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STATE OF HAWAI'I CAMPAIGN SPENDING COMMISSION

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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 E. Izumi-Nitao, Executive Director Campaign Spending Commission

SUBJECT: Testimony on H.B. No. 1674, Relating to Campaign Finance.

Wednesday, February 7, 2024 2:00 p.m., Conference Room 325 & Videoconference

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

This bill amends Hawaii Revised Statutes §11-384 to allow candidates to donate residual campaign funds to the general fund of the State or to the real property tax general fund of any county. The Commission assumes that there are procedures to place for a person to make a direct donation to these government funds. For the sake of consistency, the Commission recommends that on page 2, end of line 1, the following text be inserted, "<u>or donated pursuant to subsection (e).</u>"