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Testimony in **Support** of Governor's Message 762

For Consideration and Confirmation of PETER M. TADAKI to the Board of Taxation Review, 3rd Taxation District (Hawaii) for a Term to Expire June 30, 2016

The Department of Taxation (Department) supports the nomination of Mr. Peter M. Tadaki to the Board of Taxation Review (BOR), for the 3rd Taxation District on Hawaii. He is a current 3rd Taxation District member whose term expires on June 30, 2012; his nomination would be a re-appointment until June 30, 2016.

Mr. Tadaki holds a Bachelor of Science degree from Willamette University and is a licensed Certified Public Accountant with his own private practice in this State. He is well experienced in tax and accounting, having practiced since 1987 with a wide range of clientele and experience on tax matters. Mr. Tadaki is active in the tax community, including as a member of the Hawaii Association of Public Accountants. Mr. Tadaki is also active in the Hilo community, having coached high school tennis.

The Hawaii District Tax Office also supports the nomination of Mr. Tadaki, who is well regarded in the community. The Hawaii District Tax Office finds that Mr. Tadaki is an easygoing person and works well with other Board members to resolve difficult questions.

It is the Department's position that Mr. Tadaki has the necessary knowledge and skills to effectively and competently serve as a member of the Board of Taxation Review for the 3rd Taxation District.

The Department and its Hawaii District Tax Office support his nomination and respectfully request the Senate's favorable confirmation.