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**PRESENTATION OF THE
HAWAII STATE BOXING COMMISSION**

TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TECHNOLOGY

TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE
Regular Session of 2009

Wednesday, February 4, 2009
1:15 p.m.

**TESTIMONY ON SENATE BILL NO. 66 – RELATING TO THE BOXING
COMMISSION.**

TO THE HONORABLE CAROL FUKUNAGA, CHAIR,
AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE:

My name is Herbert B. Minn, and I am the Chairperson of the Hawaii State Boxing Commission (“Commission”). The Commission thanks you for the opportunity to testify in opposition to S.B. No. 66, relating to the Boxing Commission.

The bill proposes to repeal the authority of the Commission to place amateur boxing contests under the control or supervision of any recognized national amateur athletic association whose standing has been approved by the Commission.

The Commission has and continues to support the delegation of supervision of amateur boxing to USA Boxing Inc. USA Boxing Inc. is the national governing body of amateur boxing. For many years this arrangement has worked to the benefit of both the Commission and USA Boxing Inc. as USA Boxing Inc. has the most knowledge and experience in amateur boxing. If for some legitimate reason the Commission feels that this national amateur association should no longer have control and supervision of amateur boxing, the Commission can designate another qualified entity or take back

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supervisory control. The repeal of this authority would remove the flexibility the Commission needs to oversee amateur boxing.

The Commission thanks you for the opportunity to provide testimony on S.B. No. 66.