

**PRESENTATION OF THE
BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS**

TO THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON
CONSUMER PROTECTION & COMMERCE

TWENTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE
Regular Session of 2017

Tuesday, March 28, 2017
2:00 p.m.

**TESTIMONY ON SENATE BILL NO. 371, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, RELATING TO THE BOARD
OF DENTISTRY AND DENTAL HYGIENE.**

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

My name is Paul Guevara, D.M.D., M.D.S., Chairperson of the Board of Dental Examiners ("Board"). I appreciate the opportunity to testify on Senate Bill No. 371, S.D. 1, H.D. 1, Relating to the Board of Dentistry and Dental Hygiene, which retains the name of the Board of Dental Examiners and increases the Board composition by adding a dental hygienist from a neighbor island.

The Board supports this measure and appreciates the Committee's understanding by maintaining the Board's name as the Board of Dental Examiners. The Board also concurs with the addition of a dental hygienist from one of the neighbor islands, as well as consideration of a dentist who has a background in public health dentistry as a desirable qualification without it being a requirement. As you may be aware, there is a limited amount of dentists with a background in public health dentistry and who would have the time to volunteer their service to the Board.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of Senate Bill No. 371, S.D.1, H.D. 1.



Hawaii Dental Association

To: Committee on Consumer Protection Commerce
Time/Date: 2:00 p.m., March 28, 2017
Location: Capitol Conference Room 329
Re: **SB 371, SD1, HD1, RELATING TO BOARD OF DENTISTRY AND DENTAL HYGIENE**

Aloha Chair Takumi, Vice Chair Ichiyama:

My name is Dr. Chris Lee and I serve as the president of the Hawaii Dental Association, a professional association comprised of nearly 1,000 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 respectfully **oppose** SB 371, SD1, HD1 which changes the Board composition by increasing dental hygienist representation and ensuring Oahu and neighbor island representation among dental hygienist members. This bill will not ensure or enhance the safety and health of Hawaii residents. We ask that you do not advance this bill.

In addition, we opposed earlier versions of this bill which changed the name of the Board of Dental Examiners to the Board of Dentistry and Dental Hygiene (Board). We continue to oppose the measure as we understand that later discussions if this bill advances could cause earlier versions to resurface.

We recognize the legislature's intent to ensure the health and safety of Hawaii residents. Likewise, the Hawaii Dental Association is committed to improve oral health in Hawaii. We look forward to continuing to work collaboratively with you on key policy initiatives to accomplish those goals. In addition, and consistent with our longstanding public positions, we believe that water fluoridation would make significant contributions to improving oral health in our state. Mahalo for this opportunity to testify.

Respectfully,
Dr. Chris Lee, D.D.S
President, Hawaii Dental Association



Testimony in Support of **SB 371 SD1**, Relating to The Board of Dentistry and Dental Hygiene

Ellie Kelley-Miyashiro, RDH, BS

Hawaii Dental Hygienists' Association Regulations and Practice Chairperson 2016-2017

March 21, 2017

Dear Respected Members of the House Committees on Health and Intrastate Commerce:

The Hawaii Dental Hygienists' Association (HDHA) strongly to support **SB 371 SD1**. This bill will bring a long-standing, recommended change to the composition of the Hawaii Board of Dental Examiners as well as a logical change to its name. Currently there are 8 dentists, 2 hygienists and 2 public members on the Board of Dental Examiners. **SB 371 SD1** will increase the number of dental hygienists on the Board. Should the bill pass, the new ratio would be 8 dentists, 3 hygienists and 2 public members.

HDHA feels that the current over-representation of dentists and under-representation of dental hygienists creates an environment where the majority group can easily steamroll or negate the opinions of the minority members. We understand that the role of the Board is to ultimately serve the interests of the public, but the unique and valuable perspective of the dental hygienist is not adequately represented at the current ratio. Public Safety, as it relates to the profession of dental hygiene will be best served if a more balanced, democratic Board is created. A board where each member has true and equal voice.

It is also important to note that the change of name more accurately reflects its true function, which is monitoring the licensure of Dentists **AND** Dental Hygienists. The name change is appropriate because the Board encompasses the regulation and practice of both professions - not just dentistry. The Board has many functions and is more than just an "examining body", as is implied by the current name.

HDHA thanks you for your time and consideration of **SB 371 SD1**. We would like to convey our desire that dentists and hygienists continue to be integral members of the oral health team, and feel that the public is best served and protected when both oral health professions have adequate representation on the Board.

Thank you

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Alan J. Ing, DDS	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I am opposed to SB 371.

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HOUSE COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER PROTECTION & COMMERCE

Tuesday, March 28, 2017, 2:00 PM

Hawaii State Capitol, Room 329

**TESTIMONY IN OPPOSITION OF SB 371 RELATING TO THE BOARD OF
DENTISTRY AND DENTAL HYGIENE**

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

My name is Allison P. Tran-Yokota and I am writing in opposition to SB 371, SD1, HD1. This bill will not ensure or enhance the safety and health of Hawaii residents. Although this bill has been changed to only add a hygienist, the basic problem with the bill is that it attempts to equate licensed dentists who are responsible the work of their staff members.

Thank you for your time,

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Amy Choy	Individual	Oppose	No

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Date: March 28, 2017
Place: Hawaii State Capitol, Room 329 at 2:00 PM
Regarding: Testimony opposing SB 371

House Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce -

I am writing to respectfully **oppose SB 371, SD1, HD1**, which changes the composition of the Board of Dental Examiners. A prior version of the bill changed the name of the Board of Dental Examiners to the Board of Dentistry and Dental Hygiene (Board). This bill is a step in the wrong direction in terms of increasing the quality, affordability and access to care. Please defer SB 371.

Thank you for reading my testimony,

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Ashley M. Takiguchi	Individual	Oppose	No

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

Tuesday, March 28, 2017
2:00 PM
Location: Hawaii State Capitol, Room 329
415 South Beretania Street

Testimony in opposition to SB 371 relating to the board of dentistry and dental hygiene

Aloha Chair Takumi, Vice Chair Ichiyama, and Committee Members,

I am writing in **opposition** SB 371, SD1, HD1, which changes the composition of the Board of Dental Examiners. A prior version of the bill changed the name of the Board of Dental Examiners to the Board of Dentistry and Dental Hygiene (Board). This bill is a step will have a negative effect in terms of increasing the quality, affordability and access to care. Please defer SB 371.

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Date: Tuesday, March 28, 2017

Place: Hawaii State Capitol, Room 329

Regarding: Testimony opposing SB 371

House Committee on Consumer Protection and Commerce –

Senate Bill 371 is a bad precedent in that it is attempting to equate dental hygiene with dentistry. Dentists have the legal responsibility for the operations of their offices and the protection of the health and safety of their patients. Hygienists fall within the dentists' supervision and responsibility.

I urge you to hold this bill.

Thank you for your time.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Bert Sumikawa	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: Aloha Chair Takumi, Vice Chair Ichiyama and members of the Consumer Protection and Commerce Committee, My name is Bert Sumikawa and I am writing in opposition to SB 371, SD1, HD1. This bill will not ensure or enhance the safety and health of Hawaii residents. Please OPPOSE this bill.

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March 28, 2017

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER PROTECTION & COMMERCE
Hawaii State Capitol, Room 329

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

My name is Berwyn Y. Ito and I am writing in **opposition** to Senate Bill 371.

Please do not advance this bill.

Thank you for your time,
Berwyn Y. Ito, DDS

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER PROTECTION & COMMERCE
Tuesday, March 28, 2017
2:00 PM
Conference Room 329
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

Good afternoon -

I stand in opposition to Senate Bill 371.

I recognize the legislature's intent to promote good oral health policies, but this bill does not accomplish that.

The Board of Dental Examiners has adequate representation of hygienists.

Please DO NOT PASS THIS BILL.

Thank you,

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HOUSE COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER PROTECTION & COMMERCE

Tuesday, March 28, 2017 at 2:00 p.m.

