

DISABILITY AND COMMUNICATION ACCESS BOARD

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TESTIMONY TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON COMMERCE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION, AND HEALTH

Governor's Message 561

Submitting for consideration and confirmation to the Disability and Communication Access Board

Gubernatorial Nominee William Bow, For a term to expire June 30, 2019

The Disability and Communication Access Board is in support of the nomination of Mr. William H.Q. Bow to our Board. The Board is a seventeen-member board, of which a majority are people with disabilities, their families, or caregivers. Mr. Bow is a civil engineer and the President/Principal Engineer for Bow Engineering and Development, Inc.

Mr. Bow has already been a part of the Board since November 23, 2015, serving as an interim appointment to fill a vacancy of an architect whose term concluded. He is already participating as a member on our Standing Committee on Facility Access.

Mr. Bow has been involved in a variety of design projects and master plans that have required knowledge of the Americans with Disabilities Act Accessibility Guidelines. Mr. Bow's appointment to the Board is timely as we move toward the adoption of design guidelines in the outdoor developed area.

We welcome his participation and input, and recommend your confirmation of his nomination.

Respectfully submitted,

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VIA E-MAIL: CPHtestimony@capitol.hawaii.gov. Attention: Chair Roz Baker and Vice Chair Michelle Kidani

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I strongly support William H.Q. Bow's nomination to the Disability and Communication Access Board. Mr. Bow has been involved in many design projects that has provided accessibility to the public, and his experience as a civil engineer will be an asset to the Board.

Additionally, I have known Mr. Bow for over thirty (30) years, and he has always conducted himself with the utmost fairness, integrity and professionalism.

ery truly yours, SON G. F. WONG