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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO ELECTIONS.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that county neighborhood
2 boards have very competitive elections with many candidates
3 receiving campaign contributions to finance their election. The
4 legislature is concerned about possible undue interest group
5 influence in the neighborhood board elections, in view of the
6 current practice of mailing out newsletters, brochures, or door
7 flyers to promote a candidate.

8 The legislature further finds that campaign contributions
9 used by candidates for neighborhood boards to finance the
10 printing and mailing of campaign materials should be disclosed.

11 The purpose of this Act is to:

12 (1) Repeal the exclusion of county neighborhoods boards
13 from the election campaign contributions and
14 expenditures law; and

15 (2) Require an organizational report to be filed with the
16 campaign spending commission by any neighborhood board
17 candidate who receives contributions or makes



1 expenditures of more than a specified statutory amount
2 for the printing and mailing of campaign material.

3 SECTION 2. Section 11-302, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
4 amended by amending the definition of "office" to read as
5 follows:

6 "Office" means any Hawaii elective public or
7 constitutional office, excluding [~~county neighborhood board and~~]
8 federal elective offices."

9 SECTION 3. Section 11-321, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
10 amended as follows:

11 1. By amending its title to read:

12 "[~~§~~§11-321~~§~~] **Registration of candidate committee or**
13 **noncandidate committee.**"

14 2. By amending subsection (d) to read:

15 "(d) The organizational report for a candidate committee
16 shall be filed within ten days of the earlier of:

17 (1) The date the candidate files nomination papers for
18 office; or

19 (2) The date the candidate or candidate committee receives
20 contributions or makes or incurs expenditures of more
21 than \$100 in the aggregate during the applicable
22 election period~~[-]~~, or in the case of a candidate for



Report Title:

Neighborhood Boards; Election Campaigns; Contributions

Description:

Applies the election campaign contributions and expenditures law to candidates for the neighborhood boards; requires candidates for neighborhood board elections to file an organizational report with the campaign spending commission regarding campaign contributions used for printing and mailing campaign material.

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