Room 329, Hawaii State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

Aloha Committee Members ~

I am a dentist in Honolulu and **I OPPOSE SB 371.**

The Board of Dental Examiners has adequate representation of hygienists.

Please OPPOSE this bill.

Mahalo,

Dr. Brandon Yokota

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Bruce Keller	Individual	Oppose	No

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Calbert Lum	Individual	Oppose	No

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Candace Wada, DDS	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: Candace Wada, DDS 4211 Waiialae Avenue Suite 309 Honolulu, HI 96816
Aloha! I am OPPOSED to SB 371. Mahalo.

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*COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER PROTECTION & COMMERCE
HAWAII STATE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Rep. Roy M. Takumi, Chair
Rep. Linda Ichiyama, Vice Chair*

*Tuesday, March 28, 2017 at 2:00 p.m.
State Capitol, Conference Room 329
Testimony in opposition to SB 371*

Good afternoon -

I am a dentist in Honolulu and I OPPOSE SB 371. I recognize the legislature's intent to promote good oral health policies, but this bill does not accomplish that. The Board of Dental Examiners has adequate representation of hygienists.

Thank you,

Carla C. Fukumoto, DDS

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Tuesday, March 28, 2017

2:00 PM

*Senate Bill 371
The House Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce
415 South Beretania Street
State Capitol Room 329*

To: Members of the Committee,

My name is Celia Dumbrique and I am writing in opposition to SB 371, SD1, HD1. This bill will not ensure or enhance the safety and health of Hawaii residents. Although this bill has been changed to only add a hygienist, the basic problem with the bill is that it attempts to equate licensed dentists who are responsible for all of the operations of their office including the work of their staff members with a dental hygienist. I am also concerned that if this bill continues to advance it might revert to an earlier version of the bill.

Please do not advance this bill.

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Chadron S. Araki	Individual	Oppose	No

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House Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce
Tuesday, March 28, 2017, 2:00 PM

Aloha Chair Takumi, Vice Chair Ichiyama, and Committee Members,

I am writing to respectfully **oppose SB 371, SD1, HD1**, which changes the composition of the Board of Dental Examiners.. A prior version of the bill changed the name of the Board of Dental Examiners to the Board of Dentistry and Dental Hygiene (Board). On the surface this bill appears harmless, but I believe this bill is a step in the wrong direction in terms of increasing the quality, affordability and access to care.

Please defer SB 371.

Hawaii State Capitol
March 28, 2017
2:00 PM
Conference Room 329
415 South Beretania Street

**COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER PROTECTION & COMMERCE (CPC),
HAWAII STATE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TESTIMONY IN OPPOSITION TO SB 371, SD1, HD1**

Reps. Takumi, Ichiyama, and members of the CPC committee -

I OPPOSE SB 371.

The Board of Dental Examiners presently has adequate representation of dental hygienists. This bill is not needed.

Please OPPOSE this measure.

Mahalo,

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

Re: SB 371, Relating to the Board of Dentistry and Dental Hygiene
Hearing: 3/28/17
Room: 329

Aloha Chair Takumi, Vice Chair Ichiyama, and Committee Members,

Hi my name is Dr. Chris Lee and I oppose SB 371.

I recognize the legislature's intent to promote good oral health policies, but Senate Bill 371 is a bad precedent. The current version of this bill merely adds a hygienist. The real problem is that it is attempting to equate dental hygiene with dentistry. Why does this matter? Dentists have the legal responsibility for the operations of their offices and the protection of the health and safety of their patients. Hygienists fall within the dentists' supervision and responsibility. Earlier versions of this bill are particularly troubling. I am opposed to this bill.

Christopher E. Yim DDS
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To: House Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce
When: Tuesday, March 28, 2017 at 2:00 PM
Location: Hawaii State Capitol, Room 329

Aloha -

I am writing to respectfully oppose SB 371, SD1, HD1, which changes the composition of the Board of Dental Examiners. A prior version of the bill changed the name of the Board of Dental Examiners to the Board of Dentistry and Dental Hygiene (Board). This will decrease the quality, affordability and access to care and should not be passed. Please defer SB 371.

Clay S. Kurisaki, DDS

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Tuesday, March 28, 2017

Re: Senate Bill 371, Relating to the Board of Dentistry and Dental Hygiene

To the Honorable Roy M. Takumi, Linda Ichiyama & committee members,

My name is Clay S. Kurisaki and I am writing in **opposition** to SB 371, SD1, HD1. This bill does not help to promote the safety and health of members of the community.

Though this bill has been changed to add a hygienist, the basic problem with the bill is that it attempts to equate licensed dentists (who are responsible for all of the operations of their office including the work of their staff members) with a dental hygienist.

I am also concerned that if this bill continues to advance it might revert to an earlier version of the bill, which the Hawaii Dental Association and many members of the community OPPOSED.

Please do not advance this bill.

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March 28, 2017

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

Tuesday, 03-28-17 2:00 PM
Location: Hawaii State Capitol, Room 329

Re: SB 371, RELATING TO THE BOARD OF DENTISTRY AND
DENTAL HYGIENE

My name is Clyde Uchida and I am writing in opposition of SB 371.

I am writing to respectfully oppose SB 371, SD1, HD1, which changes the composition of the Board of Dental Examiners. A prior version of the bill changed the name of the Board of Dental Examiners to the Board of Dentistry and Dental Hygiene (Board). Adding additional members to the Board of Dental Examiners will not improve the safety of patients, quality, or access to care. This bill is a step in the wrong direction.

Please defer SB 371.

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House Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce
March 28, 2017 at 2:00 PM
Hawaii State Capitol, Room 329

Testimony opposing SB 371 relating to the board of dentistry and dental hygiene

Aloha Chair Takumi, Vice Chair Ichiyama, and Committee Members,

My name is Coy Rebmann and I believe that Senate Bill 371 is a bad precedent.

The current version of this bill merely adds a hygienist. The real problem is that it is attempting to equate dental hygiene with dentistry, which they do not compare. Why does this matter? Dentists have the legal responsibility for the operations of their offices and the protection of the health and safety of their patients. Hygienists fall within the dentists' supervision and responsibility. Earlier versions of this bill are particularly troubling.

I am opposed to this bill.

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Craig Haruki	Individual	Oppose	No

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Craig Nunokawa	Individual	Oppose	No

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**HOUSE COMMITTEE ON
CONSUMER PROTECTION & COMMERCE
Tuesday, March 28, 2017 at 2:00 PM
Room 329, Hawaii State Capitol**

Aloha -

SB 371 amends the composition of the Board of Dental Examiners to add an additional dental hygienist member and specify that two hygienist members shall reside in the City and County of Honolulu and one shall reside in the County of Hawaii, Maui, or Kauai. On its surface, this bill appears innocuous. Underneath however is a viewpoint that hygienists should be in the business of licensing dentists.

I am opposed to this bill.

Thank you,

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Cynthia Ichirui Keller	Individual	Oppose	No

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

Re: SB 371
Position: OPPOSITION
Hearing: Tuesday, March 28, 2017
Room: Capitol 329
From: Dr. Dayton Lum

Aloha Chair Takumi, Vice Chair Ichiyama, and Committee Members,

I am writing to respectfully **oppose** SB 371, SD1, HD1, which changes the composition of the Board of Dental Examiners. A prior version of the bill changed the name of the Board of Dental Examiners to the Board of Dentistry and Dental Hygiene (Board). This bill is a step in the wrong direction in terms of increasing the quality, affordability and access to care.

Please do not advance SB 371.

TESTIMONY IN OPPOSITION TO SENATE BILL 371 RELATING TO THE BOARD OF DENTISTRY AND DENTAL HYGIENE

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

SB 371 amends the composition of the Board of Dental Examiners to add an additional dental hygienist member and specify that two hygienist members shall reside in the City and County of Honolulu and one shall reside in the County of Hawaii, Maui, or Kauai.

On its surface, this bill appears innocuous. Underneath however is a viewpoint that hygienists should be in the business of licensing dentists.

