## **GM732**

Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Board Of

Measure Title: Examiners In Optometry, Gubernatorial Nominee, PETER SHOJI, for

a term to expire 06-30-2020.

Report Title: Board Of Examiners In Optometry

Description: Companion:

Package:

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## PRESENTATION OF THE PROFESSIONAL AND VOCATIONAL LICENSING DIVISION

TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE, CONSUMER PROTECTION, AND HEALTH

TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE Regular Session of 2016

Friday, April 1, 2016 9:30 a.m.

## **TESTIMONY ON GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE NO. 732.**

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

My name is Sandra Matsushima and I am the Executive Officer for the Board of Examiners in Optometry, Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs ("Department"). The Department thanks you for the opportunity to testify on Governor's Message No. 732, regarding the **reappointment** of Peter Shoji, O.D., to the Board of Examiners in Optometry ("Board"). The Department supports the confirmation of Dr. Shoji's reappointment to the Board.

Dr. Shoji has been licensed as an optometrist since March 1985, and his license is current, active, and in good standing. He has served on the Board since August 2012, and has been the Board's Vice Chair since October 12, 2015.

Dr. Shoji has attended 16 of 22 meetings. He has devoted his time and knowledge by assisting the Board to amend its administrative rules and to keep the Board on track with optometry issues both locally and nationally.

In addition, Dr. Shoji volunteers his time and energy by attending legislative hearings and has been the Board's delegate to attend the National Association of Regulatory Boards of Optometry ("ARBO") meeting. Dr. Shoji is committed to keeping the local industry informed with current trends in the practice of optometry. By sharing valuable insights that he has gained over his many years of experience as a licensed optometrist in active practice, Dr. Shoji contributes to the breadth of information that the Board has found useful when making its decisions.

The Board supports the reappointment of Dr. Shoji, and thanks you for this opportunity to provide testimony.