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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
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IN REPLY REFER TO:

April 15, 2009

TESTIMONY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION, INTERNATIONAL AND  
INTERGOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS

BILL NUMBER: GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE NUMBER 567

TITLE: MEDICAL ADVISORY BOARD

DESCRIPTION: SUBMITTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND  
CONFIRMATION TO THE MEDICAL ADVISORY BOARD,  
GUBERNATORIAL NOMINEE, DAVID SAITO, MD, FOR A  
TERM TO EXPIRE 6-30-2011.

DEPARTMENT'S  
POSITION:

**The Department supports this confirmation.**

COMMENTS:

The Department of Transportation supports the appointment of Dr. David Saito to the Medical Advisory Board. Dr. Saito has contributed significantly to the work of the Medical Advisory Board since 2003 and currently co-chairs the Board. He is an active participant at the board meetings. We appreciate his sound advice and willingness to serve.

Dr. Saito received his medical education from the University of Hawaii, John A. Burns School of Medicine and completed his residency at the University of Hawaii having served as the Chief Medical Resident. He is a member of the American Medical Association, the American College of Physicians and the American College of Physician Executives.

In addition to his private practice of more than fifteen years in internal medicine, Dr Saito serves as Chief of Medicine at the Kapiolani Medical Center at Pali Momi.

We believe Dr. Saito's impressive medical background, his leadership, and his commitment to serving on this board make him a strong candidate. The Department respectfully requests that this Committee confirm Dr. Saito to the Medical Advisory Board.