong support of Governor's Message 738, Gubernatorial Nominee, Scott Glenn, as the Director of the Office of Environmental Quality Control (OEQC).

Mr. Glenn has demonstrated that he has the leadership and experience to serve as the Director of the OEQC. As the Director, Mr. Glenn administers the Environmental Impact Statements' law, advises decision makers of the environmental review process, and serves as the Governor's advisor on all matters relating to environmental quality control. In addition, Mr. Glenn serves as the State's liaison to the U.S. Climate Alliance where he works with other experts from across the country on environmental, climate change, energy, and sustainability issues. Overall, Mr. Glenn's work in environmental planning show his understanding of working towards innovative goals as well as collaborating with stakeholders to address environmental-related issues affecting the State.

I urge you to confirm Mr. Glenn to serve as the Director of the OEQC so that he may continue to provide leadership and service to the public.

Thank you very much for the opportunity to testify in support of Mr. Glenn.

DAVID Y. IGE
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April 8, 2019

TESTIMONY TO THE
SENATE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND ENVIRONMENT
For Hearing on Friday, April 12, 2019
1:15 p.m., Conference Room 224

By

RYKER WADA
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Governor's Message 738
(WRITTEN TESTIMONY ONLY)

Dear Chair Gabbard, Vice-Chair Ruderman and Members of the Committee on Agriculture and Environment

RE: Consideration and confirmation of Scott Glenn as Director for the Office of Environmental Quality Control.

I submit this testimony in **Strong Support** of the confirmation of Scott Glenn as Director for the Office of Environmental Quality Control. I have had the opportunity to work with Mr. Glenn over the past two years as Director. I have found him to be a dedicated, knowledgeable, measured and a well-prepared person who is well suited for the position as Director for the Office of Environmental Quality Control.

I support the confirmation of Mr. Scott Glenn as Director for the Office of Environmental Quality Control

Thank you for allowing me to testify in **SUPPORT** of Governor's Message 738 and Scott Glenn.



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before the
SENATE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND ENVIRONMENT

Friday, April 12, 2019
1:15 p.m.
State Capitol, Conference Room 224

in consideration of
GM 738
**Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Director of the
Office of Environmental Quality Control, Gubernatorial Nominee,
SCOTT GLENN, for a term to expire 6-30-2023.**

Chair Gabbard, Vice Chair Ruderman and Members of the Committee.

I **support** the appointment of **Scott Glenn** to serve as the Director of the Office of Environmental Quality Control.

Since October 2015, Mr. Glenn has been the Director of the Office of Environmental Quality Control (QEQC) where he oversees a team of four and works with a 15-member advisory board. In his role, Glenn works to ensure that environmental concerns are considered in the decision-making process while considering economic and technical concerns. The QEQC also provides advice on all matters of environmental quality control. Continuing as the director will ensure continuity of mission and advocacy for the State's environmental initiatives.

For these reasons, I urge his confirmation as the Director of the Office of Environmental Quality Control.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

DAVID Y. IGE
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**Testimony of
SUZANNE CASE
Chairperson**

**Before the Senate Committee on
AGRICULTURE AND ENVIRONMENT**

**Friday, April 12, 2019
1:15 PM
State Capitol, Conference Room 224**

**GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE 738
SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION
AS THE DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY CONTROL
GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, SCOTT GLENN,
FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2023**

The Department of Land and Natural Resources (Department) expresses its strong support for the confirmation of Scott Glen to serve as the Director of the Office of Environmental Quality Control (OEQC) for a term to expire on June 30, 2023.

Mr. Glenn has served as the Director of OEQC for the past four years and during that time the Department has developed an excellent working relationship with Mr. Glenn and OEQC. Mr. Glenn has participated in various initiatives, including participating in the World Conservation Congress, held in Honolulu in 2016, the Interagency Climate Adaption Committee, as well as being an invaluable partner in addressing environmental quality in the use of state lands.

During his tenure as Director, Mr. Glenn, with the Environmental Council has accomplished the herculean task of updating the Environmental Impact Statement rules (Hawaii Administrative Rules §11-200). The rules have gone out to public hearings and are in the final stages of being prepared for the Governor's signature.

