

**TESTIMONY**

**GM710**

**HTH  
Confirmation Hearing  
03-14-2012**

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In reply, please refer to:  
File:

**Senate Committee on Health**

**GM 710, Gubernatorial Nominee to the Health Planning Council,  
Kauai County Subarea**

**Testimony of Loretta J. Fuddy, A.C.S.W., M.P.H.  
Director of Health**

**Wednesday, March 14, 2012  
1:30 p.m.**

1 **Department's Position:** The Department of Health supports the nomination and confirmation  
2 of Deanna Starinieri to the Kauai County Subarea Health Planning Council (KCSAC).

3 **Fiscal Implications:** None

4 **Purpose and Justification:** The purpose is for the consideration and confirmation to the  
5 KCSAC, Gubernatorial Nominee, Deanna Starinieri. Ms. Starinieri has over 40 years of  
6 experience in the nursing arena, including 22 years of service in dialysis on Kauai with St.  
7 Francis and Liberty Dialysis. She retired as Manager from Liberty Dialysis West Kauai in Nov  
8 2011, however, continues to serve in the same role on an interim basis. Prior to that, she  
9 served as Nurse Manager at Hale Kapuna Omao, Nurse at the Maine Holistic Medical  
10 Practice, Patient Care Coordinator at Kauai Hospice, and Facility Manager at St. Francis  
11 Medical Center Kauai Dialysis. Her work experience also included serving as staff registered  
12 nurse (RN) at GN Wilcox Hospital, Lihue; Beth Israel Hospital, Boston; West Hills Medical  
13 Center Canoga Park; Little Company of Mary Hospital; and St. Johns Hospital Anderson. She  
14 has a strong background in nursing, has an active RN license in Hawaii and California and  
15 also is a Certified Healing Touch practitioner and Certified Holistic Nurse.

1 We ask for your support on the confirmation of Ms. Starinieri, enabling her to serve on  
2 the Kauai County Subarea Health Planning Council.