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Senate Committee on Health

GM0568, Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Mental Health and Substance Abuse, Hawaii Service Area Board, Gubernatorial Nominee, LUCAS BRUNO III, 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 Lucas
2 Bruno III to serve on the Maui Service Area Board on Mental Health and Substance Abuse (MSAB) for
3 the term to expire 6-30-2018.

4 **Fiscal Implications:** None.

5 **Purpose and Justification:** To confirm the appointment of Lucas Bruno III to serve on the MSAB.

6 Mr. Lucas Bruno III is a seasoned clinician who works closely with persons living with mental
7 illness. He is a probation officer and social worker in the justice system. Mr. Bruno brings practical
8 experience to the MSAB; He is aware of the needs of this population and the system that services them.
9 His understanding and knowledge of the needs of his community and the realistic solutions that he seeks
10 on a daily basis working with consumers, will be an asset to the MSAB's deliberations in making policy
11 recommendations.

12 We respectfully request your favorable consideration in confirming the appointment of Lucas
13 Bruno III to the Mental Health and Substance Abuse, Maui Service Area Board.

14 Thank you for the opportunity to testify.

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