## HB 1258, HD1

Measure Title: RELATING TO AGING.

Report Title: Policy Advisory Board for Elder Affairs; Lifetime Membership

Allows Policy Advisory Board for Elder Affairs to honor a non ex-officio member with an honorary kupuna title; requires Governor to consider honorary title when considering honoree's reappointment; authorizes Governor to reappoint honoree for continued terms over the honoree's lifetime. (HB1258 HD1)

Companion:

Package: None

Current Referral: HMS/HTH

Introducer(s): SOUKI (Introduced by request of another party)

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March 14, 2013

TESTIMONY TO: Senate Committee on Human Services Senator Suzanne Chun Oakland, Chair Senator Josh Green, M.D., Vice Chair

> Senate Committee on Health Senator Josh Green, M.D., Chair Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Vice Chair

SUBJECT: **HB 1258, HD 1 - RELATING TO AGING** Friday, March 15, 2013 2:05 p.m. Hawai`i State Capitol, conference room 229

Honorable Chairs and Members of the Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to submit written testimony in support of HB 1258, HD 1 – RELATING TO AGING that allows the Policy Advisory Board for Elder Affairs (PABEA) to recommend to the governor that lifetime membership be granted to a member, which includes all the rights and privileges of a regular member. I am Alan Parker, Executive on Aging for the Hawai'i County Office of Aging (HCOA).

It is my understanding that this bill is a housekeeping measure that would allow lifetime member Shimeji (Shim) Kanazawa all the privileges of regular membership, including the right to vote. Mrs. Kanazawa is an honored and respected member of the aging community. She has been tireless in her work on behalf of the elderly; founding Project Dana and serving on numerous Boards and Commissions.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony in support of HB 1258, HD 1.

Sincerely,

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Alan R. Parker, Executive on Aging



## <u>HB1258</u>

Submitted on: 3/14/2013

Testimony for HMS/HTH on Mar 15, 2013 14:05PM in Conference Room 229

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
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Comments: Aloha .. I humbly ask that you support HB1258 HD 1 .. our kupuna are so very special to all of us .. we should be able to honor those few kupuna that have been extraordinary in their efforts to pave the way to make life easier for those who follow in their footsteps .. mahalo nui loa for your kind consideration to my request ..

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