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TO: The Honorable Karl Rhoads, Chair
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FROM: Kristin Izumi-Nitao, Executive Director *KIN*
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SUBJECT: **Testimony on H.B. No. 595, Relating to Campaign Finance**

Friday, February 8, 2013
2:00 p.m., Conference Room 325

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this bill. The Campaign Spending Commission ("Commission") takes no position on this bill but offers the following comments.

This bill amends Hawaii Revised Statutes §11-362 by limiting contributions to a noncandidate committee from persons who are not residents of Hawaii to thirty percent of the total contributions received by the noncandidate committee in each election period. In the 2012 election period, only forty noncandidate committees received contributions from nonresidents in excess of thirty percent of total contributions. This is less than one-fourth of the roughly 190 noncandidate committees that were registered with the Commission in that election period. The majority of contributions to noncandidate committees came from Hawaii residents. The impact of this bill will be minimal.

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Troy Abraham	Individual	Support	No

Comments:

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