Senate PGM Committee Chair Will Espero, Vice Chair Michelle Kidani

Tuesday 2/7/12 at 2:45PM in Room 224 SB2566 – Relating to Campaigns

TESTIMONY Nikki Love, Executive Director, Common Cause Hawaii

Chair Espero, Vice Chair Kidani, and Committee Members:

Common Cause Hawaii supports SB2566. This bill requires government contractors to explicitly agree through a provision in their contracts to be subject to the prohibition on campaign contributions during the duration of their contract.

Hawaii's "pay to play" prohibition serves as an important step toward addressing the undue influence of money in politics and bolstering public trust in our government. We support this effort to clarify and strengthen this prohibition.

Mahalo for the opportunity to submit testimony.