

STAND. COM. REP. NO. 2014

Honolulu, Hawaii

APR 28 2023

RE: GOV. MSG. NOS. 614,
617, 640

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-Second State Legislature
Regular Session of 2023
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection, to which was referred Governor's Message Nos. 614, 617, and 640, submitting for study and consideration the nominations of:

BOARD OF ELECTRICIANS AND PLUMBERS

G.M. No. 614	PHILLIP LUCERO, for a term to expire 06-30-2027;
G.M. No. 617	ROBERT BARRETT, for a term to expire 06-30-2027; and
G.M. No. 640	SHEUNG MAN WONG, for a term to expire 06-30-2027,

begs leave to report as follows:

Your Committee reviewed the personal histories, resumes, and statements submitted by Phillip Lucero, Robert Barrett, and Sheung Man Wong for service on the Board of Electricians and Plumbers.

PHILLIP LUCERO

Your Committee received testimony in support of the nomination for the appointment of Phillip Lucero from the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to the nomination for the appointment of Phillip Lucero from one individual. Your Committee notes that the testimony submitted in opposition to this nominee



contained no substantive information or commentary relating to his appointment.

Upon review of the testimony, your Committee finds that Mr. Lucero's experience, knowledge, and prior leadership on the Board of Electricians and Plumbers qualify him for reappointment to the Board of Electricians and Plumbers as a licensed electrician member. Your Committee notes that Mr. Lucero has thirty-one years of experience in the contracting industry and has been licensed as an electrician in Hawaii since 1992. Mr. Lucero is the owner of Preferred Electricians, LLC and previously served as Vice President of Electricians, Inc. Mr. Lucero is also a subject matter expert for the National Association of State Contractors Licensing Agencies Electricians Exam. Your Committee further finds that Mr. Lucero previously served two terms on the Board of Electricians and Plumbers and was elected as Chair and served on the Applications Review Committee. Mr. Lucero's experience and knowledge will continue to enhance the effectiveness of the Board of Electricians and Plumbers. Your Committee therefore recommends that Phillip Lucero be appointed to the Board of Electricians and Plumbers based on his experience, knowledge, and continued desire to serve the public.

ROBERT BARRETT

Your Committee received testimony in support of the nomination for the reappointment of Robert Barrett from the Board of Electricians and Plumbers, one member of the Honolulu City Council, and two individuals. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to the nomination for the appointment of Robert Barrett from one individual. Your Committee notes that the testimony submitted in opposition to this nominee contained no substantive information or commentary relating to his appointment.

Upon review of the testimony, your Committee finds that Mr. Barrett's background, knowledge, and proven leadership on the Board of Electricians and Plumbers qualify him for reappointment to the Board of Electricians and Plumbers as a public member. Your Committee notes that Mr. Barrett has over thirty years of experience in the construction industry and is the President and co-owner of Coastal Windows, Inc., a family owned and operated vinyl window and door manufacturer in Hawaii that has grown into a state of the art manufacturing facility and earned recognition and honors at the state and national level. Your Committee further notes that Mr. Barrett is an active participant in his community



and serves as a member of numerous other boards, councils, and associations, including his role as Chairman of the Parent Advisory Council, Chairman of the Parish Pastoral Advisory Council, President of the Board of Directors for the Mililani Town Association, and President of the Gentry Waipio Industrial Area Association. Your Committee finds that Mr. Barrett has served on the Board of Electricians and Plumbers since 2019 and currently serves as Vice President. Mr. Barrett's local business acumen, deliberative experience, and valuable consumer perspective will continue to be assets to the Board of Electricians and Plumbers. Your Committee therefore recommends that Robert Barrett be reappointed to the Board of Electricians and Plumbers based on his knowledge, background, and dedication to public service.

SHEUNG MAN WONG

Your Committee received testimony in support of the nomination for the reappointment of Sheung Man Wong from the Board of Electricians and Plumbers and one individual. Your Committee received testimony in opposition to the nomination for the reappointment of Sheung Man Wong from one individual. Your Committee notes that the testimony submitted in opposition to this nominee contained no substantive information or commentary relating to his appointment.

Upon review of the testimony, your Committee finds that Mr. Wong's experience, knowledge, and proven leadership on the Board of Electricians and Plumbers qualify him for reappointment to the Board of Electricians and Plumbers as a licensed plumber member. Your Committee notes that Mr. Wong has been a licensed plumber in Hawaii since 2010 and currently works with Gordon Mechanical, LLC as its Vice President of Operations. During his career, Mr. Wong has worked on various commercial, residential, and mixed-use projects, and has worked as a plumber apprentice, journeyman, foreman, and supervisor and understands the requirements for regulating electrical and plumbing professionals. Your Committee further finds that Mr. Wong has served on the Board of Electricians and Plumbers since 2019, previously served as Vice Chair, and is currently serving as its Chair and as a member of the Applications Review Committee. Mr. Wong's active leadership, experience, and knowledge will continue to benefit the Board of Electricians and Plumbers. Your Committee therefore recommends that Sheung Man Wong be reappointed to the Board of Electricians and Plumbers based on his experience, background, and demonstrated leadership.



As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection that are attached to this report, your Committee, after full consideration of the background, experience, and qualifications of the nominees, has found the nominees to be qualified for the positions to which nominated and recommends that the Senate advise and consent to the nominations.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Commerce and
Consumer Protection,



JARRETT KEOHOKALOLE, Chair



The Senate
 Thirty-Second Legislature
 State of Hawai'i

Record of Votes
Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection
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Advise and Consent

Governor's Message No.:* GM 617	Committee Referral: CPN	Date: 4-19-23		
<input type="checkbox"/> The Committee is reconsidering its decision				
The Recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Advise and Consent 2340 <input type="checkbox"/> Not Advise and Consent 2345				
Members	Aye	Aye (WR)	Nay	Excused
KEOHOKALOLE, Jarrett (C)	✓			
FUKUNAGA, Carol (VC)	✓			
MCKELVEY, Angus L.K.	✓			
RICHARDS, III, Herbert M. "Tim"	✓			
AWA, Brenton	✓			
TOTAL	5	0	0	0
Recommendation: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted				
Chair's or Designee's Signature: 				
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