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Testimony to Senate Committee on Commerce, Consumer Protection, and Affordable Housing

Feb 29, 9 am, Room 229

SB 1789, SD1 Relating to Public Access Television

Do not support this bill in its present form. The matter is simple. PEG contracts should not be exempted from HRS ch.103d.

The PEGs receive public funds as per the vehicle mandated by the Legislature. There is no reason to treat the PEGs differently from any other category that receives large amounts of public funds. And especially one that has not supported the First Amendment and has sued the state in order to not act in a transparent manner.

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