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TESTIMONY ON GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE NO. 312.

TO THE HONORABLE RUSSELL S. KOKUBUN, CHAIR,
AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE:

The Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs ("Department") thanks you for the opportunity to testify on Governor's Message No. 312, regarding the **reappointment** of Benjamin K. Waiolama to the Motor Vehicle Repair Industry Board ("Board"). The Department supports the confirmation of Mr. Waiolama's reappointment to the Board.

Mr. Waiolama is being reappointed to the Board as a public member. He has served on the Board since April 29, 2005.

In July 2006, he was nominated to be the Chairperson of the Board and he continues to hold this position until today.

A dependable member who attends the Board meetings on a regular basis, Mr. Waiolama provides the Board the leadership needed to effectuate their business matters. He encourages open discussions during Board meetings while maintaining focus on the immediate matter.

We believe that Mr. Waiolama's interest in serving on the Board, his experience as a Board member, and his desire to contribute to the community will continue to enhance the effectiveness of the Board.

The Department supports the confirmation of Mr. Waiolama to the Motor Vehicle Repair Industry Board, and thanks you for the opportunity to provide testimony.