The Department believes that Mr. Glenn possesses a solid understanding of environmental policies and issues, along with the leadership and communication skills that are essential, and as such, the Department strongly supports the nomination and appointment of Mr. Scott Glenn to the Director of OEQC.

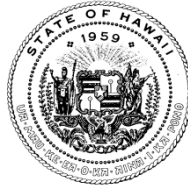
Thank you for this opportunity to testify on Governor's Message 738.

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April 12, 2019
1:15 p.m.
State Capitol, Room 224

G.M. 738

Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Director of the Office of Environmental Quality Control, Gubernatorial Nominee, SCOTT GLENN, for a term to expire 06-30-2023.

Senate Committee on Agriculture and Environment

The Department of Transportation (DOT) **strongly supports** Scott Glenn to the Office of Environmental Quality Control.

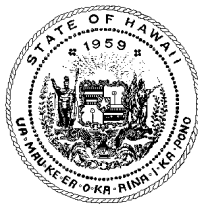
Mr. Glenn earned his B.A. in philosophy and classical archaeology from the University of Evansville and a Masters degree in Urban and Regional Planning from the University of Hawaii and is a member of the American Institute of Certified Planners.

Mr. Glenn has been tasked to provide advice and assistance regarding Hawaii Revised Statutes Chapter 343 to government agencies like the Department of Transportation, private industry and community groups, conducting research, legislative initiatives, public outreach, and recommending programs for the long-range implementation of environmental quality control.

It's our opinion that, despite these challenges, he has done his job exceptionally well and the DOT humbly requests the opportunity to work with him again.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.

DAVID Y. IGE
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WRITTEN TESTIMONY ONLY

TESTIMONY ON GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE 738
SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION AS
DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY CONTROL,
GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE SCOTT GLENN.

by

Nolan P. Espinda, Director
Department of Public Safety

Senate Committee on Agriculture and Environment
Senator Mike Gabbard, Chair
Senator Russell E. Ruderman, Vice Chair

Friday, April 12, 2019; 1:15 p.m.
State Capitol, Conference Room 224

Chair Gabbard, Vice Chair Ruderman, and Members of the Committee:

The Department of Public Safety (PSD) supports Governor Ige's nomination of Scott Glenn as the Director of the Office of Environmental Quality Control (OEQC).

Mr. Glenn has ably served as OEQC Director since 2016, modernizing the State's environmental review administrative rules, which has been welcomed by stakeholders on all sides. He has earned the reputation as a consensus-builder, balancing the difficult issues concerning Hawaii's sensitive environment, climate change, renewable energy, and sustainability. These issues are more important now than ever before, and Mr. Glenn's leadership at OEQC are key to Hawaii's response to and collaboration on local, national, and international initiatives in these areas.

For these reasons, PSD supports Mr. Glenn's confirmation to continue serving as OEQC Director.

Thank you for the opportunity to present this testimony.

DAVID Y. IGE
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**TESTIMONY OF JOBIE M. K. MASAGATANI, CHAIRMAN
HAWAIIAN HOMES COMMISSION
BEFORE THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND ENVIRONMENT
HEARING ON APRIL 12, 2019 AT 1:15PM IN CR 224**

IN SUPPORT OF

GM738

for consideration and confirmation as the Director of the Office of Environmental Quality Control,
Gubernatorial Nominee, **SCOTT GLENN**,
for a term to expire 06-30-2023

April 12, 2019

Aloha Chair Gabbard, Vice Chair Ruderman, and members of the Committee:

We provide this testimony in support of Governor Ige's nomination of Scott Glenn as the Director of the Office of Environmental Quality Control (OEQC).

Mr. Glenn does not take the environment for granted. Nor does he think that his office is just to review data in environmental assessments or impact statements, for the sake of process. His depth of involvement in an update of administrative rules called for extensive public outreach, and four working drafts, before taking a final draft to public hearing. As climate change is a critical concern in our Hawaii, Governor Ige designated Mr. Glenn to be the Co-Chair of the Sustainable Hawaii Initiative, and liaison to the U.S. Climate Alliance working with others nationally and internationally. Recent presentations, such as "Sustainable Development in Hawaii", in Jeju, Korea, 2018; and "Planning for Climate Change in Hawaii" to the American Planning Association National Conference in New York, 2017, attest to his capacity.

