

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 11, 2016

RE: H.B. No. 1553

H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
Regular Session of 2016
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary, to which was referred H.B. No. 1553 entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to clarify campaign spending reporting requirements by:

- (1) Clarifying the due dates for delivery of candidates' preliminary, final, and supplemental reports to the Campaign Spending Commission; and
- (2) Requiring all past and current candidates with a registered candidate committee to file supplemental reports on January 31 and July 31 of every year.

Your Committee finds this measure enhances candidates' understanding of campaign spending reporting deadlines because it more clearly states the requirements that are the current practice of the Campaign Spending Commission.

The Campaign Spending Commission and Common Cause Hawaii testified in support of this measure.

Your Committee made a technical, nonsubstantive amendment to this measure.



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 H.B. No. 1553, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 1553, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

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



KARL RHOADS, Chair



