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**PRESENTATION OF THE
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TO THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON
CONSUMER PROTECTION & COMMERCE

TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE
Regular Session of 2016

Monday, March 21, 2016
3:00 p.m.

**TESTIMONY ON SENATE BILL NO. 13, PROPOSED H.D. 1, RELATING TO
PSYCHOLOGY.**

TO THE HONORABLE ANGUS L.K. MCKELVEY, CHAIR,
AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE:

My name is Celia Suzuki, Licensing Administrator for the Professional and Vocational Licensing Division, Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs (“Department”). The Department appreciates the opportunity to submit testimony on Senate Bill No. 13, Proposed H.D. 1, Relating to Psychology.

The purpose of the bill is to establish a school psychologist licensing program within the Department to be administered by the Director of Commerce and Consumer Affairs.

Senate Bill No. 13, Proposed H.D. 1, creates a new chapter in the Hawaii Revised Statutes (“HRS”) to regulate school psychologists. Section 26H-6, HRS,

requires that new regulatory measures being considered for enactment be referred to the State Auditor for a sunrise analysis. Referral is required to be made 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.

Therefore, this bill should be deferred until a sunrise analysis on this measure is conducted by the Auditor.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on Senate Bill No. 13,
Proposed H.D. 1.

**PRESENTATION OF THE
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AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE:

My name is May Ferrer, Executive Officer for the Hawaii Board of Psychology (“Board”). Thank you for the opportunity to testify on Senate Bill No. 13, Proposed H.D. 1, Relating to Psychology.

The purpose of this proposed measure is to ensure that only qualified persons are allowed to practice in the field of school psychology. Senate Bill No. 13, H.D. 1 proposes to establish a new chapter for the licensing of school psychologists.

At its meeting on February 19, 2016, the Board reviewed House Bill No. 1937, H.D. 1, and Senate Bill No. 2612, which similarly proposed to establish a licensing program within the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs to be administered by the Director.

The Board was supportive of the intent of those measures and recommended that continuing education be included as part of any licensing framework for school psychologists approved by the Legislature.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on Senate Bill No. 13, Proposed H.D. 1.

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Comments: We STRONGLY SUPPORT this bill.

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