

**SB533**



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**TESTIMONY OF THE  
CHIEF ELECTION OFFICER, OFFICE OF ELECTIONS  
TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY AND GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS  
ON SENATE BILL NO. 533  
RELATING TO ELECTIONS**

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Chair Taniguchi and members of the Senate Committee on Judiciary and Government Operations, thank you for the opportunity to testify on House Bill No. 533. The purpose of this bill is to clarify provision relating to candidate filing, withdrawal and filling of vacancies by political parties.

The Office of Elections takes no position on this bill. This is a policy decision for the legislature. The OE appreciates the efforts by the committee to address possible ways to ameliorate potential confusion and uncertainty in the candidate filing process.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on Senate Bill No. 533.

Respectfully Submitted

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