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TESTMONY OF STEWART MAEDA

COUNTY CLERK, COUNTY OF HAWAII

TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY AND LABOR

ON SENATE BILL NO. 2113

RELATING TO ELECTIONS

January 25, 2016

Chair Keith Agaran and members of the Senate Committee on Judiciary and Labor, thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of Senate Bill No. 2113. This bill allows election officials to address the significant increase in absentee mail ballots to be processed prior to Election Day.

Senate Bill No. 2113 will greatly assist in the overall election process by expediting the processing of absentee mail ballots while maintaining the integrity of the election. Appropriate safeguards are in place within the bill to maintain a fair and balanced election. These safeguards include having official observers present during the opening of the return ballot envelope. Results would not be produced or distributed until the closing of the polls on Election Day. For these reasons the Office of the County Clerk, County of Hawaii fully supports Senate Bill No. 2113.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of Senate Bill No. 2113.

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