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## TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, CONSUMER PROTECTION, AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING

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## **TESTIMONY ON GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE NO. 313.**

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. 313, regarding the **reappointment** of Michael L. Traub, N.D., to the Board of Examiners in Naturopathy ("Board"). The Department supports the confirmation of Dr. Traub's reappointment to the Board.

Dr. Traub is being reappointed to the Board as a licensee member. He has been licensed as a naturopathic physician since February 28, 1985. Dr. Traub has served on the Board since July 1, 2004, and is currently the Board's Chairperson.

As Chairperson, Dr. Traub effectively leads the meetings and sets a good example for the Board. He is always prepared for each meeting and is very reliable with

an excellent attendance of Board meetings. With his twenty three years of experience as a practicing naturopathic physician and previous years of service on the Board, Dr. Traub brings to the Board his knowledge of the field of naturopathic medicine as well as the history of the Board. Dr. Traub's experience as a naturopathic physician, his continued interest in serving on the Board and his desire to contribute to the community is an asset to the Board.

The Department supports the confirmation of Dr. Traub to the Board of Examiners in Naturopathy, and thanks you for the opportunity to provide testimony.