

**PRESENTATION OF THE
BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS**

TO THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON
CONSUMER PROTECTION AND COMMERCE

TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE
Regular Session of 2018

Wednesday, February 21, 2018
2:00 p.m.

TESTIMONY ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2149, H.D. 1, RELATING TO DENTISTRY.

TO THE HONORABLE ROY M. TAKUMI, CHAIR, AND MEMBERS OF THE
COMMITTEE:

My name is Paul Guevara, D.M.D., M.D.S., and I am the Chairperson of the Board of Dental Examiners ("Board"). Thank you for the opportunity to testify on H.B. 2149, H.D. 1 which is a companion to S.B. 2931. The Board supports this bill and suggests an amendment.

This measure amends the ethics training requirement for dentists in the continuing education program to be six hours of ethics training within the previous two years.

The Board suggests an amendment on page 1, line 14 to clarify the continuing education requirement reporting period: "two years for each biennial renewal period." This amendment would clarify that the licensee must complete at least six hours of ethics training in the previous two-year biennial period to comply with the continuing education requirements for renewal.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of H.B. 2149, H.D. 1, with a suggested amendment.



Hawaii Dental Association

To: The House Committee on Consumer Protection and Commerce
Time/Date: 2 p.m., February 21, 2018
Location: Capitol Conference Room 329
Re: HB 2149 HD1, Relating to Dentistry

Aloha Chair Takumi, Vice Chair Ichiyama and members of the committee! My name is Dr. Robert Baysa and I serve as the president of the Hawaii Dental Association, a professional association comprised of approximately 950-member dentists. The Hawaii Dental Association (HDA) is a statewide professional membership organization representing dentists practicing in Hawaii and licensed by the State of Hawaii Board of Dental Examiners. HDA members are committed to protecting the oral health and well-being of all of the people of Hawaii, from keiki to kupuna and everyone in between.

We are writing to **support the dental ethics bill**. Embedded into HDA's mission statement is a commitment to promote ethical conduct within the profession. As part of this effort, we championed an effort to require our dentists to take three hours of ethics training every year. The purpose of this bill is to provide flexibility to dentists by requiring six hours every two years instead of three hours annually. Our commitment to ethics remains strong and this keeps the hourly requirement the same while aligning to the dental license renewal, which happens every two years.

We appreciate the legislature's support of the dentistry profession and we look forward to continuing to work collaboratively with you. Mahalo for this opportunity to testify.

Respectfully,
Dr. Robert Baysa, D.D.S
President, Hawaii Dental Association

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COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER PROTECTION & COMMERCE AT THE HAWAII STATE
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, February 21, 2018

State Capitol

Conference Room 329

RE: HB 2149 – IN SUPPORT

Aloha Chair Takumi, Vice-Chair Ichiyama, and members of the committee -

I am a dentist on Kauai and **I SUPPORT HB 2149**. This change will change ethics training requirements to 6 hours of ethics training over the course of two years instead of 3 hours every year. This does not change the total amount of ethics training that we do, but gives us flexibility in scheduling those training sessions.

Please SUPPORT HB 2149.

Thank you,

Michael Lutwin, DDS

**House Committee on Consumer Protection and Commerce
Chairperson Roy M. Takumi**

**Wednesday, February 21, 2018 at 2:00 PM
Conference Room 329, State Capitol, 415 South Beretania Street**

Aloha Chair Takumi and Committee Members -

House Bill 2149 is a good bill. This will give myself, and other dental professionals, greater flexibility in scheduling ethics training. I am IN SUPPORT OF this bill.

Thank you,

**Paul Ching, DDS
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TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF HOUSE BILL 2149

Wednesday, February 21, 2018 at 2:00 PM
Conference Room 329 at the State Capitol

To the House Committee on Consumer Protection and Commerce -

House Bill 2149 is a good bill. This change will allow dental professionals to schedule 6 hours of ethics training over the course of two years instead of 3 hours every year, giving us more flexibility in scheduling.

Please move this measure forward.

Thank you,

Lauren N. Bundschuh, DDS
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House Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce
Wednesday, February 21, 2018 at 2:00 PM
Conference Room 329, State Capitol

Aloha Members of the Committee -

I am a dentist in Kahului and **I SUPPORT HB 2149.**

Please PASS HB 2149 at this time.

Mahalo,

Heather Cantori, DDS
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State Capitol
Wednesday, February 21, 2018
2:00 PM
Conference Room 329
415 South Beretania Street

**COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER PROTECTION AND COMMERCE,
HAWAII STATE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF HB 2149**

Chair Takumi, Vice-Chair Ichiyama and members of the Committee
on Consumer Protection and Commerce -

I support HB 2149.

This gives us flexibility in scheduling ethics training sessions.

