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TO THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON  
CONSUMER PROTECTION & COMMERCE

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**TESTIMONY ON SENATE BILL NO. 506, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, RELATING TO  
PROFESSIONAL AND VOCATIONAL LICENSING.**

THE HONORABLE ANGUS L.K. MCKELVEY, CHAIR,  
AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE:

My name is Celia Suzuki, Licensing Administrator for the Professional and Vocational Licensing Division, Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs ("Department"). The Department appreciates the opportunity to submit comments on Senate Bill No. 506, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, Relating to Professional and Vocational Licensing.

The purpose of Senate Bill No. 506, S.D. 2, H.D. 1, is to amend Act 248, Session Laws of Hawaii 2012, to clarify the requirements for service member licensure in Hawaii. While the Department supports the intent of the bill, it does have concerns with

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the language on Page 5, lines 1 -3, and on Page 6, lines 17 – 19, which exempts medical doctors, dentists, or certified public accountants from the requirements of Act 248. We do not understand the rationale for this exemption, as it tends to defeat the purpose of the Act, which is to require the licensing authority to consider an applicant's military education, training, or service.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on Senate Bill No. 506,  
S.D. 2, H.D. 1.