Please DO NOT PASS SB 371.

Thank you for your time,

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Honolulu, HI 96813
Testimony opposing SB 371 relating to the board of dentistry and dental hygiene

To the Committee Members,

On its surface, SB 371 appears innocuous. Underneath however is a viewpoint that
hygienists should be in the business of licensing dentists.

I urge you to hold this bill. Do not let it move forward.

Thank you for your time,

Dean Sueda, DDS

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Derek H Ichimura	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: My name is Derek Ichimura and I am a General Dentist in Pearl City. I would like to testify in OPPOSITION to SB 371, SD1, HD1 (HSCR1266). Thank you for your consideration.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Diana G. Smith	Individual	Support	No

Comments: My name is Diana Smith and I have been practicing Dental Hygiene for 33 years. I support the amendment to increase the number of hygienists on the dental board. Often the scope of dental hygiene and dental practices are not the same and there are conflicts of interest. To have a board exist with such uneven representation is unfair not only to the hygienists but the underserved, under treated population they often represent.

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Re: SB 371 SD1 HD1 RELATING TO THE BOARD OF DENTISTRY AND DENTAL HYGIENE

Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce

Representative Roy M. Takumi, Chair

Representative Linda Ichiyama, Vice Chair

Hearing Date: March 28, 2017

Time: 2:00 pm

Place: Conference Room 329

Dear Honorable Representative Takumi, Chair; Representative Ichiyama, Vice Chair; and Committee Members:

This testimony is in **strong support** of **SB 371 SD 1 HD1**, to add another representative from the profession of Dental Hygiene to the Hawaii Board of Dental Examiners. I am disappointed to lose the language that would rename the Board of Dental Examiners that governs both the professions of Dentistry and Dental Hygiene, and would like to see more dental hygienists added as before to provide a more balanced composition and perspective, however, one is better than none! Thank you!

My name is Diane Brucato, RDH, EF, BS, FAADH. I have been a practicing Dental Hygienist in good standing on the island of Hawaii since 1992. Living in Hilo, I have had the privilege to practice in both Kona and Hilo. In addition, I have taken an active role in leadership; volunteered in my community, island, and state; attended almost every Board of Dental Examiners meeting since 2007 (and many before that); and even applied twice for a position on the Board of Dental Examiners. Presently, I am serving my eighth year on the Regulated Industries Complaints Office's (RICO) Dental Advisory Committee. I have been a dental hygienist since 1979, am a former Anesthesia Examiner for Western Regional Examining Board, and a longstanding member of the American Association of Dental Boards.

This is why I am sorry to lose the name change language:

While the original purpose of the Board was to act as a pool of dental examiners, currently, there is no Hawaii Dental or Dental Hygiene Licensing Examination. Instead, the ADEX national board or Regional exams are accepted for licensure. While the members of the Board may choose to act as examiners for the regional boards, and usually do, they are not required to do so. The Hawaii Board of Dental Examiners has therefore, become more regulatory in nature, since the elimination of the Hawaii Dental Licensing and Dental Hygiene Licensing Exams. Changing the name of the Board reflects their function more accurately.

Changing the name from the "Board of Dental Examiners" to the "Board of Dentistry and Dental Hygiene" is especially appropriate, given the fact that this Board governs both professions. Historically, the fact that the dentists govern and control the practice of professional Registered Dental Hygienists,

while also being the primary employers of Registered Dental Hygienists, brings to light a clear conflict of interest, especially considering the unbalanced ratio of dentists to hygienists on the Board.

Adding another dental hygienist to the Board from a neighbor island will provide a unique preventative perspective that could have far reaching effects in the interest of public health, safe access to dental care, wellness, and safety of our island communities.

Dental hygienists have demonstrated, through their testimonies over the years, a keen interest in opportunities to promote public health and safe access to care through formal standardized education, regulated testing of competency, and licensure. Dental hygienists, as educated, licensed professionals, are willing to serve and can be a great asset to the public. Despite their value, they have been a grossly underutilized resource. Thank you for recognizing them as the professionals they are.

Please support SB 371 SD1 HD1. Thank you for your attention and consideration.

Respectfully yours,

Diane Brucato, RDH, EF, BS, FAADH

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Past President, Hawaii Dental Hygienists' Association

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March 28, 2017

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To: House Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce
Re: SB 371
Hearing: Tuesday, March 28
Room: State Capitol 329
From: Dr. Duane Tamashiro

Aloha Chair Takumi, Vice Chair Ichiyama, and Committee Members,

My name is Dr. Duane Tamashiro and I have 23 years of experience in General Dentistry. I am writing to respectfully **oppose** SB 371, SD1, HD1, which changes the composition of the Board of Dental Examiners. A prior version of the bill changed the name of the Board of Dental Examiners to the Board of Dentistry and Dental Hygiene (Board). In terms of increasing the quality, affordability and access to care, this bill does not do that. Please defer SB 371.

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER PROTECTION & COMMERCE

Rep. Roy M. Takumi, Chair

Rep. Linda Ichiyama, Vice Chair

Tuesday, March 28, 2017

2:00 PM

Conference Room 329

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

Committee Members –

SB 371 amends the composition of the Board of Dental Examiners to add an additional dental hygienist member and specify that two hygienist members shall reside in the City and County of Honolulu and one shall reside in the County of Hawaii, Maui, or Kauai. On its surface, this bill appears innocuous. Underneath however is a viewpoint that hygienists should be in the business of licensing dentists.

DO NOT PASS THIS MEASURE.

Thank you,

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HOUSE COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER PROTECTION & COMMERCE

Rep. Roy M. Takumi, Chair

Rep. Linda Ichiyama, Vice Chair

Tuesday, March 28, 2017

Conference Room 329

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Aloha -

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Thank you,

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Francis Hamada, DDS	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: The Board of Dental Examiners already has adequate representation by dental hygienists. Please do not advance this bill. Francis Hamada, DDS 98-1247 Kaahumanu St. Ste. 204 | Aiea, HI 96701

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Dr. Frank H. Sayre, D.D.S.	Individual	Support	No

Comments: There should be additional dental hygienist members on the Board of Dentistry to make sure the public is adequately protected.

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

Tuesday, March 28, 2017

2:00 PM

Location: Hawaii State Capitol, Room 329
415 South Beretania Street

Aloha Chair Takumi, Vice Chair Ichiyama, and Committee Members,

I am writing to respectfully **oppose** SB 371, SD1, HD1, which changes the composition of the Board of Dental Examiners. A prior version of the bill changed the name of the Board of Dental Examiners to the Board of Dentistry and Dental Hygiene (Board). This bill will not increase the quality, affordability and access to care and is a step in the wrong direction.

Please defer SB 371.

Gary Umeda
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To: HOUSE COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER PROTECTION & COMMERCE
Representative Roy M. Takumi, Chair
Representative Linda Ichiyama, Vice Chair

Date: Tuesday, March 28, 2017

Time: 2:00 PM

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

My name is Gary Umeda and I am writing in opposition to SB 371, SD1, HD1. This bill will not ensure or enhance the safety and health of Hawaii residents. Although this bill has been changed to only add a hygienist, the basic problem with the bill is that it attempts to equate licensed dentists who are responsible for all of the operations of their office including dental hygienists. I am also concerned that if this bill continues to advance it might revert to an earlier version of the bill.

Please do not advance this bill.

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER PROTECTION & COMMERCE

Date: Tuesday, March 28, 2017
Time: 2:00 PM
Location: Hawaii State Capitol Room 329

RE: SB 371, RELATING TO THE BOARD OF DENTISTRY AND DENTAL HYGIENE

Dear Chair Takumi, Vice Chair Ichiyama, and Committee Members,

My name is Dr. Gary Yonemoto and I am writing in opposition to SB 371, SD1, HD1. This bill will not ensure or enhance the safety and health of Hawaii residents. Although this bill has been amended (it currently add one dental hygienist to the Board of Dental Examiners), the basic problem with the bill is that it attempts to equate licensed dentists (who are responsible for all of the operations of their office including the work of their staff members) with dental hygienists.