We respectfully ask your committee to advise and consent to this nomination, and we thank you for your consideration of our testimony.

Testimony for
Committee on Agriculture and Environment

Friday, April 12, 2019, 1:15 p.m. Room 224

Senator Mike Gabbard, Chair
Senator Russell E. Ruderman, Vice Chair

GM 738 Director of OEQC, Scott Glenn

Dear Chair Gabbard and Members of the Committee:

This testimony is in STRONG SUPPORT of GM 738 that submits for confirmation Scott Glenn as Director of the Office of Environmental Quality Control (OEQC). He has brought to the OEQC office strength of character, organizational ability, fairness, transparency in process, consensus building, sense of humor, and brought forth a reorganization of HRS Chapter 343. An incredibly complicated, time consuming task that had supporters from all sides of issues.

I am Lynn McCrory, Senior Vice President of Government Affairs for Pulama Lanai. Pulama Lanai is the entity that was set up by Larry Ellison to work with the community and government as we move the island of Lanai toward sustainability. I was a member of the Board of Land & Natural Resources for 8 years and have seen my share of environmental reports, besides having produced a number of reports for review of Lānaʻi projects.

OEQC is an integral part of the economic development of our State. Community members and developers have to believe that there is an equality in the review of environmental reports. They have to believe that what is asked by OEQC matches what is needed to protect our environment for our future generations. Scott has done this. He has worked with the multiple communities in our State and brought together community members with varying positions to get agreements that all could accept. You don't get better than that.

We humbly ask that you confirm GM 738, Scott Glenn. Mahalo!

Me ke aloha pumehana
With warm aloha,

Lynn P. McCrory
Senior Vice President of Government Affairs



**TESTIMONY TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND ENVIRONMENT
State Capitol, Conference Room 224
415 South Beretania Street
1:15 PM**

April 12, 2019

RE: GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE NO. 738, CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO THE DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY CONTROL, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, SCOTT GLENN

Chair Gabbard, Vice Chair Rudeman, and members of the committee:

My name is Gladys Quinto-Marrone, CEO of the Building Industry Association of Hawaii (BIA-Hawaii). Chartered in 1955, the Building Industry Association of Hawaii is a professional trade organization affiliated with the National Association of Home Builders, representing the building industry and its associates. BIA-Hawaii takes a leadership role in unifying and promoting the interests of the industry to enhance the quality of life for the people of Hawaii. Our members build the communities we all call home.

BIA-Hawaii is in **support** of the confirmation of Mr. Scott Glenn as the Director of the Office of Environmental Quality Control (OEQC).

Under Mr. Glenn's leadership, OEQC undertook a enormous task of updating the Administrative Rules. Over time, amendments to Chapter 343 HRS without significant updates to the Administrative Rules had created some confusion on implementing the intent of the statutes. Mr. Glenn has been able to navigate a path, and successfully found common ground among the various stakeholders resulting in the much-needed update of the Administrative Rules.

Mr. Glenn's demeanor, objectivity and professionalism in how he conducts himself and manages the Office should also be recognized. We are in strong support of the confirmation of Mr. Scott Glenn as the Director of the Office of Environmental Quality Control (OEQC).

We appreciate the opportunity provide our comments on GM No. 738.

GM-738

Submitted on: 4/6/2019 4:14:31 PM

Testimony for AEN on 4/12/2019 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Dylan P. Armstrong	Testifying for Oahu County Committee, Oahu County Democrats	Support	No

Comments:

The Oahu County Committee of the Oahu County Democrats are writing in proud support of the re-confirmation of SCOTT GLENN to be the Director of the Office of Environmental Quality Control. Mr. Glenn has served the State of Hawaii capably for several years in this position, after a career in the private sector.

Mr. Glenn's contributions to the Office, as the first career Planner to Director the Office, have included the expansion of the state's measurements for environmental and economic well-being, and redefined policy positions for a 21st century Administration in a time of dangerous climate climate and imperiled Hawaiian ecosystems. Mr. Glenn is well-qualified educationally, experientially, and intellectual, to continue to promote environmental progress and management, as attached to the Department of Health at OEQC.

