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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 relating to the failure to respond to a complaint of a campaign spending violation for reasons stated in the Commission's December 1, 2022 Final Report to the House of Representatives, 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. 98, Relating to Complaints Alleging Violations of Campaign Spending Laws.**

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”) §11-403 to treat the respondent’s failure to explain or otherwise respond to a complaint as an admission that a violation of law has occurred. This would allow the Commission to timely process complaints in cases where the Commission has given notice of the complaint (including a copy of the complaint) to the respondent and the respondent fails to respond. Currently, the Commission makes repeated attempts to communicate with the respondent to get a response before putting the matter on a meeting agenda for action.

The Commission requests that this committee pass this bill.

¹ The companion bill is S. B. No. 203.

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

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

Comments:

In full support. Individuals will ignore notices and this lets them know that if they do so they will have admitted guilt.

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Submitted on: 1/31/2023 4:52:25 PM

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