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In reply, please refer to:
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Senate Committee on Health

GM0567, Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Mental Health and Substance Abuse, Oahu Service Area Board, Gubernatorial Nominee, PATRICK BROWN, for a term to expire 6-30-2018

Testimony of Lynn N. Fallin
Deputy Director, Behavioral Health Administration
Monday, February 24, 2014, 1:30 p.m., Room 229

1 **Department's Position:** The Department of Health (DOH) strongly supports the nomination of Patrick
2 Brown to serve on the Oahu Service Area Board on Mental Health and Substance Abuse (OSAB) for the
3 term to expire 6-30-2018.

4 **Fiscal Implications:** None.

5 **Purpose and Justification:** To confirm the appointment of Patrick Brown to serve on the OSAB.

6 Patrick Brown, Ph.D. retired from the Federal Government after thirty years of service, most of it
7 as a civilian employee with the Department of Navy and the Marine Corps Base Hawaii as a Human
8 Resource Manager. He has taught at the high school, college, graduate, and adult education level for
9 many years. Dr. Brown has over twenty years of experience living and working with foster care youth
10 with substance abuse addiction and mental illness. He was elected by fellow board members as chair of
11 the OSAB and is the OSAB representative on the State Council on Mental Health.

12 We respectfully request your favorable consideration in confirming the appointment of Patrick
13 Brown, Ph.D. to the Mental Health and Substance Abuse, Oahu Service Area Board.

14 Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

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