The Oahu County Democrats are proud to offer testimony in support of Mr. Glenn's confirmation to to the Directorship, where he can continue to serve the people of Hawaii.

Regards,
Dylan P. Armstrong, Vice Chair
Oahu County Committee

GM-738

Submitted on: 4/8/2019 6:25:18 AM

Testimony for AEN on 4/12/2019 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Alan Gottlieb	Testifying for Hawaii Cattlemen's Council	Support	No

Comments:



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April 12, 2019

HEARING BEFORE THE
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TESTIMONY ON GM 738

Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Director of the Office of Environmental Quality Control, gubernatorial nominee, SCOTT GLENN.

Room 224
1:15 PM

Aloha Chair Gabbard, Vice Chair Ruderman, and Members of the Committee:

I am Brian Miyamoto, Executive Director of the Hawaii Farm Bureau (HFB). Organized since 1948, the HFB is comprised of 1,900 farm family members statewide, and serves as Hawaii's voice of agriculture to protect, advocate and advance the social, economic and educational interests of our diverse agricultural community.

The Hawaii Farm Bureau strongly supports the confirmation of Scott Glenn to continue as Director of the Office of Environmental Quality Control.

HFB has had the opportunity to work with Scott Glenn in his capacity as Director of the OEQC. We have found him to be exceptionally dedicated, honest, and fair in his handling of the many issues tackled by the OEQC and the Environmental Council.

As a farmer-based organization, HFB appreciates Mr. Glenn's commitment to addressing environmental issues and their impact on the State. He recognizes the vital importance of Hawaii's natural resources along with the need for our state to become more self-sustaining through a healthy agricultural sector. Hawaii's farmers and ranchers are in many cases the chief stewards of our natural resources, and they rely upon the land, the water, and the air, for their livelihoods.

HFB looks forward to working with Mr. Glenn as Hawaii's producers strive to move our state closer to food self-sufficiency, ever mindful of the public trust resources we steward and rely upon.

Thank you for the opportunity to offer our strong support for Mr. Glenn.

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GM-738

Submitted on: 4/11/2019 6:40:54 PM

Testimony for AEN on 4/12/2019 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Makaala Kaaumoana	Testifying for Hanalei Watershed Hui	Support	No

Comments:

Aloha Chair Gabbard and committee members, we strongly support the nomination of Scott Glenn as Director of the Office of Environmental Control.

His thoughtful and dedicated leadership of this office provides both the public and government an open process that respects the unique Hawaii perspective and advances Hawaii's priorities.

His knowledge of Hawaii Revised Statutes Chapter 343 serves the environment and people of Hawaii with intelligence and compassion.

Please support his confirmation to continue his good work.



Testimony to the Senate Committee on Agriculture & Environment

Friday, April 12, 2019 1:15 p.m.

Conference Room 224, State Capitol

RE: GM 738 –Director of the Office of the Environmental Quality Control, Scott Glenn, for a term to expire at noon on 06-30-2023

Chair Gabbard, Vice Chair Ruderman and Members of the Agriculture & Environment Committee

I respectfully submit my **strong support for the consideration and confirmation of Scott Glenn** as the **Director of the Office of Environmental Quality Control (OEQC)**, and provide the following **comments**:

Mr. Glenn is an excellent choice to lead this office. He is well qualified for this role having served in varying leadership and technical roles as the current Director of OEQC and previously in the private sector leading and consulting on matters of environmental planning.

Mr. Glenn has improved governance of OEQC and elevated the state’s commitment to reducing greenhouse gas emissions in line with the Paris Climate agreement and several key sustainability initiatives. In his capacity as OEQC Director, he led an innovative and inclusive rule-making to provide clarity and balance to addressing environmental and development matters in our state. Through this collaborative engagement with stakeholders on all sides, and by providing access to four working drafts prior to submitting an official draft for public hearing, OEQC was able to produce a significant update to its administrative rules.

