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April 4, 2023

TO: The Honorable Kyle T. Yamashita, Chair
House Committee on Finance

The Honorable Lisa Kitagawa, Vice Chair
House Committee on Finance

Members of the House Committee on Finance

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

SUBJECT: **Testimony on S.B. No. 51, SD1, HD1, Relating to Campaign Finance.**

Wednesday, April 5, 2023
2:00 p.m., Conference Room 308 & Videoconference

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

This bill amends three sections of the Hawaii Revised Statutes to (1) increase the amount of fine that may be assessed against a noncandidate committee for organizational report violations, (2) increase the amount of fine that may be assessed against noncandidate committees for violations of advertisement disclaimer requirements, and (3) increase the fine for advertisements that fail to identify the top three contributors to the advertisements paid by noncandidate committees making only independent expenditures.

The Commission requests that this committee to amend the effective date to upon approval and to pass this measure as amended.



Committee on Finance
Chair Kyle Yamashita, Vice Chair Lisa Kitagawa

Wednesday April 5, 2:pm Videoconference/Rm 308
SB51 SD1 HD1 — RELATING TO CAMPAIGN FINANCE

TESTIMONY

Beppie Shapiro, Legislative Committee, League of Women Voters of Hawaii

Chair Yamashita, Vice Chair Kitagawa, and Committee Members:

The League of Women Voters of Hawaii supports SB51 SD1 HD1 which Increases the amount of fines that may be assessed against noncandidate committees for violations of organizational report and advertisement disclosure requirements.

This bill will help to deter violations of Campaign Finance Law and regulations. Please pass this bill.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony.

SB-51-HD-1

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Testimony for FIN on 4/5/2023 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
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Comments:

This is an important bill to help restore faith and trust in government. In the last few years, we have seen violations by non candidate committees. Please move this bill forward.