

GM624

Measure Title: Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Board of Veterinary Examiners, Gubernatorial Nominee, JENEE ODANI, for a term to expire 6-30-2019.

Report Title: Board of Veterinary Examiners

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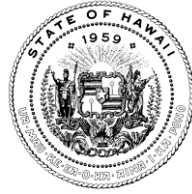
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4/6/2015	S	Received.
4/6/2015	S	Referred to CPN.
4/16/2015	S	The committee(s) on CPN has scheduled a public hearing on 04-22-15 8:30AM in conference room 016.



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TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON
COMMERCE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION

TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE
Regular Session of 2015

Wednesday, April 22, 2015
8:30 a.m.

TESTIMONY ON GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE NO. 624.

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

My name is Lynn Bhanot and I am the Executive Officer for the Board of Veterinary Examiners, Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs ("Department"). The Department thanks you for the opportunity to testify on Governor's Message No. 624, regarding the **reappointment** of Jenee Odani, D.V.M., to the Board of Veterinary Examiners ("Board"). The Department supports the confirmation of Dr. Odani's reappointment to the Board.

Dr. Odani is being reappointed to the Board as a licensee member. She has been licensed since September 13, 1999, and her license is current, active, and in good standing. Dr. Odani is one of five members who must be a veterinarian who has been licensed to practice for at least five years and is currently actively engaged in the

practice of veterinary medicine, and as one of four members who must be a resident of the City and County of Honolulu. She has attended 12 of 13 meetings.

Dr. Odani is an invaluable source of information given her extensive involvement coordinating the Swine Fever Surveillance cooperative agreement with the United States Department of Agriculture, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service – Veterinary Services. In addition, as the veterinary medical officer at the Hawaii Department of Agriculture, Veterinary Laboratory, her knowledge, background and expertise will assist the Board when making Board decisions. She exemplifies commitment and dedication to her responsibilities as a Board member by her active participation in the periodic updating of examination questions used in the State veterinary licensing examination, by writing new questions and by reviewing, updating, or repealing current examination items.

The Department believes that Dr. Odani's interest in serving on the Board, her experience in the profession, and desire to contribute to the community will enhance the effectiveness of the Board.

Therefore the Department supports the confirmation of Jenee Odani, D.V.M., to the Board of Veterinary Examiners, and thanks you for the opportunity to provide testimony.



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To: The Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection

I would like the Committee to consider Dr. Jenee Odani for reappointment of a second term to the Hawaii Board of Veterinary Examiners.

Dr. Odani has been a valuable ally in our fight to diagnose, contain, and eradicate potential widespread animal diseases in the State of Hawaii. She has proven essential to the Hawaii Pork Industry Association membership during the current outbreak of PEDv by providing assistance, information, and expertise to the hog producing community in the State of Hawaii.

Mahalo!

Clayton Lee

Hawaii Pork Industry Association- Treasurer

Date: April 10, 2015

TO: The Committee on Commerce & Consumer Protection
CPNTestimony@capitol.hawaii.gov

Re: Dr. Jenee Odani, Nomination Number GM624

To Whom It May Concern:

This letter is sent to encourage you to renew the appointment of Dr. Jenee Odani (GM624) to a second term to the Hawaii Board of Veterinary Examiners.

As a member of the Hawaii Pork Industry Association, myself, and all of the other members of the HPIA have benefited immensely from Dr. Odani's help in keeping us up to date on all current porcine diseases in Hawaii and on how we may control and/or eliminate these diseases.

She has played a great part in our successful endeavors to keep our farm, and our animals, as disease free as possible.

We, the farmers of Hawaii, need her continued service and advice.

Thank you, in advance, for your consideration of this testimonial.

