

GM561

Measure Title: Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Board of Physical Therapy, Gubernatorial Nominee, MICHAEL TURNER, for a term to expire 6-30-2019.

Report Title: Board of Physical Therapy

Description:

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Current Referral: CPN

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4/1/2015	S	Received.
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4/2/2015	S	The committee(s) on CPN has scheduled a public hearing on 04-17-15 8:30AM in conference room 229.



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**PRESENTATION OF THE
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS**

TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON
COMMERCE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION

TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE
Regular Session of 2015
Friday, April 17, 2015
8:30 a.m.

TESTIMONY ON **GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE NO. 561**, SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO **THE BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY**, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, **MICHAEL TURNER**, FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 6-30-2019.

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

My name is Catherine Awakuni Colón, Director of the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs ("Department"). The Department appreciates the opportunity to provide testimony in support of Governor's Message No. 561, nominating Mr. Michael Turner for membership on the Board of Physical Therapy ("Board") for a term to expire June 30, 2019.

Mr. Turner has proven to be a committed member of the local physical therapy industry in Hawaii, with years of physical therapy experience in this State where he has also continued to raise his family since moving to Honolulu in 2004. As a locally

licensed physical therapist in good standing and an owner and manager of a local physical therapy business providing orthopedic specialty services, Mr. Turner has previously served as a member and past chairperson of the Board. Thus, he is very familiar with the Board's functions that include promulgating administrative rules pursuant to Chapter 91, Hawaii Revised Statutes, for the licensing of physical therapists and physical therapy assistants, and holding hearings for licensee disciplinary actions or license denial, suspension, limitation, or revocation actions. In addition, Mr. Turner understands and accepts the responsibilities that come with service on the Board, including the time and work needed to effectively represent both himself and his colleagues as the physical therapy industry representative.

In light of Mr. Turner's ongoing commitment to promote Hawaii's physical therapy industry and to serve the people of the State as a member of the Board, the Department strongly supports his confirmation.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit these comments in support of Mr. Turner's nomination to the Board of Physical Therapy.

From: [Chae Beloro](#)
To: [CPN Testimony](#)
Subject: Re: Candidate for Physical Therapy Board: GM561
Date: Monday, April 13, 2015 3:13:09 AM

April 13, 2015

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing this letter on behalf of Michael Turner, whom I believe would make an outstanding Board Member for Physical Therapy Board of Hawaii. I have worked with Mike for the past year at OrthoSport Hawaii and have been witness to the ethical, fair and respectful leadership style that Mike has with his staff. He leads by example and provides exceptional patient care, always putting the interests and needs of each patient as his highest priority. It has been that focus and quality care that has allowed OrthoSport to become and remain the highest respected provider of physical therapy on the Island.

When I moved to Hawaii, Michael was serving as the Chair of the Physical Therapy Board. During that time I experienced how he is able to multi-task and successfully run a business, promote Community Wellness through free health seminars and screenings, support his staff and be a part of their growth on a weekly basis, and advocate for the profession of physical therapy at the state and national level, all while maintaining a healthy family relationship. It is this type of well-rounded leader that is an ideal fit for the Board that governs our profession in the state of Hawaii.

It is my pleasure to recommend Michael Turner for the position of Board Member for the Physical Therapy Board of Hawaii. Mike's high level of expertise, healthy self-confidence and excellent leadership skills combine to make him an ideal candidate for the position.

Yours respectfully,

Cheryl "Chae" Beloro, PT, DPT, OCS

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Ladies and Gentlemen of the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection,

It's my pleasure to write you in support of Michael Turner's nomination for return service as a member of the Board of Physical Therapy for the State of Hawaii.

As an accomplished therapist with over 20 years clinical experience, as a private practice owner and treating therapist, as an internationally recognized instructor of continuing education and as a prior member of the same Board for 8 years, I think we would be hard-pressed to find a more qualified or effective Board member.

Additionally, he has served as Vice President of the Colorado chapter of the APTA for 4 years and has had a long habit of involvement in legislative efforts beyond any Board or Chapter office.

Mike has a very rare combination of perspectives on both the pure clinical level, the practice management level, the clinical instruction level and the legislative levels of PT .. and I believe strongly the Board would benefit from his return involvement.

I hope you will approve his reappointment to this Board Membership role and, as I said, I am happy to give him my strongest endorsement.

Sincerely,

James Moses, PT
PT 2384

Distinguished ladies and gentlemen of the Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection,

I am writing to express my interest in returning to service on the Board of Physical Therapy for the state of Hawaii. I am physical therapist and outpatient private practice owner on Oahu. As such I am tuned into the challenges and inner workings of the practicing therapist as well as the concerns that might be encountered by the patients being served in this setting.

I feel that I am well qualified having been on the board for the last 8 years, as well as a practicing Physical Therapist for 22 years, and an instructor of continuing education to physical therapists in the U.S. and internationally for 16 years. I have also served as the vice president of the Colorado chapter of the American Physical Therapy Association for 4 years, and been actively involved in the Hawaii chapters legislative committee prior to my initial appointment to the board 8 years ago.

My experience both on the board and in the field lends me insight from many different perspectives, all of which should help me to continue serving the public interest in executing my duties as a board member. Please consider my reappointment for this position. Thank you for your time.

Mahalo,

-Dr. Michael Turner PT, DPT