### A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO ELECTIONS.

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

1	SECTION 1. Chapter 11, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended
2	by adding a new section to be appropriately designated and to
3	read as follows:
4	" <u>§11-</u> Corporations; noncandidate committees;
5	establishment. Before accepting a contribution or making an
6	expenditure in any amount, a corporation shall establish a
7	noncandidate committee for these purposes. The noncandidate
8	committee shall file organizational reports pursuant to section
9	<u>11-196.5.</u> "
10	SECTION 2. Section 11-194, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
11	amended to read as follows:
12	"§11-194 Registration. (a) Each candidate or
13	noncandidate committee shall register with the commission by
14	filing an organizational report as set forth in section 11-196
15	or 11-196.5 as applicable.
16	(b) Each candidate shall file an organizational report
17	within ten days of:

18 (1) Filing the nomination papers for office; or HB HMS 2010-1322

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1 The date the candidate or candidate's committee (2) 2 receives contributions or makes expenditures that 3 amount to more than \$100 in the aggregate during the 4 applicable election period, whichever occurs first. 5 An elected official who is seeking reelection to the (c) 6 same office in successive elections shall not be required to 7 file an organizational report under this section unless the 8 candidate is required to report a change in information pursuant 9 to section 11-196(b); provided that the candidate has not sought 10 election to any other office during the period between 11 elections. 12 (d) [A] Except as provided in subsection (e), a 13 noncandidate committee shall file an organizational report

14 within ten days of receiving contributions or making 15 expenditures that amount to more than \$1,000, in the aggregate, 16 in a two-year election period; [except] provided that within the [thirty day] thirty-day period prior to an election, a 17 18 noncandidate committee shall file an organizational report 19 within two days of receiving contributions or making 20 expenditures that amount to more than \$1,000, in the aggregate, 21 in a two-year election period.



1	(e) A noncandidate committee established by a corporation
2	under section 11- shall file an organizational report within
3	ten days of accepting a contribution or making an expenditure in
4	any amount; provided that within the thirty-day period prior to
5	an election, a noncandidate committee established under section
6	11- shall file an organizational report within two days of
7	accepting a contribution or making an expenditure in any amount
8	in a two-year election period."
9	SECTION 3. Section 11-204, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
10	amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:
11	"(b) No person or any other entity shall make
12	contributions to a noncandidate committee, in an aggregate
13	amount greater than \$1,000 in an election[-]; provided that no
14	corporation shall make contributions to its own noncandidate
15	committee established under section 11- in an aggregate
16	amount greater than \$1,000 in a two-year election period."
17	SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
18	and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
19	SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on January 1, 2011.
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Report Title: Elections; Campaign spending

#### Description:

Prohibits a corporation from contributing more than \$1,000 to the corporation's noncandidate committee in any two-year election period. Requires all corporations that accept contributions or make expenditures for a campaign to form a noncandidate committee.

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