HPIA
EVELYN A. TELLES, Secretary

Committee on Commerce & Consumer Protection

GM 624 Regarding Gubernatorial Nominee,

Dr. Jenee Odani

Board of Veterinary Examiners, City and County of Honolulu

Testimony of Dr. Isaac M. Maeda, Acting Administrator *IMM*
Animal Industry Division

April 12, 2015

Senator Rosalyn Baker, Chairperson, Senator Brian Taniguchi, Vice Chairperson and members of the Senate Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection:

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on Governor's Message No. 624 that nominates Dr. Jenee Odani for the City and County of Honolulu Board of Veterinary Examiners.

As a Board Certified Veterinary Pathologist, Dr. Odani possesses the professional knowledge, expertise and clinical competency that is essential for this position. Personally, she possesses the integrity, discernment and caring that is equally necessary for the Board. Dr. Odani is an energetic supervisor in our State Veterinary Laboratory and always conducts herself in an ethical manner. I can always rely on Jenee as a trustworthy and honorable colleague.

I respectfully ask you support the confirmation of Dr. Jenee Odani veterinarian for the City and County of Honolulu Board of Veterinary Examiners.

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Submitted on: 4/16/2015

Testimony for CPN on Apr 22, 2015 08:30AM in Conference Room 016

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Stacy Ellamar	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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From: [Vance Kawakami](#)
To: [CPN Testimony](#)
Subject: nomination number GM624
Date: Sunday, April 12, 2015 8:49:49 AM

To:Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection,

I am writing this testimony in support of Jenee Odani serving on the Board of Veterinary Examiners. I have known Jenee for over five years and I have always admired her dedication and tireless pursuit to help the livestock producers and veterinarians in the State of Hawaii. Therefore, I strongly support Jenee Odani serving on the Board of Veterinary Examiners.

Sincerely,

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From: [Wayne](#)
To: [CPN Testimony](#)
Subject: Reappointment of Jenee Odani
Date: Thursday, April 09, 2015 12:03:04 AM

To the Committee on Commerce & Consumer Protection,

I am writing in support of reappointing Dr. Jenee Odani(nomination number GM6240) to the Hawaii Board of Veterinary Examiners. Dr. Odani is a tremendous asset in whatever situation that she is assigned. Her work ethics is unmatched to anyone I have ever met. She is so conscientious, she has so much integrity, and the energy that this little person has will surpasses anyone.

Being a hog producer in Waimanalo, working with Dr. Odani has always been a pleasure and a learning experience. She possesses so much knowledge and her willingness to help anyone is a quality that is hard to find. Not having her on a committee, a board or an organization, I believe is a tremendous loss of an asset to that group. Therefore, I would strongly support reappointing Dr. Odani to the Hawaii Board of Veterinary Examiners.

Thanks You,

Wayne Shimokawa
President, Hawaii Pork Industry Association

TESTIMONY OF
JENEE S. ODANI
TO THE
SENATE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION
GM 624

Thank you to Governor David Ige for nominating me, and thank you to the Committee for considering my appointment to the Board of Veterinary Examiners.

I was born and raised on Maui, but like many others, attended school on the mainland and began my career there. I returned to my beloved home state after 13 years to raise my family and was fortunate to obtain a civil service position as a Veterinary Medical Officer with the State Department of Agriculture.

I have a wide range of experiences in the veterinary field, which include: small animal practice, food-safety, diagnostic pathology, forensic pathology, animal welfare/abuse, foreign animal disease/emergency response and aquaculture. I am currently the only board-certified veterinary pathologist in the state and work closely with other veterinarians and staff within the Animal Industry Division of the Department of Agriculture. I also teach anatomy within the Department of Animal Science at the University of Hawaii and enjoy working and mentoring future veterinary and animal science professionals.

I have served on the Board of Veterinary Examiners since 2012, and have enjoyed participating in the many discussions on issues affecting our profession: continuing education, definition of veterinary practice, pharmacology trends, examinations, etc. I believe that the Board of Veterinary Examiners plays an important role in ensuring the vitality of the veterinary profession and enhancing its positive presence in the community, and I look forward, with your approval, to continuing my participation.

Sincerely,

Jenee S. Odani, DVM, Diplomate American College of Veterinary Pathologists