For these reasons, I humbly urge your support for the confirmation of Mr. Glenn.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

Sincerely,

Jeannine Souki
Director, Government Affairs and Corporate Communication

GM-738

Submitted on: 4/1/2019 12:39:19 PM

Testimony for AEN on 4/12/2019 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
genevieve salmonson	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Statement of
Mary Alice Evans

before the
SENATE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND ENVIRONMENT

Friday, April 12, 2019
1:15 p.m.
State Capitol, Conference Room 224

in consideration of
GM 738
Submitting for consideration and confirmation as the Director of the Office of Environmental Quality Control, Gubernatorial Nominee, SCOTT GLENN, for a term to expire 06-30-2023.

Chair Gabbard, Vice Chair Ruderman and Members of the Committee.

I respectfully urge your **strong support** for the confirmation of **Scott Glenn** to continue to serve as the Director of the Office of Environmental Quality Control.

I have had the pleasure of working with Scott as a planner and as the current Director of the Office of Environmental Quality Control. Scott is a knowledgeable, thoughtful leader who cares about protecting Hawaii's environment. He has taken on the challenge of updating the Rules for Chapter 343, which govern disclosure of potential impacts to natural and cultural resources that may result from proposed development projects. He has worked with a wide variety of stakeholders to craft rules that clarify the process so that citizens, both proponents and opponents, will know exactly how, when and what must be disclosed.

I respectfully urge your favorable consideration of the nomination of Scott Glenn to serve as Director of the Office of Environmental Quality Control.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

GM-738

Submitted on: 4/5/2019 5:30:29 PM

Testimony for AEN on 4/12/2019 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Charles Prentiss	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I strongly urge your support for the re-appointment of Scott Glenn as the director of OEQC. I have been a member of the Environmental Council for a total of 12 years, appointed by three different Governors, and over that time I have worked with five OEQC directors. Scott has proven to be not only a person of high intellect but the most knowledgeable of environment laws, procedures and issues of anyone I have met. He is also a very hard worker who works many extra hours and gets along extremely well with colleagues and the public. The State would be very fortunate to have Scott continue as OEQC director.

GM-738

Submitted on: 4/9/2019 7:10:22 AM

Testimony for AEN on 4/12/2019 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Lynette Marushige	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

WRITTEN TESTIMONY BY
ROBERT YU

TO THE
SENATE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE AND ENVIRONMENT

GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE NO. 738

April 12, 2019

1:15 p.m.

Room 224

SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO THE DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY CONTROL, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, SCOTT GLENN, FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 06-30-2023.

Chair Gabbard, Vice Chair Ruderman and Members of the Committee:

I strongly support the appointment of Scott Glenn to the position of Director of the Office of Environmental Quality Control (OEQC). I am working with Mr. Glenn in my professional capacity as Deputy Director of Finance.

Governor Ige's administration is committed to addressing the many issues facing our state in a direct and forthright manner. We strive to do the right thing, the right way to achieve our shared goal of a healthy, sustainable economy to support our keiki, our kupuna, and the disadvantaged.

Mr. Glenn is an integral part of a team that is committed to achieving the goals of this administration in an honest, transparent, accountable, and responsive manner.

Mr. Glenn has been serving as the director of OEQC since November 2015. His work experience will benefit OEQC and the State; therefore, I support confirmation.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.

GM-738

Submitted on: 4/9/2019 9:39:49 PM

Testimony for AEN on 4/12/2019 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Michelle Matson	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

I fully support Scott Glenn continuing as the Director of the Office of Environmental Quality Control.

April 9, 2019

The State Senate Committee on Agriculture and Environment
30th Legislature, 2019 Hearing scheduled Friday, April 12th at 1:15 PM
Conference Room 224, State Capitol, 415 South Beretania Street, Honolulu, HI

TO: Chair, Senator Mike Gabbard sengabbard@capitol.hawaii.gov
Vice Chair, Senator Russell E. Ruderman senruderman@capitol.hawaii.gov

**RE: Testimony in support of GM 738 Scott Glenn
as Director of the Office of Environmental Quality Control**

Aloha Chair, Vice Chair and Committee Members:

I strongly endorse Scott Glenn, GM 738, to continue his great work and leadership as the Director of the Office of Environmental Quality Control (OEQC).

Mr. Glenn has led significant positive change in the OEQC and in the quality of *The Environmental Notice* which has improved transparency and environmental decision-making. These changes better inform the public and create opportunities for them to share and contribute to the process, ultimately leading to decisions that are more acceptable to the public.

Scott has deftly facilitated the first major rule change in our State's environmental review process in two decades – since before cell phones were ubiquitous! While the public may appreciate a more tech-friendly information dissemination approach; consultants, regulators, and private developers can benefit from having a more efficient avenue for communications (email, digital media) that would save time and money. These changes will help increase understanding to make better, more durable decisions based on factual information and cogent impact analysis.

Scott's has an open, disarming demeanor and a willingness to genuinely listen to others. This includes accepting opposing opinions and incorporating their merits into a larger framework and approach to create value to decision makers. Mr. Glenn understands the process, law, rules and its nuances from a business, government, academic and non-government organization perspective because he has worked in all these capacities with environmental review.

I firmly support his appointment and applaud the Governor for appointing a leader *that is well-versed in the topic*. Mahalo for your time and consideration!



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Testimony of Puananionaona P. Thoene
before the **SENATE COMMITTEE ON**
AGRICULTURE AND ENVIRONMENT

Friday, April 12, 2019
1:15 pm
State Capitol, Conference Room 224

in **SUPPORT** of
GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE (GM) 738
SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND
CONFIRMATION OF **SCOTT GLENN** AS
DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL
QUALITY CONTROL

April 10, 2019

Aloha e Chair Gabbard, Vice Chair Ruderman, and Members of the Senate Committee on Agriculture and Environment,

I strongly support GM 738, re-appointing Mr. Scott Glenn as the Director of the Office of Environmental Quality Control (OEQC) for a term to expire on June 30, 2023.

I am the current Chair of the Environmental Council (Council), however, I submit this testimony in support of GM 738 in my individual capacity. Since becoming a member of the Council in November 2016, I have been lucky to work with Mr. Glenn. Mr. Glenn's leadership and knowledge has been absolutely instrumental in the Council's efforts and ability to complete rulemaking to update the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) rules, Hawai'i Administrative Rules Title 11, Chapter 200. He conceptualized and implemented a consultation process for the rules update that was like no other.

Mr. Glenn is an effective leader as demonstrated by his ability to lead both the OEQC and Council through an especially involved rulemaking process. In addition to Mr. Glenn's public sector experience, he also worked for years in the private sector, giving him invaluable insight into different viewpoints that the OEQC deals with on a daily basis. His vast experience with the HRS Chapter 343 process, as a member of the Council, OEQC Director, Co-Chair of the Sustainable Hawai'i Initiative, and liaison to the U.S. Climate Alliance make him the right person to continue to lead the OEQC. It is no surprise that Mr. Glenn is highly respected within the community and valued as a member of the State's executive branch.

For these reasons, I strongly support GM 738 and ask that this Committee please confirm Mr. Glenn's re-appointment as Director of the OEQC.

Mahalo for this opportunity to testify on this matter and for your consideration,



Puananionaona P. Thoene

GM-738

Submitted on: 4/11/2019 10:38:51 AM

Testimony for AEN on 4/12/2019 1:15:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
J Ashman	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

Testimony to the Senate Committee on
Agriculture and Environment

The Thirtieth Legislature
Regular Session of 2019

Friday, April 12, 2019
1:15 p.m.

Testimony on **Governor's Message No. 738**, Submitting for Consideration and Confirmation as the **Director of the Office of Environmental Quality Control**, Gubernatorial Nominee, **Scott Glenn**, for a Term to Expire on June 30, 2023.

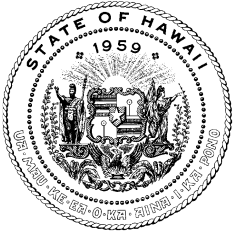
To the Honorable Mike Gabbard, Chair, the Honorable Russell E. Ruderman, Vice Chair, and Members of the Committee:

My name is Catherine Awakuni Colón, and I am writing in **support** of the appointment of Scott Glenn to serve as the Director of the Office of Environmental Quality Control, for a term to expire on June 30, 2023.

