

**Testimony of the State Boxing Commission of Hawaii**

**Before the  
Senate Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection  
Friday, March 21, 2025  
9:30 a.m.  
Conference Room 229 and Videoconference**

**On the following measure:  
G.M. 515, SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION  
TO THE STATE BOXING COMMISSION OF HAWAII,  
GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, DAVID PADILLA,  
FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 06-30-2028**

Chair Keohokalole and Members of the Committee:

My name is James Skizewski, and I am the Executive of the State Boxing Commission of Hawaii (Commission). The Commission supports the confirmation of Mr. Padilla's appointment to the Commission.

Mr. Padilla fully understands his role and the various responsibilities of being a member. He has attended 2 of 2 meetings since she was appointed in the interim to the Commission in 2024. He is familiar with the purpose of the Commission and the Department. His current experience as a member will only aide in his ability to best serve the public, making him an invaluable member for this Board. As a member of the Commission, Mr. Padilla is fully aware of the commitment involved to serve on the Commission and is willing to again selflessly contribute.

Thank you for this opportunity to provide testimony in strong support of the appointment of Mr. Padilla to the State Boxing Commission of Hawaii.

**GM-515**

Submitted on: 3/17/2025 11:16:58 AM

Testimony for CPN on 3/21/2025 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Susan Manuma	Individual	Comments	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I would just like to testify that David Padilla would be an excellent member of the boxing commision. He is extremely fair, sometimes to the extent of being irritating. I have worked with him in law enforcement and security for over 25 years. Very cerebral, and honest person.

He will make an excellent member of the boxing commission.

Thank you for your time.

**GM-515**

Submitted on: 3/17/2025 2:41:05 PM

Testimony for CPN on 3/21/2025 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Jan Combs	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I am in favor of the nominee, David Padilla. I've known Mr.Padilla for 21 years  
encounting. With his experience of martial arts (as a coach and practioner), he will bring a deep  
understanding and sound judgement. He is also a business owner; hence, he is able to manage  
financial responsibilities. His strong character, integrity, and leadership experiences makes  
Mr.Padilla the best canidate.

**GM-515**

Submitted on: 3/19/2025 8:18:04 AM

Testimony for CPN on 3/21/2025 9:30:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Robert Ostovich	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

David is a solid pick for any leadership position. His leadership skills have been on display for the decades I've known him. Also having a wealth of experience in mixed martial arts, tactical training, gym management and coming from a career of law enforcement he will be able to handle this position with integrity and professionalism. He will be a great pick for this position.

Bob Ostovich