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## STATE OF HAWAI'I CAMPAIGN SPENDING COMMISSION

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March 17, 2025

TO: The Honorable Karl Rhoads, Chair

Senate Committee on Judiciary

The Honorable Mike Gabbard, Vice Chair

Senate Committee on Judiciary

Members of the Senate Committee on Judiciary

FROM: Kristin Izumi-Nitao, Executive Director

**Campaign Spending Commission** 

SUBJECT: Testimony on H.B. No. 413, H.D. 1, Relating to Lobbyist Contributions.

Tuesday, March 18, 2025 9:45 a.m., Conference Room 016 & Videoconference

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

In Act 128, Session Laws of Hawaii 2023, the Legislature enacted a ban on lobbyist contributions to elected officials and other candidates during a legislative session. This measure seeks to clarify administrative oversight of Act 128 between the Commission and the State Ethics Commission. The measure also clarifies that "legislative session" means when both houses of the Legislature are in session.

The Commission requests that this committee pass this measure.

<u>HB-413-HD-1</u> Submitted on: 3/12/2025 4:51:28 PM

Testimony for JDC on 3/18/2025 9:45:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	Organization	<b>Testifier Position</b>	Testify
Frank Schultz	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support this initiative.