# <u>GM 577</u>

Measure Title:	Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Pest Control Board, Gubernatorial Nominee, JULIAN YATES III, for a term to expire 06-30-2019.
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#### TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, CONSUMER PROTECTION, AND HEALTH

TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE Regular Session of 2017

> Friday, March 24, 2017 9:00 a.m.

### **TESTIMONY ON GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE NO. 577.**

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

My name is May Ferrer and I am the Executive Officer for the Pest Control Board

("Board"), Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs ("Department"). The Department thanks you for the opportunity to testify on Governor's Message No. 577, regarding the **appointment** of Julian R. Yates, III, Ph.D. to the Board. The Department supports the confirmation of Dr. Yates' appointment to the Board.

Dr. Yates was appointed to the Board as a public member on an interim basis, beginning on July 1, 2016. Dr. Yates is an Extension Specialist in Urban Entomology and had served as an ex-officio member of the Board for twenty-three years before recently retiring from the University of Hawaii, Department of Plant and Environmental Protection Sciences, College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources.

With an extensive background in termite research and education, and many years as an active and contributing ex-officio member of the Board, Dr. Yates brings to the Board invaluable contributions of insight, knowledge, experience in many aspects related to pest control,

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including the regulation of pest control professionals.

Dr. Yates is a reliable member who comes to Board meetings prepared to discuss matters on the Board's meeting agendas. His interest in serving on the Board and his desire to contribute to the community adds to the effectiveness of the Board.

The Department supports the confirmation of Dr. Yates to the Pest Control Board, and thanks you for the opportunity to provide testimony.





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March 24, 2017

- Testimony To: Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Health Senator Rosalyn H. Baker, Chair
- Presented By: Tim Lyons, CAE Executive Director
- Subject: GM 577 Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Pest Control Board, Gubernatorial Nominee, JULIAN YATES III, for a term to expire 06-30-2019.

Chair Baker and Members of the Committee:

I am Tim Lyons, Executive Director of the Hawaii Pest Control Association and we support this nomination.

Dr. Yates has been an integral part of the pest control community for many years. He is considered an expert particularly in the area of subterranean termites however as an entomologist he also has expertise in many other areas that affect the pests involving structural pest control. Because of the technical nature of this profession, we highly recommend someone from a scientific background to serve on the Board in order to be able to address those situations where such knowledge is needed. Dr. Yates has previously served on the Board and proved himself to be a valuable and contributing member of the Pest Control Board and we would expect him to do the same thing for this term.

Based on the above, we highly recommend your advise and consent to this nomination.

Thank you.

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Submitted on: 3/20/2017 Testimony for CPH on Mar 24, 2017 09:00AM in Conference Room 229

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
J. Kenneth Grace	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I am testifying in strong SUPPORT of GM 577 confirming DR. JULIAN YATES as a public member of the Pest Control Board. Although I am Associate Dean for Research in the College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources (CTAHR) at UH Manoa, today I am providing personal support for Dr. Yates' confirmation. I have known Dr. Yates for 30 years, and can think of no one more qualified and experienced to serve on the Pest Control Board. Dr. Yates served on the Board for many years as the UH representative, before his retirement last year from UH Manoa, and subsequent appointment to a first term as a public member of the Board. I currently serve on the Board as the UH member, along with Dr. Yates. Dr. Yates is an expert in pest control, who has conducted hundreds of training classes and seminars for the structural pest control industry, as well as for the public at large. His expertise and perspective as an educator are invaluable on the Pest Control Board. I strongly support his confirmation.

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Senator Baker,

My name is Rodney Ono and I am the chair of the pest control board. I am writing you in support of Dr. Julian Yates appointment to the board as a public member.

He is well educated in pest control and is a big help to me. So I highly recommend him to serve on this board.

Thank you,

Rodney N. Ono

Chairman of Pest Control Board

## GM577 Julian Yates III: Pest Control Board

### (1) Why do you want to be a member of the Board?

Appointed to become a public board member to continue offering my expertise in structural pest control board operations, and post graduate training in urban entomology.

## (2) What do you perceive are the roles and responsibilities of a member of the Board?

To abide by the rules and regulations governing the board's operations and performing the ultimate responsibility of consumer protection in the area of structural pest control.

### (3) In what ways do you feel that you can help protect the consumer?

Via my expertise in urban pest management and understanding of commercial pest control practices.

### (4) Given your understanding of the roles and responsibilities of a Board member, why do you believe that you are qualified for the position? Please include a brief statement of your skills, expertise and knowledge that would aid you as a member of the Board.

I was appointed as an ex-officio member to the DCCA structural pest control regulatory board on June 15, 1993, as an ex-officio member from the University of Hawaii. My membership was terminated upon my retirement on July 1, 2016. As a public member I continue with administrative duties pertaining to licensing, consumer complaints and the Hawaii Revised Statues (section 460J). Since my 1993 appointment to the board I have played an important role in adding 50 questions to the "termite category" licensing database, accepted or denied license applications, accepted or deferred Regulated Industries Complaint Office (RICO) judgments (fines), and have requested that board members recognize the need for more rigorous regulation of non-pesticide pest control devices. Moreover, my experience in dealing with consumer complaints, many of which have resulted from poor industry performance standards, will be an asset to the functions of the board to protect consumers. I have played an active role in revising the Hawaii Revised Statutes (section 460J) and Rules to include clearer definitions of intent.

### (5) What do you hope to accomplish during your term of service?

A continued service as described above.

# (6) Name three qualities that best describe you and how these qualities will benefit the Board.

Knowledgeable, patient, reasonable.

(7) Name a previous experience you've had that will be beneficial as a Board member.

See above

(8) Can you foresee any possible conflicts of interest that could arise during your service on the Board? How would you overcome conflicts of interest?

No. Be perceptive to avoid conflicts.