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**Testimony of the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs**

**Before the  
Senate Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection  
Thursday, March 24, 2022  
9:30 a.m.  
Via Videoconference**

**On the following measure:  
S.R. 39, REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND CONSUMER  
AFFAIRS TO PROVIDE INFORMATION AND CONDUCT CAREER-ORIENTED  
PRESENTATIONS FOR HIGH SCHOOL JUNIORS AND SENIORS IN THE STATE  
REGARDING PROFESSIONS SUBJECT TO LICENSURE AND CERTIFICATION BY  
THE PROFESSIONAL AND VOCATIONAL LICENSING DIVISION**

Chair Baker and Members of the Committee:

My name is Ahlani Quiogue, and I am the Licensing Administrator of the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs' (Department) Professional and Vocational Licensing Division (Division). The Department appreciates the intent of and offers comments on this resolution.

The purpose of this measure is to request that the Department provide information and conduct career-oriented presentations for high school juniors and seniors throughout the State regarding professions subject to licensure and certification by the Division.

While the Department appreciates the intent of this resolution, it is unsure whether it is the appropriate agency to do so. The Division is able to provide information regarding the requirements for licensure of each profession, trade, or

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vocation it regulates, but beyond that, it would be reliant upon the information provided by members of the profession or professional organizations to address questions beyond its purview (e.g., benefits of the profession, average salary, etc.)

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this resolution.