Aloha Senator Baker:

I am in support of the Podiatric Residency requirement.

I have practiced in Kailua-Kona, Hawaii since 1999-2000. I have been involved in Residency training programs in Houston, Texas for PSR 24 and PSR 36 programs (1985-1999) The education/training level of podiatrists over the last 25-30 years has evolved and the people of Hawaii deserve competent medical care. By setting the bar to admit podiatrists who are trained in a 2 year residency (PSR24) program will do nothing but improve care for the people of Hawaii and attract competent physicians. I vote Yes on increasing the Podiatry residency requirement to 2 years as above.

In addition, I would like to see reciprocity between all states utilizing the standardized licensure exam and same residency criteria.

Sincerely:

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