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Testimony for JHA on 2/1/2023 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
daniel foley	Commission to Improve Standards of Conductone	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Dear Chairman Tarnas and members of the Judiciary and Hawaiian Affairs Committee,

As Chair of the Commission to Improve Standards of Conduct (Commission), I support this bill on receipt of probable cause determinations by the Campaign Spending Commission for reasons stated in the Commission's December 1, 2022 Final Report, specifically found at page 21 of the Report.

Judge Daniel Foley (ret.)



STATE OF HAWAII
CAMPAIGN SPENDING COMMISSION

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January 30, 2023

TO: The Honorable David A. Tarnas, Chair
House Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs

The Honorable Gregg Takayama, Vice Chair
House Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs

Members of the House Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs

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

SUBJECT: **Testimony on H.B. No. 97, Relating to Preliminary Determination of Probable Cause.**

Wednesday, February 1, 2023
2:00 p.m., Conference Room 325 & Videoconference

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”) §11-405(a) to allow for the service of the commission’s preliminary determination of probable cause (“PDPC”) by first-class mail sent to the address provided by the committee in the committee’s organizational report filed with the Commission. Presently, the Commission is required to serve the PDPC by certified mail. The Commission, in addition to certified mail, has been sending the PDPC by first-class mail. Recently, although the document sent by first-class mail was not sent back to the Commission as undeliverable, the document sent by certified mail was not claimed by the committee and was returned to the Commission. Since there was no service by certified mail, the Commission is unable to enforce its order and the case remains in limbo. Allowing the Commission to serve the PDPC by first-class mail will allow the Commission to proceed with enforcement of its orders.

The Commission requests that this committee pass this bill.

¹ The companion bill is S. B. No. 202.

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
lynne matusow	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support this bill but suggest you change two days to three days. The local postal service, which not long ago delivered most instate mail overnight, now is aiming for two years but many first class mail pieces are taking at least three business days to arrive. I support deleting certified mail as many recipients refuse to accept delivery, for many reasons.

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Testimony for JHA on 2/1/2023 2:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Ingrid Peterson	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha Committee Members!

Please support this bill because we need as many good anti-corruption reform bills passed as possible this session for the good of Hawaii and its people and to restore trust in the legislature. We cannot keep on going as we have. Too many important issues for our future are at stake.

I am a 68-year-old who moved to Hawaii as a child in 1963 and became politically active as a teen before I could even vote. I have always voted since, and I never give up hope for improvement in our democracy. Please kokua,

with warm aloha,

Ingrid Peterson