Please do not advance this bill.

Respectfully,

Dr. Gary Yonemoto

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Gerraine Hignite	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I am in support of SB371 SD1, changing the name to Board of Dentistry and Dental Hygiene is an appropriate title since the Board of Dental Examiners no longer conduct exams to license Dentists or Hygienists in the state of Hawaii. In fact, 2005 was the last year the state hygienist exam was conducted in order to be licensed in the state of Hawaii. It was the year I graduated from UH Manoa with a BS in Dental Hygiene. According to a 2015 report, there were approx 1500 licensed dentists and approx 1,000 licensed hygienists registered in Hawaii. The current board consists of 8 dentists, 2 hygienists and 2 public members. It would be appropriate to add more hygienists to the board in order to have a balance to both professions. I humbly ask for your support of SB371 SD1.

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Tuesday, March 28, 2017

**HOUSE COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER PROTECTION &
COMMERCE**

Chair Roy M. Takumi, Vice Chair Linda Ichiyama

Tuesday, 03-28-17, 2:00 PM
State Capitol Room 329

Re: SB 371, Relating to the Board of Dentistry and Dental Hygiene

My name is Harrison Ishida and I am writing in opposition to SB 371, SD1, HD1.

The Hawaii Dental Association is in opposition to this bill and I have authorized the submission of this testimony opposed to it.

Please do not advance this bill.

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER PROTECTION & COMMERCE
March 28, 2017

Dear Committee Members -

I urge you to oppose SB 371.

SB 371 amends the composition of the Board of Dental Examiners to add an additional dental hygienist member and specify that two hygienist members shall reside in the City and County of Honolulu and one shall reside in the County of Hawaii, Maui, or Kauai. On its surface, this bill appears innocuous. Underneath however is a viewpoint that hygienists should be in the business of licensing dentists.

Thank you for your time,

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HOUSE COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER PROTECTION & COMMERCE

Rep. Roy M. Takumi, Chair

Rep. Linda Ichiyama, Vice Chair

March 28, 2017

2:00 PM

Conference Room 329, Hawaii State Capitol

Chair, Vice Chair, and Committee Members,

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Thank you,

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HOUSE COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER PROTECTION &
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Tuesday, March 28, 2017

Testimony in **OPPOSITION to SENATE BILL 371**, Relating
to the Board of Dentistry and Dental Hygiene

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

My name is Jo Ann A. Chang, DDS, and I am writing in
opposition to SB 371, SD1, HD1. This bill will not ensure or
enhance the safety and health of Hawaii residents.

Although this bill has been changed to only add a hygienist,
the basic problem with the bill is that it attempts to equate
licensed dentists who are responsible for all of the
operations of their office including the work of their staff
members with a dental hygienist. I am also concerned that
if this bill continues to advance it might revert to an earlier
version of the bill. Please do not advance this bill.

Thank you for your time,

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Re: Senate Bill 371, Relating to the Board of Dentistry and Dental Hygiene

Hearing: Tuesday, March 28, 2017

2:00 PM

State of Hawaii Capitol Building, Room 329

Aloha Chair Takumi, Vice Chair Ichiyama, and Committee Members,

My name is Dr. Jaclyn Palola and I am writing to respectfully **oppose** SB 371, SD1, HD1. This bill changes the composition of the Board of Dental Examiners which is not in the public's best interest. A prior version of the bill changed the name of the Board of Dental Examiners to the Board of Dentistry and Dental Hygiene (Board). This bill is a step in the wrong direction in terms of increasing the quality, affordability and access to care. Please do not pass SB 371.

March 28, 2017

Aloha House Committee on Consumer Protection and
Commerce -

I am a dentist and I OPPOSE SB 371. I recognize the legislature's intent to promote good oral health policies, but this bill does not accomplish that. The Board of Dental Examiners has adequate representation of hygienists. Additional dental hygienists are not needed for overseeing dentists on the board of dental examiners. Please OPPOSE this bill.

Thank you,

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janet ancheta	Individual	Support	No

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Hearing Location: Hawaii State Capitol, Room 329
Date: Tuesday, March 28, 2017
Time: 2:00 PM

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

My name is Jason C. Ako and I am writing in opposition to this version of SB 371, SD1, HD1 as well as earlier versions. Please defeat this measure.

Thank you for your consideration,

Jason C. Ako, DDS
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THE HAWAII HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER PROTECTION & COMMERCE

Tuesday, March 28, 2017

2:00 PM

RE: SB 371: OPPOSE

Rep. Roy M. Takumi - Chair, Rep. Linda Ichiyama - Vice Chair and
committee members -

I am a dentist in Kaneohe and I OPPOSE SB 371. I recognize the legislature's intent to promote good oral health policies, but this bill does not accomplish that. The Board of Dental Examiners has adequate representation of hygienists

I urge you to hold (do not advance) this measure at this time.

Thank you,

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

Tuesday, March 28, 2017
2:00 PM
Hawaii State Capitol, Room 329
415 South Beretania Street

Aloha Committee Members,

I am writing to respectfully **oppose** SB 371, SD1, HD1, which changes the composition of the Board of Dental Examiners. A prior version of the bill changed the name of the Board of Dental Examiners to the Board of Dentistry and Dental Hygiene (Board). There is an adequate representation of hygienists on the Board of Dental Examiners currently. This bill is a step in the wrong direction in terms of increasing the quality, affordability and access to care.

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Thank you,

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Jill Uehara	Individual	Oppose	No

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To: The Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce

Hawaii State House of Representatives

When: Tuesday, March 28, 2017 at 2:00 PM

Where: Room 329 at the Hawaii State Capitol

Regarding: Testimony in Opposition to Senate Bill 371

Committee Members –

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Thank you,

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Joycelyn Swan	Individual	Support	No

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Tuesday, March 28, 2017, 2:00 PM
PLACE: Conference Room 329
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415 South Beretania Street

To the Honorable Roy M. Takumi and Linda Ichiyama -

My name is Ken Yasuhara, DDS and I am writing in opposition to SB 371, SDI, HDI. This bill will not ensure or enhance the safety and health of Hawaii residents. Although this bill has been changed to only add a hygienist, the basic problem with the bill is that it attempts to equate licensed dentists, who are responsible for all of the operations of their office including the work of their staff members, with dental hygienists.

I am concerned that, if this bill continues to advance, it might revert to an earlier version of the bill which would rename and reconfigure the board. Please do not advance this bill.

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karen guevarra	Individual	Support	No

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House Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce

Date: Tuesday, March 28, 2017
Time: 2:00 PM
Location: Hawaii State Capitol, Room 329

Aloha Chair Takumi, Vice Chair Ichiyama, and Committee Members,

I am writing to respectfully oppose SB 371, SD1, HD1, relating to the board of dentistry and dental hygiene. A prior version of the bill changed the name of the Board of Dental Examiners to the Board of Dentistry and Dental Hygiene (Board). This bill is a step in the wrong direction in terms of increasing the quality, affordability and access to care.

Please defer SB 371.

Thank you for your time,

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HOUSE COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER PROTECTION & COMMERCE

Chair Roy M. Takumi

Vice Chair Linda Ichiyama

Testimony opposing SB 371

March 28, 2017

2:00 PM

Aloha -

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On its surface, this bill appears innocuous. Underneath however is a viewpoint that hygienists should be in the business of licensing dentists.

I oppose SB 371.

