

# GM572

**Measure Title:** Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Board of Speech Pathology and Audiology, Gubernatorial Nominee, JUNE UYEHARA ISONO, for a term to expire 6-30-2018.

**Report Title:** Board of Speech Pathology and Audiology

**Description:**

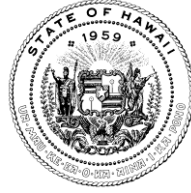
**Companion:**

**Package:**

**Current Referral:** CPN

**Introducer(s):**

<u>Sort by Date</u>		<b>Status Text</b>
4/1/2015	S	Received.
4/1/2015	S	Referred to CPN.
4/2/2015	S	The committee(s) on CPN has scheduled a public hearing on 04-17-15 8:30AM in conference room 229.



DAVID Y. IGE  
GOVERNOR  
SHAN S. TSUTSUI  
LT. GOVERNOR

STATE OF HAWAII  
OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR  
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS

335 MERCHANT STREET, ROOM 310  
P.O. Box 541  
HONOLULU, HAWAII 96809  
Phone Number: 586-2850  
Fax Number: 586-2856  
<http://cca.hawaii.gov/dcca>

CATHERINE P. AWAKUNI COLÓN  
DIRECTOR  
JO ANN M. UCHIDA TAKEUCHI  
DEPUTY DIRECTOR

TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON  
COMMERCE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION

TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE  
Regular Session of 2015

Friday, April 17, 2015  
8:30 a.m.

**TESTIMONY ON GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE NO. 572.**

TO THE HONORABLE ROSALYN H. BAKER, CHAIR,  
AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE:

My name is Sandra Matsushima and I am the Executive Officer for the Board of Speech Pathology and Audiology ("Board"), Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs ("Department"). The Department thanks you for the opportunity to testify on Governor's Message No. 572, regarding the **reappointment** of June M. Uyehara-Isono, Au.D., to the Board. The Department supports the confirmation of Dr. Uyehara-Isono's reappointment to the Board.

Dr. Uyehara Isono is being reappointed as an audiologist member. She has been licensed since July 9, 1979, and her license is current, active, and in good standing. She has served on the Board since July 2, 2012 and has attended three of six meetings. With her more than thirty years of experience, Dr. Uyehara-Isono brings

to the Board her knowledge of the field of audiology. Dr. Uyehara-Isono's experience as an audiologist and her desire to contribute to the community is an asset to the Board.

The Department supports the confirmation of June Uyehara-Isono, Au.D., to the Board of Speech Pathology and Audiology, and thanks you for the opportunity to provide testimony.

**TESTIMONY OF ROBERT TOYOFUKU IN SUPPORT OF THE NOMINATION OF  
JUNE UYEHARA-ISONO TO THE BOARD OF SPEECH PATHOLOGY AND  
AUDIOLOGY**

April 17, 2015

To: Chairperson Rosalyn Baker and Members of the Senate Committee on Commerce and Consumer Protection:

My name is Bob Toyofuku and I am submitting this testimony in support of the nomination of June Uyehara-Isono as Gubernatorial nominee to the Board of Speech Pathology and Audiology.

I have known Dr. Uyehara-Isono for a few years and feel that she would continue to be an excellent member of the Board. She is noted for her competence, hard work, organizational skills, and her positive attitude. Dr. Isono is viewed as an outstanding doctor of audiology and has always conducted herself with integrity and in a professional manner. She is very dedicated to community issues and I am confident that she will continue to be a contributing member of the Board of Speech Pathology and Audiology and I strongly support her nomination.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit this testimony.

- (1) Why do you want to be a member of the Board? Due to the rapid changes in the fields of Audiology, it is important that the state keep up with the changes happening in legislation and licensure
- (2) What do you perceive are the roles and responsibilities of a member of the Board? To adequately determine the requirements for licensure and to insure that licensees meet those requirements.
- (3) In what ways do you feel that you can help protect the consumer? To insure that those individuals licensed have fulfilled the requirements of their field and to complete all necessary experience and education needs for each field.
- (4) Given your understanding of the roles and responsibilities of a Board member, why do you believe that you are qualified for the position? Please include a brief statement of your skills, expertise and knowledge that would aid you as a member of the Board. I have worked with DCCA for approximately 30 years, serving on three different boards. I feel that I have the experience of how the DCCA works and the skills necessary in my field to contribute to adequately insuring public safety
- (5) What do you hope to accomplish during your term of service? To insure that the state regulations for licensure stays current and consistent with federal and national requirements
- (6) Name three qualities that best describe you and how these qualities will benefit the Board. Knowledge of DCCA, familiarity and understanding of statutes and rules and regulations.

(7) Name a previous experience you've had that will be beneficial as a Board member.

(8) Can you foresee any possible conflicts of interest that could arise during your service on the Board? How would you overcome conflicts of interest?

I have excused myself on several matters that involved individuals that are known to me. Since I have served for many years, I understand how these matters can be difficult.