



House Finance Committee  
Chair Sylvia Luke, Vice Chair Scott Nishimoto, Vice Chair Aaron Johanson

Monday 02/25/13 at 01:30PM in Room 308  
HB1209– Relating to the Legislative Broadcast Program

TESTIMONY  
Carmille Lim, Executive Director, Common Cause Hawaii

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Dear Chair Luke, Vice Chair Nishimoto, Vice Chair Johanson, and members of the House Finance Committee:

**Common Cause Hawaii supports HB1209.** This bill would allow for audio or audiovisual recording of all public hearings and informational briefings held at the state Capitol, and would maintain the recordings in archive, and make them available to the public.

Common Cause would also like to suggest an amendment, in order to make the recordings available for viewing on demand after a reasonable time of 72 hours, after each hearing.

We believe that this bill would be a good step toward including members of the public, who are otherwise unable to attend public hearings, in our policy-making discussions.

**Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of HB1209.**