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TO: The Honorable Scott Y. Nishimoto, Chair
House Committee on Judiciary

The Honorable Joy A. San Buenaventura, Vice Chair
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Members of the House Committee on Judiciary

FROM: Kristin Izumi-Nitao, Executive Director *KI*
Campaign Spending Commission

SUBJECT: **Testimony on H.B. No. 2015, Relating to Transparency**

Thursday, February 1, 2018
2:00 p.m., Conference Room 325

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this bill. The Campaign Spending Commission ("Commission") offers the following comments on this bill.

This bill would add a new section to Chapter 11, Hawaii Revised Statutes, to require a newspaper to disclose the aggregate amount spent by a candidate on advertisements with the newspaper if the newspaper chooses to endorse the candidate. The disclosure would occur in the same editorial in which the endorsement is made. The Commission notes that the candidate is already required to report on the Commission's electronic filing system any advertising expenditures made to the newspaper.

HB-2015

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Testimony for JUD on 2/1/2018 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Present at Hearing
Benton Kealii Pang, Ph.D.	Hawaiian Civic Club of Honolulu	Support	No

Comments: