

HCR 66

Measure Title: REQUESTING THE STATE AUDITOR TO CONDUCT A SUNRISE REVIEW OF THE REGULATION OF VETERINARY TECHNICIANS AND THE PRACTICE OF VETERINARY TECHNOLOGY.

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TWENTY-SEVENTH STATE LEGISLATURE
REGULAR SESSION, 2014

TUESDAY, APRIL 15, 2014
10:00 A.M.

TESTIMONY ON HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 66
REQUESTING THE STATE AUDITOR TO CONDUCT A SUNRISE REVIEW OF THE
REGULATION OF VETERINARY TECHNICIANS AND THE PRACTICE OF
VETERINARY TECHNOLOGY

TO THE HONORABLE ROSALYN H. BAKER, CHAIR,
AND TO THE HONORABLE BRIAN T. TANIGUCHI, VICE CHAIR,
AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE:

The Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs ("Department") appreciates the opportunity to testify on House Concurrent Resolution No. 66, Requesting the State Auditor to Conduct a Sunrise Review of the Regulation of Veterinary Technicians and the Practice of Veterinary Technology. My name is Daria Loy-Goto, Complaints and Enforcement Officer for the Department's Regulated Industries Complaints Office ("RICO"). RICO offers the following

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testimony in support of the concurrent resolution. RICO notes that this Committee heard the companion concurrent resolution, Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 46, and passed out that concurrent resolution without amendments.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 66 requests a sunrise review by the Auditor on the regulation of veterinary technicians as proposed in Senate Bill No. 2502 S.D.1. RICO supports a sunrise review in accordance with §26H-6, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

RICO has been working collaboratively with the Board of Veterinary Examiners and the Hawaii Veterinary Medical Association on the enforcement provisions in Senate Bill No. 2502 S.D.1, with the understanding by all parties that the bill's proposed registration scheme would be the subject of a sunrise review.

Thank you for this opportunity to testify on House Concurrent Resolution No. 66. I will be happy to answer any questions that the members of the Committee may have.

**PRESENTATION OF THE
BOARD OF VETERINARY EXAMINERS**

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**TO THE HONORABLE ROSALYN H. BAKER, CHAIR,
AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE:**

My name is John Kaya, D.V.M., and I am the Chairperson of the Board of Veterinary Examiners ("Board"). Thank you for the opportunity to present testimony in support of House Concurrent Resolution No. 66, Requesting the State Auditor to Conduct a Sunrise Review of the Regulation of Veterinary Technicians and the Practice of Veterinary Technology.

The Board understands that Section 26H-6, Hawaii Revised Statutes, requires that new regulatory measures being considered for enactment be referred to the Auditor for a sunrise analysis. Referral shall be by concurrent resolution that identifies a specific legislative bill to be analyzed. The statute further requires that the analysis shall set forth the probable effects of regulation, assess whether its enactment is consistent with the legislative policies of the Hawaii Regulatory Licensing Reform Act, and assess alternative forms of regulation.

The Board worked with the proponents of the bill and compromise language was reached, and Senate Bill No. 2502, S.D. 1, is the bill to be analyzed by the Auditor. Affected parties are in full support of establishing requirements for the regulation of veterinary technicians and the practice of veterinary technology.

Therefore, the Board respectfully requests your Committee's approval and passage of this measure. Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony on House Concurrent Resolution No. 66.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Eric Ako DVM	Hawaii Veterinary Medical Association	Support	No

Comments: Honorable Chair Senator Baker and committee members, The Hawaii Veterinary Medical Association on behalf of its members strongly support HCR66. Whereas, the graduates of the Windward Community College Veterinary Technology Program must be recognized for their efforts to be productive citizens in the field of their choice. Whereas, we have 50+ veterinary technicians who are registered, certified, or licensed in other states working now in Hawaii practices, for the State or Federal government, etc. Whereas, we have hundreds of other citizens working in the veterinary field on veterinary health care teams who could benefit from registration, Whereas, the community will benefit from VT registration just as Registered Nurses have served our community, Therefore, please pass HCR66 today. I would be happy to answer any questions regarding my profession. Thank you, Eric Ako DVM Executive VP, HawaiiVMA

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