

Senate Judiciary and Labor Committee Chair Gilbert S.C. Keith-Agaran, Vice Chair Karl Rhoads

> Friday 02/03/2017 at 8:45 AM in Room 016 SB310– Relating to Absentee Voting

TESTIMONY — COMMENTS Corie Tanida, Executive Director, Common Cause Hawaii

Dear Chair Keith-Agaran, Vice Chair Rhoads, and members of the Committee:

Common Cause offers comments on SB310, which would allow absentee ballots to be mailed no later than Election Day and to be received by the clerk not later than three days following the closing of polls on Election Day.

If absentee ballots are accepted up to three days following the closing of polls, will the announcement of election results will be delayed as well? The announcement of results prior to the counting of all ballots could cause widespread confusion, especially in races that are won by slim margins.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on SB310.

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