Mahalo,

Keri Anne Wong, DDS

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
KEVIN KL CHING DDS	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I am opposed to SB 371 SD1, HD1 Kevin K.L. Ching, DDS 1441 Kapiolani Blvd. Suite 408 Honolulu, HI 96814

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Date: March 28, 2017

Time: 2:00 PM

Committee: House Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce

Room: Hawaii State Capitol, Room 329

Aloha Chair Takumi, Vice Chair Ichiyama, and Committee Members,

My name is Dr. Kevin Suehiro and I believe Senate Bill 371 is a bad precedent. The current version of this bill merely adds a hygienist. This will ultimately put the public at a greater risk. The real problem is that it is attempting to equate dental hygiene with dentistry. Why does this matter? Dentists have the legal responsibility for the operations of their offices and the protection of the health and safety of their patients. Hygienists fall within the dentists' supervision and responsibility. Earlier versions of this bill are particularly troubling. I am opposed to this bill.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Kurt Nishiguchi, DDS	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: My name is Kurt Nishiguchi, DDS and I am writing in opposition to SB 371, SD1, HD1. Please defer this measure.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Dr. Kyle Chock	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: SB 371, SD1, HD1 (OPPOSED)

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COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER PROTECTION & COMMERCE

Rep. Roy M. Takumi, Chair

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DATE: Tuesday, March 28, 2017

TIME: 2:00 PM

PLACE: Conference Room 329

Re: SB 371 SD1 HD1 RELATING TO THE BOARD OF DENTISTRY AND DENTAL HYGIENE

I speak in support of SB371 SD1 HD1. to reflect that the BODE represents the licensed professions of Dentistry and Dental Hygiene. The number of dental hygienists in the State of Hawaii is nearly the same as the number of dentists in Hawaii and as this number continues to increase, the number of hygienists may actually surpass the number of dentists that practice in our state.

The dental hygiene representation on the Board as it now exists is disproportionate and not balanced. This Bill would increase the number of dental hygienists on the BODE.

I have served on the Dental Advisory Committee for the Hawaii Regulated Industry Complaint's Office (RICO) for 23 years and I am honored to continue to do so. I have been a dental hygienist for 48 years having received my RDH and Bachelor's of Science in Dental Hygiene from the U. of Oregon and my Master's of Science in Dental Hygiene Education from Old Dominion University. I am currently working on a Doctoral degree in Health Care Administration. In addition to testifying before you today as licensed clinician in Hawaii, I am also speaking to you as a dental hygiene educator, researcher and practice management consultant. Dental hygienists in Hawaii are well-educated, licensed professionals who should be present in representative numbers to assist in regulating their own profession. I urge you to pass SB371 SD1 HD1.

Sincerely,

Laura A. Mallery-Sayre, RDH. MSDHED

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

Tuesday, March 28, 2017 at 2:00 PM
Hawaii State Capitol, Room 329
415 South Beretania Street, Honolulu Hawaii 96813

Aloha-

I am writing to respectfully oppose SB 371, SDI, HDI, which changes the composition of the Board of Dental Examiners. A prior version of the bill changed the name of the Board of Dental Examiners to the Board of Dentistry and Dental Hygiene (Board). This bill does not increase the quality, affordability and access to care but will have a negative effect going forward.

Please defer SB 371.

Thank you for your consideration,

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

March 28, 2017

Hawaii State Capitol

Room 329

RE: SB 371 – IN OPPOSITION

Aloha Reps. Takumi, Ichiyama, and members of the committee -

I am a dentist in Honolulu and **I OPPOSE SB 371**. I recognize the legislature's intent to promote good oral health policies, but this bill does not accomplish that. The Board of Dental Examiners has adequate representation of hygienists.

Please OPPOSE SB 371.

Thank you,

Lawrence Fujioka, DDS, MAGD

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Leesa Miyasato, DDS	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: Ladies and Gentlemen, I am writing in opposition to SB 371. Please oppose this bill. Leesa Miyasato, DDS 65-1230 Mamalahoa Hwy, Suite E21, Kamuela, HI 96743

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Lili Horton	Individual	Oppose	No

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

SB 371 amends the composition of the Board of Dental Examiners to add an
additional dental hygienist member and specify that two hygienist members shall
reside in the City and County of Honolulu and one shall reside in the County of
Hawaii, Maui, or Kauai. On its surface, this bill appears innocuous. Underneath
however is a viewpoint that hygienists should be in the business of licensing
dentists.

PLEASE DO NOT PASS SB 371.

Thank you,

Lisa Valderueda, DMD

TESTIMONY IN OPPOSITION TO SENATE BILL 371

Tuesday, March 28, 2017 at 2:00 PM

Conference Room 329 at the Hawaii State Capitol

To the House Committee on Consumer Protection and Commerce -

Senate Bill 371 is a bad precedent. The current version of this bill merely adds a hygienist. The real problem is that it is attempting to equate dental hygiene with dentistry. Why does this matter? Dentists have the legal responsibility for the operations of their offices and the protection of the health and safety of their patients. Hygienists fall within the dentists' supervision and responsibility. Earlier versions of this bill are particularly troubling.

Please do not move this measure forward.

Thank you,

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Hawaii State House of Representatives
Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce

Date: Tuesday, March 28, 2017

Time: 2:00 PM

Location: Conference Room 329

Testimony IN OPPOSITION of SB 371, Relating to the Board of Dentistry and Dental Hygiene

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

My name is Dr. Malia Kamisugi and I am writing in opposition to SB 371, SD1, HD1. This bill will not ensure or enhance the safety and health of Hawaii residents.

Please do not advance this bill.

Thank you,

Dr. Malia Kamisugi

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

Date: March 28, 2017

Time: 2:00 PM

Location: Hawaii State Capitol, Room 329

Dear Chair Takumi, Vice Chair Ichiyama, and Committee Members,

I am writing to respectfully **oppose** SB 371, SD1, HD1, which changes the composition of the Board of Dental Examiners. A prior version of the bill changed the name of the Board of Dental Examiners to the Board of Dentistry and Dental Hygiene (Board). This bill is a step in the wrong direction in terms of increasing the quality, affordability and access to care.

Please defer SB 371.

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COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER PROTECTION & COMMERCE
HAWAII STATE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
March 28, 2017 at 2:00 PM
Conference Room 329 at the Hawaii State Capitol

Aloha -

Senate Bill 371 is a bad precedent. The current version of this bill merely adds a hygienist. The real problem is that it is attempting to equate dental hygiene with dentistry. Why does this matter? Dentists have the legal responsibility for the operations of their offices and the protection of the health and safety of their patients. Hygienists fall within the dentists' supervision and responsibility. Earlier versions of this bill are particularly troubling. **I am opposed to this bill.**

Thank you for reading my testimony.

Mark D. Sakurai, DDS

Tuesday, March 28, 2017, 2:00 PM
House Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce
Location: Hawaii State Capitol, Room 329

Aloha Chair Takumi, Vice Chair Ichiyama, and Committee Members,

I am writing to respectfully **oppose SB 371, SD1, HD1**, which changes the composition of the Board of Dental Examiners. By reducing the Boards level of expertise, this ultimately puts the public at a greater risk. A prior version of the bill changed the name of the Board of Dental Examiners to the Board of Dentistry and Dental Hygiene (Board). This bill is a step in the wrong direction in terms of increasing the quality, affordability and access to care. Please defer SB 371.

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HOUSE COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER PROTECTION & COMMERCE

Rep. Roy M. Takumi, Chair

Rep. Linda Ichiyama, Vice Chair

Tuesday, March 28, 2017

2:00 PM

Conference Room 329

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

Chair, Vice Chair and Committee Members -

On its surface, Senate Bill 371 appears innocuous. Underneath however is a viewpoint that hygienists should be in the business of licensing dentists.

I am opposed to this bill.

Thanks,

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Roy M. Takumi, Chair
Linda Ichiyama, Vice Chair
Consumer Protection and Commerce Committee
Hawaii State House of Representatives

Hearing Date and Time: Tuesday, March 28, 2017 at 2:00 PM

Regarding: SB 371 – in opposition

Aloha -

Senate Bill 371 is a bad precedent. The current version of this bill merely adds a hygienist. The real problem is that it is attempting to equate dental hygiene with dentistry.

Why does this matter? Dentists have the legal responsibility for the operations of their offices and the protection of the health and safety of their patients. Hygienists fall within the dentists' supervision and responsibility. Earlier versions of this bill are particularly troubling. I am opposed to this bill.