Over the last four years, I have had the opportunity to work with Mr. Glenn on matters relating to energy and climate change. During that process, I observed Mr. Glenn to be calm, thoughtful, and collaborative in his approach to his work. Through his quiet leadership, Mr. Glenn has demonstrated he possesses the intellect, skills, and tenacity needed to not only lead the Office of Environmental Quality Control, but to assist in leading the State's environmental policy discussions as well.

I firmly believe Mr. Glenn will continue to be a valued and highly productive member of Governor Ige's cabinet, and respectfully request that you recommend approval of his nomination as Director of the Office of Environmental Quality Control.

Thank you for the opportunity to support G.M. No. 738. I would be pleased to respond to any questions that you may have.



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April 8, 2019

The Honorable Senator Mike Gabbard
Chair, Senate Committee on Agriculture and Environment
Hawai'i State Capitol, Room 201
415 South Beretania St.
Honolulu, HI 96813
Electronic Delivery via sengabbard@capitol.hawaii.gov

SUBJECT: Questions Concerning the Appointment to Serve as Director of the Office of Environmental Quality Control

Aloha e Senator Gabbard,

Mahalo for your questions regarding Governor Ige re-appointing me to serve a second term to expire on June 30, 2023 as the Director of the Office of Environmental Quality Control. Please find below responses to the questions.

(1) Why do you wish to be the Director of the Office of Environmental Quality Control?

Serving as the OEQC Director has been a tremendous honor and opportunity to serve the people of Hawai'i. I would like to continue to serve in this capacity for the following reasons:

- Complete the rules update;
- Apply a consistent understanding of the new rules across the state;
- Develop guidance and training for the new rules;
- Advance Hawai'i's global leadership on climate policy; and
- Address Hawai'i's challenges on environmental/sustainability issues through collaboration and consensus-building.

(2) How do you perceive the role and responsibilities of the Director of the Office of Environmental Quality Control?

The OEQC Director is responsible for administering the state environmental review process, advising the Governor and Legislature on matters concerning environmental quality control, work with and support the Environmental Council in its mission, and more generally to be a resource for anyone with concerns about the environment. The Director manages a staff of three professionals and one secretary and sits in several boards as an *ex officio* member. Much of the Director's role is focused on advising, legislative review, public engagement, and research.

(3) Given your understanding of the role and responsibilities of the Office of Environmental Quality Control, why do you believe that you are qualified for the position? Please include a brief statement

of your skills, expertise, or knowledge that would aid in your decision-making ability as the Director of the Office of Environmental Quality Control.

Having served in the position for about three years, I have demonstrated skill in collaboration and consensus building, rule writing, planning, and managing; expertise in the environmental review process and climate policy; and knowledge of the interdisciplinary issues of planning, climate, and sustainability.

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

If I were to serve a second term, I would seek to issue guidance and conduct training on the new rules; advance Hawai'i's climate policy and governance; and build consensus on modernizing Hawai'i's environmental review process at the statutory level.

(5) Name three qualities that best describe you and that would make you stand out. How would these qualities benefit the Office of Environmental Quality Control?

Three qualities that I can bring to the OEQC are the ability to accomplish goals in a resource-constrained environment, build consensus on matters involving environment and development, and modernize government systems.

(6) Name one previous experience that would make you stand out. How would this benefit the Office of Environmental Quality Control?

As a consultant prior to entering government, I have direct experience in writing environmental impact statements, environmental assessments, and exemption notices; writing scopes of work for conducting them; managing teams doing impact studies; and producing the documents on time and under budget. In working with agencies, applicants, and consultants, I understand the context of their questions and am able to advise them informed by my private sector experience and experience as OEQC Director.

(7) Can you foresee any possible conflicts of interests that could arise during your service at the Office of Environmental Quality Control? How would you overcome any possible conflicts of interest?

It is unlikely that conflicts of interest would arise during a second term as the OEQC Director. During my first time, conflicts were rare and in an abundance of caution, I recused myself from the matter entirely and delegated the matter to the senior planner in the office or to the Director of Health.

Thank you for your consideration of my appointment. I am available should you have any follow up questions at 808-586-4185 or scott.glenn@doh.hawaii.gov.

Sincerely,

