

# GM 604

**Measure Title:** Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Board of Speech Pathology and Audiology, Gubernatorial Nominee, ANNE MARIE HORNER, for a term to expire 6-30-2014.

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9:30 a.m.

**TESTIMONY ON GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE NO. 604.**

TO THE HONORABLE ROSALYN H. BAKER, CHAIR,  
AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE:

My name is Candace Ito and I am the Executive Officer for the Board of Speech Pathology and Audiology, Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs ("Department"). The Department thanks you for the opportunity to testify on Governor's Message No. 604, regarding the **reappointment** of Anne Horner to the Board of Speech Pathology and Audiology ("Board"). The Department supports the confirmation of Ms. Horner's reappointment to the Board.

Ms. Horner is being reappointed as the speech pathologist member. She has been licensed since February 22, 2005, and her license is current, active, and in good standing. She has served on the Board since July 1, 2008, and is currently the Board's Vice Chairperson. Ms. Horner is a conscientious member of the Board and has

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attended 8 of 8 meetings. Her knowledge of the State licensing requirements as well as the national certification standards has been valuable to the Board as they review their administrative rules for potential updates. She does not hesitate to volunteer for assignments which arise from Board discussions, is able to express her concerns and suggestions, and works well with the members to come to a resolution or decision. Ms. Horner's positive attitude and desire to continue to serve as the speech pathologist member is an asset to the Board.

Therefore, the Department supports the confirmation of Anne Horner to the Board of Speech Pathology and Audiology and thanks you for the opportunity to provide testimony.

Board of Speech Pathology and Audiology  
Written Testimony

My name is Anne Horner. I am currently a Speech-Language Pathologist working for the Department of Education since June 2003. I have reapplied to be a member of the Hawaii Board of Speech Pathology and Audiology because I recognize and appreciate the importance of having a regulatory board for the professions of speech pathology and audiology in the State of Hawaii. As a board member, I believe it is my responsibility to help make decisions regarding presented issues that supports the protection of the consumers of speech pathology and audiology services in the State of Hawaii. I feel that I will continue to be an asset to our State Board with having three years of experience serving on the board. In addition, I am an active practicing speech pathologist with the responsibilities of assessing, interpreting, planning, and executing educational programs for students (age 3-20 years old) with a variety of type and degree of disabilities to ensure that they receive a Free and Appropriate Education through the public school education system. and continue to be faced with issues that may affect consumer welfare. I continue to be an active member of the American Speech-Language-Hearing Association (ASHA), and a Board member of the Hawaii Speech-Language-Hearing Association (HSHA). These memberships will also support my ability to access a variety of resources that may help in decision making regarding issues (both in the Education setting and outside the Education setting) that may come before the State Board of Speech Pathology and Audiology.