

**PRESENTATION OF THE  
BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS**

TO THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON  
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE  
Regular Session of 2018

Thursday, March 8, 2018  
9:30 a.m.

**TESTIMONY ON SENATE BILL NO. 2931, S.D. 1, RELATING TO DENTISTRY.**

TO THE HONORABLE JOHN M. MIZUNO, 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 in support of S.B. 2931, S.D. 1, Relating to Dentistry, which is a companion to H.B. 2149.

S.B. 2931, S.D.1 amends the ethics training requirement for dentists in the continuing education program to six hours of ethics training within the previous two years.

The Board fully supports this S.D.1 version of the measure, as it clarifies 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.

Please note that companion bill, H.B. 2149 does not incorporate the clarifying language in the H.D. 1. Therefore, the Board strongly recommends passage of this version of the bill.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of S.B. 2931, S.D.1.



## Hawaii Dental Association

To: The House Committee on Health & Human Services  
Time/Date: 9:30 a.m., March 8, 2018  
Location: Capitol Conference Room 312  
Re: SB 2931 SD1, Relating to Dentistry

Aloha Chair Mizuno, Vice Chair Kobayashi, and members of the committee,

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.

The purpose of SB 2931 SD1 is to allow for flexibility in complying with required ethics training so that dentists shall perform six hours of training in a two-year period, for each biennial renewal period, rather than three hours per year. We appreciate the legislature's support of the dentistry profession and we look forward to continuing to work collaboratively with you to assist in the development of sound oral health policies.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

House Committee on Health & Human Services  
Chair John M. Mizuno  
Vice-Chair Bertrand Kobayashi

Thursday, March 8, 2018  
9:30 AM  
Conference Room 312  
State Capitol  
415 South Beretania Street

Chairs, Vice-Chairs and members of the committees -

I am a dentist in Kakaako and I support SB 2931. 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,

Kelvin N. Asahina, DDS  
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*House Committee on Health and Human Services  
Chair John M. Mizuno  
Vice-Chair Bertrand Kobayashi*

*Thursday, March 8, 2018 at 9:30 A.M.  
State Capitol, Conference Room 312  
Testimony **IN SUPPORT OF SB 2931***

*Good Morning -*

*I am a dentist in Kahala and Pearl City and **I SUPPORT SB 2931**. Please support this bill.*

*Thank you,*

*Dayton Lum, DDS  
kahaladds@gmail.com*

State Capitol  
Thursday, March 8, 2018  
9:30 AM  
Conference Room 229  
415 South Beretania Street

**COMMITTEE ON HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES  
HAWAII STATE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF SB 2931**

Chair Baker, Chair Taniguchi and members of the Committee on Health and Human Services and the Committee on Judiciary -

**I support SB 2931.**

This gives us flexibility in scheduling ethics training sessions.

**Please support this measure.**

Mahalo,  
Melissa Beaudet-Uy  
Beaudetm001@hawaii.rr.com

**House Committee on Health and Human Services  
Chairperson John M. Mizuno**

**Thursday, March 8, 2018 at 9:30 AM  
Conference Room 312, State Capitol, 415 South Beretania Street**

**Aloha Chair Baker, Chair Taniguchi and Committee Members -**

**Senate Bill 2931 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  
pchingdds@aol.com**

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HAWAII STATE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Chair John M. Mizuno  
Vice-Chair Bertrand Kobayashi

Thursday, March 8, 2018  
9:30 AM

Conference Room 312  
State Capitol, 415 South Beretania Street

Dear Senators -

I am a dentist in Kalihi and I support SB 2931.

**Please PASS this bill.**

Thank you for your time,

Andrew H. Johnson  
andhjohnson@gmail.com

House Committee on Health and Human Services  
Thursday, March 8, 2018  
9:30 AM  
Conference Room 312  
State Capitol, 415 South Beretania Street

Aloha Chair Mizuno and Committee Members -

I am a dentist in Kalihi and **I SUPPORT SB 2931**. 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,  
Wesley J.J. Choy, DDS  
weschoy@hawaiiintel.net



Thursday, March 8, 2018

The House Committee on Health & Human Services

State Capitol, Conference Room 312

Aloha Chair Mizuno, Vice Chair Kobayashi and members of the Committee on Health & Human Services,

My name is Lynn Fujimoto, DMD, and I am writing in *SUPPORT of SB 2931*. My testimony is that this bill will give dentists flexibility in completing required ethics training.

Please advance this bill.

Mahalo,

Lynn K. Fujimoto, DMD

Fujimoto.lynn00@gmail.com

House Committee on Health & Human Services  
Thursday, March 8, 2018  
Conference Room 312, State Capitol

Aloha Members of the Committee -

I am a dentist in Kahului and **I SUPPORT SB 2931.**

**Please PASS SB 2931 at this time.**

Mahalo,

Heather Cantori, DDS  
heathercantori@gmail.com

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES  
THURSDAY, MARCH 8, 2018

Chair Mizuno, Vice-Chair Kobayashi, and Members of the Committee -

I am a dentist in Waialae Iki and I support SB 2931. **Please PASS SB 2931.**

Mahalo,  
Candice McMullan-Vogel, DDS  
cgmcnullanv@gmail.com

Aloha Chair John Mizuno, and members of the House Committee on Health & Human Services

**I SUPPORT SB 2931.**

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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To Chair John M. Mizuno and Vice-Chair Bertrand Kobayashi  
House Committee on Health & Human Services  
Thursday, March 8, 2018 at 9:30 am  
Conference Room 312 at the State Capitol, 415 South Beretania Street  
Regarding SB 2931: IN SUPPORT

Good afternoon -

I am a dentist in Honolulu and I SUPPORT SB 2931.

Please PASS THIS MEASURE.

Thank you,

Ryan D. Lee, DDS, MS

House Committee on Health and Human Services  
Thursday, March 8, 2018  
9:30 AM  
Conference Room 312  
State Capitol  
415 South Beretania Street

Good Morning -

I stand in support of Senate Bill 2931.

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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House Committee on Health & Human Services  
Chair John M. Mizuno  
Vice-Chair Bertrand Kobayashi

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RE: Testimony IN SUPPORT to Senate Bill 2931

Aloha -

Senate Bill 2931 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

**SB-2931-SD-1**

Submitted on: 3/7/2018 9:16:47 AM

Testimony for HHS on 3/8/2018 9:30:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Present at Hearing</b>
Melodie Aduja	OCC Legislative Priorities Committee, Democratic Party of Hawai'i	Support	No

Comments: