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WRITTEN TESTIMONY ONLY

**TESTIMONY ON SENATE BILL NO. 2372, S.D. 1, RELATING TO SUNRISE
REVIEWS.**

TO THE HONORABLE DONNA MERCADO KIM, CHAIR,
AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE:

My name is Celia Suzuki, Acting Licensing Administrator of the Professional and Vocational Licensing Division ("PVLD"), Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs ("Department"). The Department appreciates the opportunity to submit written comments on Senate Bill No. 2372, S.D. 1, Relating to Sunrise Reviews.

Our comments relate only to the newly proposed subsection (c) on page 2, lines 4-16. This subsection proposes that the Legislature may, under certain circumstances, waive the mandate that requires the Auditor to do a sunrise study. PVLD has found that

sunrise studies are very beneficial and valuable as they provide us with information that we would not otherwise be able to gather (given our resources). Such studies have provided us with information on how other States regulate the affected professions; positive and the negative issues about the legislative proposal being set forth; and most importantly, information as to whether the proposed new regulation should be established as a registration, certification, or licensure regulatory structure. This is vital information not only for PVLD but the Legislature as well, as it affects PVLD's costs and fees.

While we recognize subsection (c) is discretionary, we believe its utilization would remove a very valuable step towards informed and sound decision making.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on Senate Bill No. 2372,
S.D. 1.