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In reply, please refer to:

SENATE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, CONSUMER PROTECTION, AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING

GM 326, SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND CONFIRMATION TO THE BOARD OF CERTIFICATION OF OPERATING PERSONNEL IN WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANTS, GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, CHARLES H. DAWRS, FOR A TERM TO EXPIRE 6-30-2012

Testimony of Chiyome Leinaala Fukino, M.D. Director of Health

March 7, 2008 9:00 a.m.

- 1 Department's Position: Strongly Support.
- 2 Fiscal Implications: None.
- 3 **Purpose and Justification:** The Department supports the confirmation of Charles H. Dawrs to the
- 4 Board of Certification of Operating Personnel in Wastewater Treatment Plants (Board). Mr. Dawrs is
- 5 currently serving on the Board and his service has enabled the Board to carry out its duties in
- 6 implementing the requirements of Hawaii Administrative Rule, Title 11, Chapter 61, Mandatory
- 7 Certification of Wastewater Treatment Personnel in Wastewater Treatment Plants. Confirming his
- 8 appointment will allow the Board to continue to operate and perform its duties.
- 9 Mr. Dawrs is a Grade 4 certified wastewater treatment plant operator and is currently working as
- a civil project engineer with Hualalai Investors, LLC. He has over 14 years of wastewater operation and
- maintenance experience. He has been a member of the Board for the past six years and represents
- operators from the Big Island.

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Thank you for giving us the opportunity to testify before your committee.