

Honolulu, Hawaii  
February 9, 2016

RE: H.B. No. 2156  
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. 2156 entitled:

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

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to provide for the operating expenses of the Campaign Spending Commission from the general revenues of the State. Presently, the Commission's funding source is the Hawaii Election Campaign Fund.

The Campaign Spending Commission, The League of Women Voters of Hawaii, Common Cause Hawaii, Open Law Alliance, and several concerned individuals testified in support of this measure. One concerned individual provided comments.

Your Committee finds that the Commission plays an important role and needs a consistent, reliable funding source.

Your Committee has amended this measure by making a technical, nonsubstantive amendment for style.

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. 2156, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2156, H.D. 1, and be referred to your Committee on Finance.

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

*Karl Rhoads*

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KARL RHOADS, Chair