Thank you for considering my testimony opposing SB 371.

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

I OPPOSE SB 371.

The Board of Dental Examiners has adequate representation of hygienists.

Please HOLD this measure.

Thank you,

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HOUSE COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER PROTECTION & COMMERCE
MARCH 28, 2017
CONFERENCE ROOM 329

COMMITTEE MEMBERS,

SENATE BILL 371 IS A BAD PRECEDENT. THE CURRENT VERSION OF THIS BILL MERELY ADDS A HYGIENIST. THE REAL PROBLEM IS THAT IT IS ATTEMPTING TO EQUATE DENTAL HYGIENE WITH DENTISTRY. WHY DOES THIS MATTER? DENTISTS HAVE THE LEGAL RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE OPERATIONS OF THEIR OFFICES AND THE PROTECTION OF THE HEALTH AND SAFETY OF THEIR PATIENTS. HYGIENISTS FALL WITHIN THE DENTISTS' SUPERVISION AND RESPONSIBILITY. EARLIER VERSIONS OF THIS BILL ARE PARTICULARLY TROUBLING. **I AM OPPOSED TO THIS BILL.**

THANK YOU,

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| Dr. Michelle Kobayashi |

Tuesday, March 28, 2017

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER PROTECTION & COMMERCE

Roy M. Takumi, Chair

Linda Ichiyama, Vice Chair

Members of the Committee

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

My name is Michelle Kobayashi and I am writing **in opposition to SB 371, SDI, HDI**. This bill will not ensure or enhance the safety and health of Hawaii residents. Although this bill has been changed to only add a hygienist, the basic problem with the bill is that it attempts to equate licensed dentists who are responsible for all of the operations of their office including the work of their staff members with a dental hygienist. I am also concerned that if this bill continues to advance it might revert to an earlier version of the bill. Please do not advance this bill.

Thank you for your time,

Dr. Michelle Kobayashi

Honolulu, HI 96821

Tuesday, March 28, 2017

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

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

My name is Milton Murasaki, DDS, and I am writing in
opposition to SB 371, SD1, HD1. My testimony is that this bill
will not advance the oral health of residents.

This version of the bill has been changed to only add a
hygienist, the bill is attempts to equate licensed dentists who are
responsible for all of the operations of their office including the
work of their staff members with a dental hygienist.

Please do not advance this bill.

Mahalo,
Milton Murasaki DDS

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER PROTECTION & COMMERCE
REPRESENTATIVE ROY M. TAKUMI, CHAIR
REPRESENTATIVE LINDA ICHiyAMA, VICE CHAIR

TUESDAY, MARCH 28, 2017, 2:00 PM
LOCATION: HAWAII STATE CAPITOL, ROOM 329

DEAR CHAIR TAKUMI, VICE CHAIR ICHiyAMA, AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS,

I AM WRITING TO RESPECTFULLY OPPOSE SB 371, SDI, HDI. THIS BILL CHANGES THE COMPOSITION OF THE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS WHILE I BELIEVE THE BOARD OF DENTAL EAMINERS ALREADY DOES AN ADEQUATE JOB. A PRIOR VERSION OF THE BILL CHANGED THE NAME OF THE BOARD OF DENTAL EXAMINERS TO THE BOARD OF DENTISTRY AND DENTAL HYGIENE (BOARD). THIS BILL IS A STEP IN THE WRONG DIRECTION IN TERMS OF INCREASING THE QUALITY, AFFORDABILITY AND ACCESS TO CARE. PLEASE DEFER SB 371.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME,

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Neil Furuya	Individual	Oppose	No

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Representative Roy M. Takumi, Chair
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House Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce

Tuesday, March 28, 2017
Conference Room 329 at 2:00 PM
415 South Beretania Street

Aloha Chair Takumi, Vice Chair Ichiyama, and Committee Members,

I am writing to respectfully **oppose** SB 371, SD1, HD1, which changes the composition of the Board of Dental Examiners. A prior version of the bill changed the name of the Board of Dental Examiners to the Board of Dentistry and Dental Hygiene (Board). There is not a need for hygienist to have more oversight on the Board of Dental Examiners. This bill is a step in the wrong direction in terms of increasing the quality, affordability and access to care.

I urge you to hold this bill.

Mahalo,

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Noelani Greene	Individual	Support	No

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Testimony for CPC on Mar 28, 2017 14:00PM in Conference Room 329

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Norman S. Chun	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: The majority of issues that face the Board of Dental Examiners involve the dentists and not dental hygienist. Therefore, adding a dental hygienist is not a solution but an added problem.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Dr. Paul Tanaka	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I am a dentist in Honolulu and I OPPOSE SB 371. The Board of Dental Examiners has adequate representation of hygienists.

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Rep. Roy M. Takumi, Chair
Rep. Linda Ichiyama, Vice Chair

Tuesday, March 28, 2017 at 2:00 PM
Conference Room 329, Hawaii State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street, Honolulu HI 96813

Aloha -

Senate Bill 371 amends the composition of the Board of Dental Examiners to add an additional dental hygienist member and specify that two hygienist members shall reside in the City and County of Honolulu and one shall reside in the County of Hawaii, Maui, or Kauai.

On its surface, this bill appears innocuous. Underneath however is a viewpoint that hygienists should be in the business of licensing dentists.

I am opposed to this bill.

Thank you for reading my testimony.

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Peter Kanazawa	Individual	Oppose	No

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Committee on Consumer Protection and Commerce
House of Representatives
March 28, 2017
Conference Room 329, State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

Aloha Chair and Vice Chair -

SB 371 amends the composition of the Board of Dental Examiners to add an additional dental hygienist member and specify that two hygienist members shall reside in the City and County of Honolulu and one shall reside in the County of Hawaii, Maui, or Kauai. On its surface, this bill appears innocuous. Underneath however is a viewpoint that hygienists should be in the business of licensing dentists.

I am opposed to this measure.

Mahalo,

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

Date: Tuesday, March 28, 2017
Time: 2:00 PM
Location: Hawaii State Capitol, Room 329
415 South Beretania Street

Aloha Chair Takumi, Vice Chair Ichiyama, and Committee Members,

I am writing to respectfully **oppose** SB 371, SD1, HD1, which changes the composition of the Board of Dental Examiners. A prior version of the bill changed the name of the Board of Dental Examiners to the Board of Dentistry and Dental Hygiene (Board). I believe that this bill does not advance the best interests of increasing the quality, affordability and access to care to the residents of Hawaii.

Please defer SB 371.

| Randall P. Jaurequi DDS

Testimony for SB 371

Position: OPPOSE

Hearing: Tuesday, March 28, 2017

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER PROTECTION & COMMERCE

Hawaii State Capitol, Room 329

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

My name is Randall P. Jaurequi and I am writing in **opposition** to SB 371, SD1, HD1. This bill does not achieve the goal of promoting oral health in Hawaii.

This bill version of the bill has been changed to add a dental hygienist to the Board, I am also concerned that if this bill continues to advance it might revert to an earlier version of the bill.

Please do not advance this bill.

Warm Regards,

Randall P. Jaurequi DDS
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House Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce
Representative Roy M. Takumi, Chair
Representative Linda Ichiyama, Vice Chair

Tuesday, March 28, 2017
2:00 PM
Location: Hawaii State Capitol, Room 329
415 South Beretania Street

Aloha Chair Takumi, Vice Chair Ichiyama, and Committee Members,

I am writing in opposition to SB371.

Senate Bill 371 is a bad precedent. The current version of this bill merely adds a hygienist. The real problem is that it is attempting to equate dental hygiene with dentistry. Dentists have a total of 8 years of training while Hygiene programs vary from 2-4 years. Why does this matter? Dentists have the legal responsibility for the operations of their offices and the protection of the health and safety of their patients. Hygienists fall within the dentists' supervision and responsibility. Earlier versions of this bill are particularly troubling. I am opposed to this bill.

