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SUBJECT:

Testimony on H.B. No. 289, Relating to Election Campaign Reporting

Thursday, February 9, 2017 2:00 p.m., Conference Room 325

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this bill. The Campaign Spending Commission ("Commission") supports this bill.

Hawaii Revised Statutes ("HRS") §11-339 provides that candidate and noncandidate committees who receive or spend \$1,000 or less in an election period need only file the final election period report and supplemental reports. This bill amends HRS §11-339 by adding two new subsections that would require candidate and noncandidate committees to notify the Commission before the first preliminary reports are due of their intent to limit their activity to \$1,000 or less for the election period. With knowledge of such an intent, the Commission will not automatically generate notices of late reports and fines to committees that are not required to file preliminary and final primary reports.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The companion bill is S.B. 446.

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## **HB289**

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| Javier Mendez-Alvarez | Individual   | Support                   | No                    |

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