A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO ELECTION CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS AND EXPENDITURES.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

- SECTION 1. Section 11-203, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
 amended to read as follows:

 "S11-203 Fundraisers and fundraising activities. (a) As
 used in this section, "fundraiser" means any function held for
- 5 the benefit of a person that is intended or designed, directly
- 6 or indirectly, to raise funds for political purposes [for which
- 7 the price or suggested contribution for attending the function
- 8 is more than \$25 per person].
- 9 (b) There shall be no more than two fundraisers held for a 10 person prior to a general or special election in which that
- 11 person is either elected or defeated.
- A person who is an elected state legislator and is seeking
- re-election to a state legislative office shall not hold a
- 14 fundraiser during a legislative session or special session.
- (c) No fundraiser or fundraising activity shall be held
- 16 unless a notice of intent to hold the function is filed by the
- 17 person in charge of the function with the commission prior to
- 18 the date of the function setting forth the name and address of

- 1 the person in charge, the price per person, the date, hour, and
- 2 place of the affair and the method thereof.
- 3 (d) Fundraisers sponsored by a candidate for a statewide
- 4 office are exempt from the [\$25] limit of subsection (a) and the
- 5 restrictions of subsection (b) [, and fundraisers sponsored].
- 6 Fundraisers by a party for a political purpose for the general
- 7 benefit of the party are exempt from the restrictions of
- 8 subsection (b). "
- 9 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 10 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 11 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on November 8th,
- **12** 2006.

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Report Title:

Campaign contributions and expenditures

Description:

Prohibits certain elective officers from holding fundraisers or engaging in any fundraising activities during the period in which the legislature is in a regular session. Amends definition of "fundraiser."