Thank you for your time,

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Tuesday, March 28, 2017

Re: Senate Bill 371, relating to the board of dentistry and dental hygiene

Aloha Chair Takumi, Vice Chair Ichiyama, and Committee Members,

I am writing to respectfully oppose SB 371, SD1, HD1, which changes the composition of the Board of Dental Examiners. A prior version of the bill changed the name of the Board of Dental Examiners to the Board of Dentistry and Dental Hygiene (Board). Adding more members to the Board of Dental examiners will not only increase costs but not improve the patient's safety. This bill is a step in the wrong direction in terms of increasing the quality, affordability and access to care. Please defer SB 371.

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER PROTECTION & COMMERCE

Rep. Roy M. Takumi, Chair

Rep. Linda Ichiyama, Vice Chair

Tuesday, March 28, 2017

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 Kaneohe and I OPPOSE SB 371. I recognize the legislature's intent to promote good oral health policies, but this bill does not accomplish that. The Board of Dental Examiners has adequate representation of hygienists. Paralegals do not license lawyers and neither should hygienists be responsible for overseeing dentists. **Please OPPOSE this bill.**

Thank you,

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House Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce

March 28, 2017, 2:00 PM

Hawaii State Capitol, Room 329

Aloha Chair Takumi, Vice Chair Ichiyama, and Committee Members,

My name is Dr. Richard Tamaru and I am in opposition of SB 371 relating to the board of dentistry and dental hygiene.

I am writing to respectfully oppose SB 371, SD1, HD1, which changes the composition of the Board of Dental Examiners. A prior version of the bill changed the name of the Board of Dental Examiners to the Board of Dentistry and Dental Hygiene (Board). This bill is a step in the wrong direction in terms of increasing the quality, affordability and access to care.

Please defer SB 371.

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Robert Baysa	Individual	Oppose	No

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Russell Fitton	Individual	Oppose	No

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Russell Masunaga	Individual	Oppose	No

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

March 28, 2017
Hawaii State Capitol, Room 329, 2:00 PM

Chair, Vice Chair, and members of the committee,

I am writing to respectfully **oppose** SB 371, SD1, HD1, which changes the composition of the Board of Dental Examiners. A prior version of the bill changed the name of the Board of Dental Examiners to the Board of Dentistry and Dental Hygiene (Board). Dentists are licensed and have more training than dental hygienists. This bill is a step in the wrong direction in terms of increasing the quality, affordability and access to care.

Please defer SB 371.

Thank you,
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HOUSE COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER PROTECTION & COMMERCE
Rep. Roy M. Takumi, Chair
Rep. Linda Ichiyama, Vice Chair

Tuesday, March 28, 2017
2:00 PM
PLACE: Conference Room 329
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

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

My name is Ryan D. Lee and I am writing in opposition to SB 371, SD1, HD1. This bill will not ensure or enhance the safety and health of Hawaii residents. Although this bill has been changed to only add a hygienist, the basic problem with the bill is that it attempts to equate licensed dentists who are responsible for all of the operations of their office including the work of their staff members with a dental hygienist. I am also concerned that if this bill continues to advance it might revert to an earlier version of the bill. Please do not advance this bill.

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HOUSE COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER PROTECTION & COMMERCE

Rep. Roy M. Takumi, Chair

Rep. Linda Ichiyama, Vice Chair

Tuesday, March 28, 2017

2:00 PM

Conference Room 329

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

RE: Testimony in opposition to Senate Bill 371

Aloha -

Senate Bill 371 is a bad precedent. The current version of this bill merely adds a hygienist. The real problem is that it is attempting to equate dental hygiene with dentistry. Why does this matter? Dentists have the legal responsibility for the operations of their offices and the protection of the health and safety of their patients. Hygienists fall within the dentists' supervision and responsibility. Earlier versions of this bill are particularly troubling. **I am opposed to this bill.**

Thank you,

Dr. Scott Masunaga

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To: Roy M. Takumi, Chair and Linda Ichiyama, Vice Chair
Consumer Protection and Commerce Committee, House of Representatives
Date and time: March 28, 2017 at 2:00 PM

Chair, Vice Chair and committee members,

SB 371 amends the composition of the Board of Dental Examiners to add an additional dental hygienist member and specify that two hygienist members shall reside in the City and County of Honolulu and one shall reside in the County of Hawaii, Maui, or Kauai.

On its surface, this bill appears innocuous. Underneath however is a viewpoint that hygienists should be in the business of licensing dentists.

I am opposed to this bill.

Thank you for reading my testimony.

Scott Morita, DDS

HOUSE COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER PROTECTION & COMMERCE

Tuesday, March 28, 2017

Conference Room 329

415 South Beretania Street

Honolulu, HI 96813

Aloha -

I am opposed to SB 371.

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Thank you,

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SB371

Submitted on: 3/26/2017

Testimony for CPC on Mar 28, 2017 14:00PM in Conference Room 329

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Sierra Spruce	Individual	Support	No

Comments: I support SB371. It's unfortunate that the bill has been amended to delete the original intent: that being to change the name of the Board of Dental Examiners to to the Board of Dentistry and Dental Hygiene. This Board is no longer in the business of conducting Dental Examinations. Those can be handled by regional boards. Also the name change would have better reflected who this board represents. Also I supported having more hygienists board members to represent more fully the number of hygienists in Hawaii. This bill in the amended form adds just one additional hygienist.

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Rep. Roy M. Takumi, Chair
Rep. Linda Ichiyama, Vice Chair

Tuesday, March 28, 2017
2:00 PM
Conference Room 329
Hawaii State Capitol

Testimony in opposition to SB 371

Aloha -

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Mahalo,

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HOUSE COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER PROTECTION & COMMERCE

Rep. Roy M. Takumi, Chair

Rep. Linda Ichiyama, Vice Chair

Tuesday, March 28, 2017

2:00 PM

Conference Room 329

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

Chair Takumi, Vice Chair Ichiyama, and committee members –

Senate Bill 371 is a bad precedent.

Dentists have the legal responsibility for the operations of their offices and the protection of the health and safety of their patients. Hygienists fall within the dentists' supervision and responsibility.

I am opposed to this bill.

Thank you reading my testimony.

Stephen Sueda, DDS

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March 28, 2017
2:00 PM
Hearing on Senate Bill 371
House Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce
Conference Room 329

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

My name is Steve Pine and I am writing in opposition to SB 371, SD1, HD1. This bill will not ensure or enhance the safety and health of Hawaii residents.

Although this bill has been changed to only add a hygienist, the basic problem with the bill is that it attempts to equate licensed dentists who are responsible for all of the operations of their office including the work of their staff members with a dental hygienist. I am also concerned that if this bill continues to advance it might revert to an earlier version of the bill.

I am writing to respectfully oppose this measure.

Please do not advance this bill.

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SB371

Submitted on: 3/27/2017

Testimony for CPC on Mar 28, 2017 14:00PM in Conference Room 329

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
STEVEN KUMASAKA DDS	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: Please do not advance SB 371. This bill is not needed and does not advance the mission of oral health for our state. Steven A. Kumasaka, DDS

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To: HOUSE COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER PROTECTION
& COMMERCE

Location: Hawaii State Capitol, Room 329

Time: 2:00 PM

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

My name is Steven Sakata and I am writing in opposition to SB
371, SD1, HD1. This bill will not ensure or enhance the safety
and health of Hawaii residents. Although this bill has been
changed to only add a hygienist, the basic problem with the bill
is that it attempts to equate licensed dentists who are
responsible for all of the operations of their office including the
work of their staff members with a dental hygienist. I am also
concerned that if this bill continues to advance it might revert
to an earlier version of the bill. Please do not advance this bill.

Please oppose SB 371.

