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### A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO CAMPAIGN FINANCE.

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

1	SECT	TON 1. Section 11-314, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is	
2	amended to read as follows:		
3	"§11	-314 Duties of the commission[-]; operating expenses.	
4	(a) The	duties of the commission under this part are to:	
5	(1)	Develop and adopt forms required by this part;	
6	(2)	Adopt and publish a manual for all candidates,	
7		candidate committees, and noncandidate committees,	
8		describing the requirements of this part, including	
9		uniform and simple methods of recordkeeping;	
10	(3)	Preserve all reports required by this part for at	
11		least ten years from the date of receipt by the	
12		commission;	
13	(4)	Permit the inspection, copying, or duplication of any	
14		report required by this part pursuant to rules adopted	
15		by the commission under chapter 91; provided that this	
16		paragraph shall not apply to the sale or use of	
17		information under section 11-344;	

1	(5)	Ascertain whether any person has failed to file a
2		report required by this part or has filed a
3		substantially defective or deficient report. The
4		commission shall notify the person by first class mail
5		that a fine may be assessed for the failure to file or
6		the filing of a substantially defective or deficient
7		report, and the defective or deficient report shall be
8		corrected and explained. All fines collected under
9		this section as authorized by sections 11-340 and 11-
10		410 shall be deposited in the general fund of the
11		State;
12	(6)	Hold public hearings;
13	. (7)	Investigate and hold hearings for receiving evidence
14		of any violations pursuant to subpart I of this part;
15	(8)	Adopt rules pursuant to chapter 91;
16	(9)	Request the initiation of prosecution for the
17		violation of this part pursuant to section 11-411;
18	(10)	Administer and monitor the distribution of public
19		funds under this part;

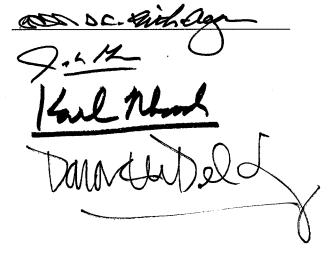
1	(11)	Suggest accounting methods for candidates, candidate	
2		committees, or noncandidate committees in connection	
3		with reports and records required by this part;	
4	(12)	Employ or contract with, without regard to chapters	
5		76, 78, and 89, persons it finds necessary for the	
6		performance of its functions, including a full-time	
7		executive director, and to fix their compensation;	
8		provided that the commission shall have the authority,	
9		at its discretion, to dismiss persons employed by or	
10		contracted with the commission;	
11	(13)	Conduct random audits and field investigations, as	
12		necessary; and	
13	(14)	File for injunctive relief when indicated.	
14	(b)	The operating expenses of the commission, including	
15	staff sal	aries and fringe benefits, shall be paid from general	
16	revenues of the State."		
17	SECT	ION 2. Section 11-421, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is	
18	amended by amending subsection (c) to read as follows:		
19	"(c)	Moneys in the fund shall be paid to candidates by the	
20	comptroll	er as prescribed in section 11-431 [ <del>and may be used for</del>	

- 1 the commission's operating expenses, including staff salaries
- 2 and fringe benefits]."
- 3 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
- 4 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$495,506 or so much
- 5 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2017-2018 and the
- 6 same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year
- 7 2018-2019 for the campaign spending commission's operating
- 8 expenses, including staff salaries and fringe benefits.
- 9 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the campaign
- 10 spending commission for the purposes of this Act.
- 11 SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 12 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 13 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2017.

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INTRODUCED BY:

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### Report Title:

Campaign Finance; Campaign Spending Commission; Operating Expenses; Appropriation

#### Description:

Replaces the Hawaii election campaign fund with the general revenues of the State as the funding source for the operating expenses of the campaign spending commission. Appropriates general revenues to the commission for operating expenses.

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