

STATE OF HAWAII OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS

NEIL ABERCROMBIE GOVERNOR

SHAN S. TSUTSUI LT. GOVERNOR

335 MERCHANT STREET, ROOM 310 P.O. Box 541 HONOLULU, HAWAII 96809 Phone Number: 586-2850 Fax Number: 586-2856 www.hawaii.gov/dcca KEALI`I S. LOPEZ

JO ANN M. UCHIDA TAKEUCHI DEPUTY DIRECTOR

PRESENTATION OF DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS REGULATED INDUSTRIES COMPLAINTS OFFICE

TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

TWENTY-SEVENTH STATE LEGISLATURE REGULAR SESSION, 2014

> THURSDAY, APRIL 17, 2014 10:55 A.M.

WRITTEN 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 DAVID Y. IGE, CHAIR, AND TO THE HONORABLE MICHELLE N. KIDANI, VICE CHAIR, AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE:

The Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs ("Department")

appreciates the opportunity to submit written 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. My name is Daria Loy-Goto, Complaints and Enforcement Officer for

Testimony on House Concurrent Resolution No. 66 April 17, 2014 Page 2

the Department's Regulated Industries Complaints Office ("RICO"). RICO offers the following 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 submit written testimony in support of House Concurrent Resolution No. 66.

PRESENTATION OF THE BOARD OF VETERINARY EXAMINERS

TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS

TWENTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATURE REGULAR SESSION OF 2014

> Thursday, April 17, 2014 10:55 a.m.

WRITTEN TESTIMONY ONLY

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 DAVID Y. IGE, 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 written 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. Written testimony on House Concurrent Resolution No. 66 Thursday, April 17, 2014 Page 2

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 written testimony on House Concurrent Resolution No. 66.

From:	mailinglist@capitol.hawaii.gov		
To:	WAM Testimony		
Cc:	AKOE002@hawaii.rr.com		
Subject:	Submitted testimony for HCR66 on Apr 17, 2014 10:55AM		
Date:	Wednesday, April 16, 2014 5:35:50 PM		

<u>HCR66</u>

Submitted on: 4/16/2014 Testimony for WAM on Apr 17, 2014 10:55AM in Conference Room 211

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Eric Ako DVM	Hawaii Veterinary Medical Association	Support	Yes

Comments: Honorable Chair Senator David Ige and Ways and Means Committee members, The Hawaii Veterinary Medical Association,on behalf of its 200 members,strongly support HCR66. We seek to give fair recognition of our veterinary team leaders,thereby improving their wages,their career fulfillment,and especially,our service to the community. Veterinary technicians play a significant role on the veterinary health care team. In private practice as well as the public sector. They are our nurses,our practice managers. Graduates of our accredited Windward Community College Veterinary Technology program deserve recognition of their academic achievement. Please support and pass HCR66. And we hope for your support next year when we reintroduce the bills. Mahalo,for the people, Eric Ako DVM Executive VP,HVMA

Please note that testimony submitted <u>less than 24 hours prior to the hearing</u>, improperly identified, or directed to the incorrect office, may not be posted online or distributed to the committee prior to the convening of the public hearing.

Do not reply to this email. This inbox is not monitored. For assistance please email webmaster@capitol.hawaii.gov