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TESTIMONY OF RICKY R. WATANABE
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TO THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY
ON HOUSE BILL NO. 32
RELATING TO ELECTIONS
January 29, 2013

Chair Rhoads and Committee Members:

Thank you for the opportunity to offer comments on House Bill No. 32. The purpose of this bill is to require the Chief Election Officer to establish procedures to select a letter of the alphabet by lot and arrange candidate names on ballots in alphabetical order of the last names, beginning with the randomly selected letter.

Our office takes no position on House Bill 32 but respectfully requests that the Bill be amended to include funds to inform and educate voters and candidates on the new procedure used to arrange candidate names on the ballot.

Thank you for this opportunity to offer comments on House Bill No. 32.

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Thank you for the opportunity to testify on House Bill No. 32.