Please support this measure.

Mahalo,
Melissa Beaudet-Uy
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To Chair Roy M. Takumi and Vice-Chair Linda Ichiyama
House Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce
Wednesday, February 21, 2018 at 2:00 pm
Conference Room 329 at the State Capitol, 415 South Beretania Street
Regarding HB 2149: IN SUPPORT

Good afternoon -

I am a dentist in Honolulu and I SUPPORT HB 2149.

Please PASS THIS MEASURE.

Thank you,

Ryan D. Lee, DDS, MS

Wednesday, February 21, 2018

The House Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce
State Capitol, Conference Room 329

Aloha Chair Takumi, Vice-Chair Ichiyama and members of the House Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce,

My name is Lynn Fujimoto, DMD, and I am writing in *SUPPORT of HB 2149*. My testimony is that this bill will give dentists flexibility in completing required ethics training.

Please advance this bill.

Mahalo,

Lynn K. Fujimoto, DMD

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House Committee on Consumer Protection and Commerce
Wednesday, February 21, 2018

2:00 AM

Conference Room 329

State Capitol, 415 South Beretania Street

Aloha Chair Roy M. Takumi and Committee Members -

I am a dentist in Kalihi and **I SUPPORT HB 2149**. This change will allow dental professionals to schedule 6 hours of ethics training over the course of two years instead of 3 hours every year and gives us greater flexibility in scheduling those training sessions. I ask that you SUPPORT this measure.

Mahalo,

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TO: THE HAWAII STATE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER PROTECTION AND
COMMERCE

DATE: Wednesday, February 21, 2018 at 2:00 PM

PLACE: Conference Room 329, State Capitol

RE: Testimony IN SUPPORT of House Bill 2149

Committee Members -

I am a dentist on Oahu and I support House Bill 2149.

This change will allow dental professionals to schedule six hours of ethics training over the course of two years instead of three hours every year. The recertification occurs every two years so this will not change the overall number of hours spent on ethics training. Please support this bill.

Thank you,

Anthony S. Kim, DMD

COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER PROTECTION AND COMMERCE
HAWAII STATE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Roy M. Takumi: Chairperson
Linda Ichiyama: Vice Chairperson

Wednesday, February 21, 2018
2:00 PM
Conference Room 329
State Capitol, 415 South Beretania Street

Dear Representatives -

I am a dentist in Kalihi and I support HB 2149.

Please PASS this bill.

Thank you for your time,

Andrew H. Johnson
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Aloha Chair Roy Takumi, Vice Chair Linda Ichiyama, and members of the House Committee on Consumer Protection and Commerce

I SUPPORT HB 2149.

This bill will allow dentists to schedule 6 hours of ethics training over the course of two years instead of 3 hours every year. This does not change the total amount of ethics training that we do, and gives us greater flexibility in scheduling those training sessions.

Please PASS this measure.

Thank you,

Kerry Ishihara, DDS
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**IN SUPPORT OF HOUSE BILL 2149
RELATING TO HOUSE COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER PROTECTION AND
COMMERCE**

Wednesday, February 21, 2018, 2:00 PM

Chair Roy M. Takumi, Vice chair Linda Ichiyama, and members of the House
Committee on Consumer Protection and Commerce -

House Bill 2149 is a good bill. It will give dentists flexibility in getting their required ethics
training done. I am IN SUPPORT OF this bill.

Thank you for considering my testimony.

Robert Stebbins, DDS
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HOUSE COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER PROTECTION & COMMERCE
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2018

Chair Takumi, Vice Chair Ichiyama, and Members of the Committee -

I am a dentist in Waialae Iki and I support HB 2149. **Please PASS HB 2149.**

Mahalo,
Candice McMullan-Vogel, DDS
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House Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce
Chair Roy M. Takumi
Vice-Chair Linda Ichiyama

Wednesday, February 21, 2018
2:00 PM
Conference Room 329
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

Chair, Vice-Chair and members of the committee -

I am a dentist in Kakaako and I support HB 2149. This change will allow dental professionals to schedule 6 hours of ethics training over the course of two years instead of 3 hours every year. This does not change the total amount of ethics training that we do, but gives us greater flexibility in scheduling those training sessions. **Please SUPPORT this bill.**

Thank you,

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House Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce
Chairperson Roy M. Takumi
Vice-Chairperson Linda Ichiyama

Wednesday, February 21, 2018
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415 South Beretania Street

RE: Testimony IN SUPPORT to House Bill 2149

Aloha -

House Bill 2149 is a good bill. This does not change the total amount of ethics training that dentists do, but allows greater flexibility in scheduling this training. **I am IN SUPPORT of this bill.**

Thank you,

Dr. Gale Marana
pearlkaidentistry@live.com

House Committee on Consumer Protection and Commerce
Chair Roy Takumi
Vice-Chair Linda Ichiyama

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State Capitol
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Good morning -

I am a dentist in Aiea and I support HB 2149. This bill will give more flexibility for dentists to complete the required ethics training. Please **SUPPORT** this bill.

