

Honolulu, Hawaii

**MARCH 21**, 2014

RE: S.B. No. 2120

Honorable Joseph M. Souki  
Speaker, House of Representatives  
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature  
Regular Session of 2014  
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred S.B. No. 2120 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO CAMPAIGN SPENDING,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to exempt campaign contributions from a candidate's immediate family members from the limitations established by section 11-357, Hawaii Revised Statutes, on contributions to candidates and candidate committees.

The Campaign Spending Commission submitted testimony in support of this measure.

Your Committee finds that section 11-359, Hawaii Revised Statutes, erroneously exempts campaign contributions by a candidate's immediate family from the prohibition against contributions by state and county contractors. This measure replaces the erroneous provision with an exemption for contributions by immediate family from the limitations on contributions to candidates and candidate committees, as originally intended. Your Committee finds that this amendment will conform the intent of section 11-359 with the intent of the law as it existed prior to the recodification of chapter 11, Hawaii Revised Statutes, in 2010.



As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Judiciary that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 2120 and recommends that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Finance.

Respectfully submitted on  
behalf of the members of the  
Committee on Judiciary,



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KARL RHOADS, Chair