Thankyou,

Steven Sakata

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HOUSE COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER PROTECTION &
COMMERCE

Rep. Roy M. Takumi, Chair and
Members of the Committee

Tuesday, March 28, 2017 at 2:00 PM
Conference Room 329, State Capitol, 415 South Beretania Street

Aloha Chair Takumi and Committee Members -

Senate Bill 371 sets a bad precedent. The current version of this bill merely adds a dental hygienist to the Board of Dental Examiners.

Please do not support this bill.

Thank you,

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To: The Committee on Consumer Protection & Commerce
Hawaii State House Representatives
Date: Tuesday, March 28, 2017 at 2:00 PM
Location: Hawaii State Capitol, Room 329

Regarding: Testimony in OPPOSITION to SB 371

Aloha Chair Takumi, Vice Chair Ichiyama, and Committee Members,

I am writing to respectfully **oppose** SB 371, SD1, HD1, which changes the composition of the Board of Dental Examiners. A prior version of the bill changed the name of the Board of Dental Examiners to the Board of Dentistry and Dental Hygiene (Board). Dentists are more qualified than hygienists and would create an imbalance on the Board of Dental Examiners. This bill is a step in the wrong direction in terms of increasing the quality, affordability and access to care. Please defer SB 371.

Thank you,

Tammy Chang-Motooka DDS, MS

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Teri A Matsumura	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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SB371

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Testimony for CPC on Mar 28, 2017 14:00PM in Conference Room 329

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Dr. Terrence Cleveland	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments: I am a dentist in Honolulu and I OPPOSE SB 371. I recognize the legislature's intent to promote good oral health policies, but this bill does not accomplish that. The Board of Dental Examiners has adequate representation of hygienists. Paralegals do not license lawyers and neither should hygienists be responsible for overseeing dentists. Please OPPOSE this bill. Thank you, Terrance Cleveland, DDS 1580 Makaloa St. #940 Honolulu, HI 96814 tclevelanddds@gmail.com

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**TO: HOUSE COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER PROTECTION &
COMMERCE**

DATE: Tuesday, March 28, 2017

TIME: 2:00 PM

PLACE: Hawaii State Capitol, Room 329

**Aloha Chair Roy M. Takumi, Vice Chair Linda Ichiyama, and
committee members -**

I OPPOSE SB 371.

**The Board of Dental Examiners has adequate representation of
hygienists. Paralegals do not license lawyers and neither should
hygienists be responsible for overseeing dentists. Please OPPOSE this
bill.**

Thank you,

Tian He, DMD

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Tiffani Dunn	Individual	Oppose	No

Comments:

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Testimony in opposition to Senate Bill 371 relating to the board of dentistry and dental hygiene

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

On its surface, SB 371 appears innocuous. Underneath however, is a viewpoint that hygienists should be in the business of licensing dentists.

Please oppose this measure.

Mahalo,

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HOUSE COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER PROTECTION & COMMERCE

Rep. Roy M. Takumi, Chair
Rep. Linda Ichiyama, Vice Chair

Tuesday, March 28, 2017

2:00 PM

PLACE: Conference Room 329

State Capitol

415 South Beretania Street

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

My name is Todd K. Haruki, DDS, MD, and I am writing in *opposition* to SB 371, SD1, HD1.

Senate Bill 371 is a bad precedent. The current version of this bill merely adds a hygienist. The real problem is that it is attempting to equate dental hygiene with dentistry. Why does this matter? Dentists have the legal responsibility for the operations of their offices and the protection of the health and safety of their patients. Hygienists fall within the dentists' supervision and responsibility. Earlier versions of this bill are particularly troubling.

I am opposed to this bill.

Sincerely,

Todd K. Haruki DDS, MD
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HOUSE COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER PROTECTION & COMMERCE

Tuesday, March 28, 2017, 2:00 PM

PLACE: Hawaii State Capitol, Room 329

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

My name is Victor G. Romley and I am writing in **opposition** to SB 371, SD1, HD1. This bill will not ensure or enhance the safety and health of Hawaii residents. Although this bill has been changed to only add a hygienist, the basic problem with the bill is that it attempts to equate licensed dentists who are responsible for all of the operations of their office including the work of their staff members with a dental hygienist. I am also concerned that if this bill continues to advance it might revert to an earlier version of the bill. Please do not advance this bill.

Sincerely,

Dr. Victor G. Romley

**DR. WAYNE S H LEONG
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TUESDAY, MARCH 28, 2017, 2:00 PM

**HOUSE COMMITTEES ON CONSUMER PROTECTION & COMMERCE
CHAIR ROY M. TAKUMI
VICE CHAIR LINDA ICHIYAMA**

**RE: SENATE BILL 371, RELATING TO THE BOARD OF DENTISTRY AND DENTAL
HYGIENE**

ALOHA COMMITTEE MEMBERS,

**MY NAME IS DR. WAYNE S. H. LEONG AND I AM WRITING IN OPPOSITION TO SB
371, SD1, HD1. THIS BILL WILL NOT ENSURE OR ENHANCE THE SAFETY AND
HEALTH OF HAWAII RESIDENTS. ALTHOUGH THIS BILL HAS BEEN CHANGED TO
ONLY ADD A HYGIENIST, THE BASIC PROBLEM WITH THE BILL IS THAT IT
ATTEMPTS TO EQUATE LICENSED DENTISTS (WHO ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL
OF THE OPERATIONS OF THEIR OFFICE INCLUDING THE WORK OF THEIR STAFF
MEMBERS) WITH A DENTAL HYGIENIST IN A MANNER WHICH IS NOT NECESSARY
OR ADVISABLE. I AM ALSO OPPOSED TO EARLIER VERSIONS OF THIS MEASURE.**

PLEASE DO NOT ADVANCE THIS BILL.

CONSUMER PROTECTION & COMMERCE COMMITTEE
HAWAII STATE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
Rep. Roy M. Takumi, Chair
Rep. Linda Ichiyama, Vice Chair

Tuesday, March 28, 2017
2:00 PM
Conference Room 329
State Capitol
415 South Beretania Street

Testimony opposing SB 371

Dear Hawaii State House of Representatives,

SB 371 amends the composition of the Board of Dental Examiners to add an additional dental hygienist member and specify that two hygienist members shall reside in the City and County of Honolulu and one shall reside in the County of Hawaii, Maui, or Kauai. On its surface, this bill appears innocuous. Underneath however is a viewpoint that hygienists should be in the business of licensing dentists.

Please do not move SB 371 forward.

Thank you,

Wesley Choy
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March 28, 2017

Conference Room 329, Hawaii State Capitol

In opposition to SB 371 relating to the board of dentistry and dental hygiene

Rep. Takumi, Rep. Ichiyama, and House CPC committee members -

On its surface, SB 371 appears innocuous. Underneath however, is a viewpoint that hygienists should be in the business of licensing dentists.

I am opposed to this bill.

Thank you,

William Lum, DDS

Rep. Roy M. Takumi, Chair
Rep. Linda Ichiyama, Vice Chair
House of Representatives Consumer Protection and Commerce Committee

March 28, 2017
Hawaii State Capitol Conference Room 329, 2:00 pm

Chair, Vice Chair, and members of the committee -

If pass, Senate Bill 371 would set a bad precedent.

The current version of this bill merely adds a hygienist.

The real problem is that it is attempting to equate dental hygiene with dentistry.

Why does this matter?

Dentists have the legal responsibility for the operations of their offices and the protection of the health and safety of their patients. Hygienists fall within the dentists' supervision and responsibility.

Earlier versions of this bill are particularly troubling.

I am opposed to this bill.

Thank you,

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HOUSE COMMITTEE ON CONSUMER PROTECTION & COMMERCE

March 28, 2017

2:00 PM

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State Capitol, 415 South Beretania Street

Aloha Rep. Roy Takumi and Committee Members -

I am a dentist in Ewa Beach and **I OPPOSE SB 371**. I recognize the legislature's intent to promote good oral health policies, but this bill does not accomplish that. The Board of Dental Examiners has adequate representation of hygienists.

Mahalo,

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Dr. Yui Kai Choy	Individual	Oppose	No

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Thank you,

Zach Dodson, DDS

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