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The Twenty-Seventh Legislature, State of Hawaii  
The Senate  
Committee on Health

Testimony by  
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February 24, 2014

Governor's Message 571 for Consideration and Confirmation  
to the Statewide Health Coordinating Council,  
Gubernatorial Nominee Nora Nomura

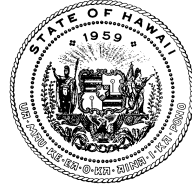
The Hawaii Government Employees Association, AFSCME Local 152, AFL-CIO strongly supports the confirmation of Nora A. Nomura to the Statewide Health Coordinating Council.

Given her prior employment with the Department of Health, in conjunction with her tenure as a Union Agent, Field Services Officer and Deputy Director of the Hawaii Government Employees Association, where she represented many employees in health care occupations, Ms. Nomura's career in service makes her an ideal candidate for the Statewide Health Coordinating Council. We are more than confident that Ms. Nomura will be diligent in serving our community, an asset to the Council, and will greatly enhance the HSHCC's ability to engage in health planning and certificate of need application review.

On behalf of the HGEA and our 42,700 members, I offer our unequivocal support for the confirmation of Nora A. Nomura to the Statewide Health Coordinating Council and humbly ask for your support of her nomination.

Sincerely,  


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Executive Director



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## Senate Committee on Health

### GM 571, Gubernatorial Nominee to the Statewide Health Coordinating Council

#### Testimony of Romala Sue Radcliffe SHPDA Administrator

Monday, February 24, 2014  
1:30 p.m.

1 **Department's Position:** The Department of Health supports the nomination and confirmation  
2 of Ms. Nora Nomura to the Statewide Health Coordinating Council (SHCC).

3 **Fiscal Implications:** None

4 **Purpose and Justification:** The purpose is for the consideration and confirmation of SHCC  
5 Gubernatorial Nominee, Ms. Nora Nomura.

6 For over a span of almost 30 years, Ms. Nomura devoted an entire career to the Hawaii  
7 Government Employees Association (HGEA). She started as a union agent and later served  
8 as a Field Services Officer, Executive Assistant to the Director, and Legislative Officer. In  
9 2008, she became Deputy Executive Director and eventually retired from HGEA in 2011.  
10 While at HGEA, she was responsible for providing representation for almost 28,000 union  
11 members in contract negotiation and enforcement, bargaining unit governance, training and  
12 education, legislative/political action and community service.

13 Ms. Nomura also served as a board member for Aloha United Way, Domestic Violence  
14 Action Center, the AFL-CIO, and various State of Hawaii Boards such as the Board of Speech

1 Pathology and Audiology and the Patsy T. Mink Commission. Ms. Nomura is a graduate of the  
2 University of Hawaii at Manoa.

3 We ask for your support on the confirmation of Ms. Nora Nomura to serve on the  
4 Statewide Health Coordinating Council.

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**GM571**

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Arvid Tadao Youngquist	The Mestizo Association	Support	Yes

Comments: Chair, Sen. Josh Green Vice-Chair, Sen. Rosalyn H. Baker The Right Honorable Members of the Senate Committee on Health We support the appointment of Mrs. Nora Nomura to the Statewide Health Coordinating Council, Gubernatorial Nominee, Nora Nomura for a term to expire 6-30-2018. We have known Mrs. Nomura since 1998. Personally, this writer have served on the West Honolulu Sub-Area Health Planning Council by appointment of Gov. George Ariyoshi. One of the most important task she will have will be to approve certificates of need. Our support is qualified. Firstly, in that she is fully qualified. But secondly, that we would like her to make some accommodations for her task independent of the HGEA, EUTF, & Deferred Comp. These and the area of Human Resources and Political Action Committees are Nora's strong points. Frankly, it is important to act independent of special interest groups when making a collaborative decision on this Council to assure fairness, justice, & equity. Request that your committee recommend to the full Senate your unanimous support for the confirmation of Mrs. Nora Nomura to serve until 6-30-2018. Mahalo. Arvid Tadao Youngquist Spokesman, The Mestizo Association (est. 1982) Resident voter, CD1 Congressional District

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