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Testimony in Support of Governor's Message 760

For Consideration and Confirmation of TRACY CHIANG to the Board of Taxation Review, 1<sup>ST</sup> Taxation District (Oahu) for a Term to Expire June 30, 2015

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The Department of Taxation (Department) supports the nomination of Tracy Chiang to the Board of Taxation Review (BOR) and encourages this committee to confirm her nomination. Ms. Chiang is a holdover member of the BOR whose term expired June 30, 2011; her nomination is a reappointment until June 30, 2015.

Tracy Chiang is a qualified candidate to serve on the Board of Taxation Review for the First Taxation District, which is comprised of Honolulu County. Ms. Chiang has many years of tax experience. She has worked for H&R Block as a tax preparer and for First Hawaiian Bank as the assistant manager of the Tax Department. She has also worked for World Financial Group & Transamerica Financial Advisors, Inc. as a Branch Manager.

Ms. Chiang is a licensed CPA; holds licenses for insurance and securities Series 6, 26, 63, 65; and holds a real estate license. Ms. Chiang attended Providence College where she received a B.S. in Chemistry. She received her M.B.A. from the University of Hawaii at Manoa's Shidler College of Business.

Ms. Chiang has the necessary knowledge and skills to effectively and competently serve as a member of the Board of Taxation Review and has been adeptly serving since 2008. The Department supports her nomination and respectfully requests the Senate's favorable confirmation.