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### **Senator Kahele Hosts Education Forum**

WAIAKEA, BIG ISLAND -- Senator Gilbert Kahele will be hosting an Education Forum, featuring the Hawai'i County's State Board of Education (BOE) Vice-Chairman, Brian De Lima, on **Friday, December 2, 2011, beginning at 5:30 p.m.** It will take place at the **Waiakea High School Cafeteria (155 W. Kawili Street).**

De Lima, who is among nine members who were appointed by the governor to the newly formed BOE earlier this year, will give an update on current Board of Education issues followed by a question and answer session with the audience.

"This forum is an opportunity for constituents to express their concerns regarding issues surrounding our state education system," said Senator Gilbert Kahele, who represents District 2. "This is a chance for residents to engage in a thoughtful discussion with Mr. De Lima."

### **Education Forum with Board of Education Member**

Brian J. De Lima (Vice Chairman, Hawai'i County)

Friday, December 2, 2011

5:30 p.m.

Waiakea High School Cafeteria

155 W. Kawili Street

### **Background:**

Act 5, which was signed into law by the governor on March 14, 2011, gives the governor the authority to  
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appoint nine members, which would consist of: one member from the County of Hawai'i, one member from the County of Maui, one member from the County of Kaua'i, three members from the City and County of Honolulu, and three at-large-members; provided that the governor select an at-large member as the chairperson.

Voters in the 2010 General Election approved a constitutional amendment calling for an appointed, rather than elected, Board of Education.

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