Thank you,

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*House Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce
Chair Roy M. Takumi
Vice-Chair Linda Ichiyama*

*Wednesday, February 21, 2018 at 2:00 P.M.
State Capitol, Conference Room 329
Testimony **IN SUPPORT OF HB 2149***

Good Morning -

*I am a dentist in Kahala and Pearl City and **I SUPPORT HB 2149**. Please support this bill.*

Thank you,

*Dayton Lum, DDS
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KURT NISHIGUCHI, DDS

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HOUSE COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER PROTECTION & COMMERCE

CHAIR ROY M. TAKUMI

VICE-CHAIR LINDA ICHIYAMA

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2018

2:00 PM

CONFERENCE ROOM 329

STATE CAPITOL

CHAIRPERSON TAKUMI AND MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER PROTECTION & COMMERCE -

I AM A DENTIST IN KAIMUKI AND I SUPPORT HB 2149.

PLEASE PASS THIS MEASURE.

THANK YOU,
KURT NISHIGUCHI, DDS
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IN SUPPORT TO HOUSE BILL 2149

RELATING TO: House Committee on Consumer Protection and Commerce

Wednesday, February 21, 2018, 2:00 P.M.

Chair Roy Takumi, Vice-Chair Linda Ichiyama, and members of the House Committee on Consumer Protection and Commerce -

House Bill 2149 is a good bill. I am IN SUPPORT OF this bill. This change will allow dental professionals to schedule 6 hours of ethics training over the course of two years, giving us flexibility in completing the required amount of ethics training.

Thank you for considering my testimony.

John Morioka, DDS
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Conference Room 329 at State Capitol

Aloha -

House Bill 2149 is a good bill for dentists. **I am in support of this bill.**

Thank you for reading my testimony.

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HOUSE COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER PROTECTION AND COMMERCE

Wednesday, February 21, 2018 at 2:00 PM

Conference Room 329, State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

Aloha Committee Members -

I am a dentist on Oahu and **I SUPPORT HB 2149.**

Please **SUPPORT** this bill.

Mahalo,

Steve Wilhite, DDS

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Amy Ogawa, DMD
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TO: House Committee on Consumer Protection and Commerce

DATE: Wednesday, February 21, 2018

TIME: 2:00 PM

PLACE: State Capitol, 415 South Beretania Street

Aloha Chair Takumi, Vice-Chair Ichiyama, and committee members-

I support HB 2149.

This change will allow dentists to schedule 6 hours of ethics training over the course of 2 years instead of 3 hours annually. This does not change the total amount of ethics training that is required, but it allows greater flexibility in scheduling those training sessions.

Please SUPPORT this bill.

Thank you,

Amy Ogawa, DMD

House Committee on Consumer Protection and Commerce
Wednesday, February 21, 2018
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Conference Room 329
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

Good Morning -

I stand in support of House Bill 2149.

This change will allow dental professionals to schedule 6 hours of ethics training over the course of two years instead of 3 hours every year. This won't change the total amount of ethics training that dentists will have to complete, but it gives us greater flexibility in scheduling them.

Please PASS this bill.

Thank you,

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THE HAWAII HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER PROTECTION & COMMERCE
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2108
2:00 P.M.
RE: HB 2149 – IN SUPPORT

Chair Takumi, Vice-chair Ichiyama, and committee members -

I am a dentist in Hilo and I SUPPORT HB 2149. This will provide flexibility to dentists to complete their required training.

I urge you to MOVE FORWARD with this measure at this time.

Thank you,

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House Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce
Chair Roy M. Takumi
Vice-Chair Linda Ichiyama

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Aloha Chairperson Takumi, Vice Chairperson Ichiyama, and members of the committee-

I am a dentist on Kauai and **I SUPPORT HB 2149.**

This will give dental professionals greater flexibility to schedule the required ethics training. **Please SUPPORT this bill.**

Thank you,

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House Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce
Chair Roy M. Takumi
Vice-Chair Linda Ichiyama

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Chairs and Committee Members -

I am IN SUPPORT OF House Bill 2149.

Thank you for your time.

George Wessberg, DDS
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Wednesday, February 21, 2018

Aloha House Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce -

I am a dentist and I support HB 2149. This bill will allow dentists to schedule 6 hours of ethics training over the course of 2 years instead of 3 hours every year. There is no change in the total amount of ethics training that we do, but it gives us greater flexibility in scheduling those training sessions. Please SUPPORT this bill.

Thank you,

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