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TO: The Honorable Brian T. Taniguchi, Chair
Senate Committee on Judiciary

The Honorable Karl Rhoads, Vice Chair
Senate Committee on Judiciary

Members of the Senate Committee on Judiciary

FROM: Kristin Izumi-Nitao, Executive Director *kei*
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SUBJECT: **Testimony on S.B. No. 2154, Relating to Organizational Reports of
Noncandidate Committees**

Tuesday, February 20, 2018
9:30 a.m., Conference Room 016

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this bill.¹ The Campaign Spending Commission (“Commission”) supports this bill.

This bill amends Hawaii Revised Statutes (“HRS”) §11-323(a) by deleting the requirement that noncandidate committees report their contributions in the organizational report. Noncandidate committees already disclose their contributions in periodic disclosure reports required by HRS §11-335 and HRS §11-338. Currently, the organization report contains directory-type information only and does not have space for noncandidate committees to disclose their contributions. The Commission requests that this Committee pass this measure.

¹ The companion bill is H.B. 1659.