

1 "Certification for public funding" means the decision by
2 the commission that a candidate is certified to receive public
3 funding in accordance with this subpart.

4 "Certified candidate" or "publicly-funded candidate" means
5 a candidate who is certified by the commission as eligible for
6 public funding under this subpart and who agrees to abide by the
7 requirements of this subpart.

8 "Declaration of intent to seek public funding" means the
9 form completed by a candidate seeking public funding, the filing
10 of which triggers the candidate's ability to begin collecting
11 qualifying names and contributions.

12 "District" means the respective representative district
13 from which the candidate seeks election.

14 "Excess expenditure" means the amount of public funds spent
15 or obligated to be spent by a publicly-funded candidate in
16 excess of one hundred per cent of the allocated funds for a
17 primary election, general election, or both.

18 "General election campaign period" means the period
19 beginning the day after the primary election and ending on
20 general election day.



1 "General election year" means the period commencing January
2 1 of an even-numbered year in which a general election is held
3 and ending on the general election day.

4 "Primary election campaign period" means the period in a
5 primary election year beginning with the certification for
6 public funding under this subpart and ending on the primary
7 election day.

8 "Public funding" or "public funds" means campaign funds
9 from the Hawaii election campaign fund under section 11-421,
10 received by a certified candidate pursuant to this subpart.

11 "Qualifying contribution" means a monetary contribution
12 made in the form of a check or a money order accompanied by a
13 signed receipt that confirms that the contributor purchased the
14 money order, payable to the Hawaii election campaign fund for
15 purposes of meeting the criteria of section 11-E.

16 "Seed money" means contributions made to a candidate by an
17 individual in accordance with section 11-D and expended for the
18 purpose of determining campaign viability.

19 "Surplus campaign funds" means any campaign contributions
20 not spent during a prior election period by a candidate who
21 previously sought election as a privately-funded candidate.



1 **§11-B Applicability.** There is established a public
2 funding program under this subpart for all elections to the
3 state house of representatives, beginning with the 2018
4 elections.

5 **§11-C Qualifications for public funding for candidates for**
6 **state representative.** (a) A candidate may seek public funding
7 for the primary election campaign period if the candidate:

- 8 (1) Resides in the district from which election is sought
9 as of the date of the filing of nomination papers for
10 the primary election in the general election year in
11 which the candidate seeks to be nominated or elected;
- 12 (2) Is a registered voter in the district from which
13 election is sought;
- 14 (3) Files a declaration of intent to seek public funding
15 with the commission between December 1 of the year
16 prior to the election year and thirty days before the
17 closing date to file nomination papers to run for the
18 office for which the candidate intends to seek
19 election;
- 20 (4) Collects qualifying names and contributions in
21 accordance with section 11-E;



- 1 (5) Accepts only the following contributions prior to
2 applying for certification as a publicly-funded
3 candidate:
- 4 (A) Seed money contributions until the candidate
5 files a declaration of intent to seek public
6 funding; and
- 7 (B) Qualifying contributions that may be accepted
8 only after filing the declaration of intent to
9 seek public funding; and
- 10 (6) Files an application for certification for public
11 funding with the commission.
- 12 (b) A candidate is qualified to seek public funding for
13 the general election campaign period if the candidate:
- 14 (1) Was certified as a publicly-funded candidate during
15 the primary election campaign period immediately
16 preceding the general election in which the funds
17 under this subpart are provided; and
- 18 (2) Received a sufficient number of votes to appear on the
19 ballot in the general election or is otherwise
20 certified by the county clerk to be placed on the
21 ballot in the general election.



1 §11-D Seed money contributions; limitations on use of seed
2 money; penalties. (a) The use of seed money shall be limited
3 to expenditures necessary to determine whether sufficient
4 support exists for a candidate to run for office as a publicly-
5 funded candidate; provided that no candidate shall be eligible
6 to receive public funds under this subpart unless the candidate
7 has received or expended at least \$ in seed money.

8 (b) The amount of seed money received, expended, or both,
9 by a candidate seeking eligibility for public funding shall not
10 exceed \$3,000, which shall include any personal funds, surplus
11 campaign funds, or contributions received from individuals in an
12 aggregate amount no greater than \$250 each that the candidate
13 may choose to use.

14 (c) A candidate seeking eligibility for public funding
15 shall not accept contributions of seed money from any individual
16 whose contributions are prohibited under subpart E or for which
17 the information required to be reported pursuant to section 11-
18 I(h) is not available. The candidate or candidate's committee
19 shall record all information required for reporting under
20 section 11-I(h). If this information has not been recorded by
21 the thirtieth day after the contribution was received, the



1 contribution shall be returned to the contributor. All
2 contributors whose seed money has been accepted shall be issued
3 a receipt by the candidate.

4 (d) Seed money shall not be collected after the candidate
5 has filed the declaration of intent to seek public funding,
6 which shall be filed no later than thirty days prior to the
7 closing date to file nomination papers to run for the office for
8 which the candidate intends to seek election. The candidate
9 shall spend seed money only until the candidate is certified by
10 the commission as a publicly-funded candidate or the closing
11 date to file nomination papers to run for the office for which
12 the candidate intends to seek election, whichever occurs first.

13 (e) Any unspent seed money shall be deducted from the
14 amount of public funding provided to the certified candidate if
15 the certified candidate does not donate the unspent seed money
16 to the Hawaii election campaign fund.

17 (f) A certified candidate who has surplus campaign funds
18 from a previous election is prohibited from using those funds
19 for anything other than seed money pursuant to this section and
20 in-office constituent communications pursuant to section 11-J.
21 The surplus campaign funds shall be frozen and maintained in a



1 separate depository account from that established for the public
2 funds under section 11-L. The candidate shall continue to file
3 reports on the surplus campaign funds in accordance with subpart
4 E, or as otherwise may be required by the commission.

5 **§11-E Application for public funds; qualifying names;**
6 **qualifying contributions.** (a) Candidates seeking certification
7 for public funding shall submit an application for certification
8 that contains at least two hundred fifty printed qualifying
9 names with addresses and signatures, of which at least two
10 hundred shall be accompanied by a qualifying contribution of \$5,
11 in the same name. Nothing of value shall be given to the
12 individual in exchange for the qualifying contribution.

13 (b) To be counted as a qualifying name, with or without
14 accompanying qualifying contribution, the name shall be that of
15 an individual who is a registered voter and who resides within
16 the respective district from which the candidate seeks
17 nomination or election at the time the contribution is given.

18 (c) No candidate shall collect any qualifying name, with
19 or without accompanying qualifying contribution, prior to filing
20 a declaration of intent to seek public funding with the
21 commission.



1 (d) A receipt in a form prescribed by the commission
2 pursuant to section 11-0 shall be issued to the contributor for
3 each qualifying contribution.

4 (e) All qualifying contributions collected by a candidate,
5 whether or not the candidate is certified, shall be deposited
6 into the Hawaii election campaign fund.

7 (f) The application for certification shall be submitted
8 to the commission no later than thirty days prior to the primary
9 election and shall be signed by the candidate and the
10 candidate's campaign treasurer under penalty of perjury. The
11 application shall contain any other information deemed necessary
12 and appropriate by the commission.

13 **§11-F Certification of qualification for public funds.**

14 (a) The commission, in coordination with the relevant county
15 clerk for the district from which election is sought, shall
16 verify that the candidate received at least the minimum required
17 qualifying names and qualifying contributions as specified in
18 section 11-E, that the candidate resides in the district from
19 which election is sought as of the date of the filing of
20 nomination papers, and that the candidate is a registered voter
21 in the district from which election is sought. The county clerk



1 shall provide all information required to verify qualifying
2 names and contributions and the candidate's residency and voter
3 registration status, including the names, addresses, and
4 signatures of registered voters in that district collected
5 pursuant to section 11-E.

6 (b) The commission shall issue a decision to certify or
7 deny certification of a candidate as a publicly-funded candidate
8 within ten business days following receipt of the candidate's
9 completed application for certification.

10 (c) After a candidate is certified, the candidate's
11 certification shall apply to both the primary and the general
12 elections.

13 (d) Initial certification and all determinations by the
14 commission under this section shall be final and conclusive,
15 except to the extent that they are subject to examination and
16 audit by the commission under section 11-434.

17 **§11-G Public funds to be distributed to certified**
18 **candidate.** (a) Except as provided in subsection (b), each
19 certified candidate shall receive the amount calculated pursuant
20 to paragraph (1) divided by the number calculated pursuant to
21 paragraph (2):



- 1 (1) The total amount of expenditures of winners statewide
2 for the office of state representative in the previous
3 election period, less the sum of:
- 4 (A) The expenditures of the three winners statewide
5 for the office of state representative with the
6 highest amounts of expenditures; and
- 7 (B) The expenditures of the three winners statewide
8 for the office of state representative with the
9 lowest amounts of expenditures,
10 in the respective election in the previous election
11 period; and
- 12 (2) The total number of persons who won statewide for the
13 office of state representative in the respective
14 election in the previous election period, less six
15 persons.
- 16 (b) There shall be a total amount of \$500,000 available
17 for distribution to all certified candidates statewide in each
18 election year. If the total amount of funds to be distributed
19 in any election year to all certified candidates, as calculated
20 pursuant to subsection (a), exceeds \$500,000, the commission
21 shall divide \$500,000 by the total number of certified



1 candidates statewide to determine the amount that each certified
2 candidate shall receive.

3 (c) Upon the commission's certification of the candidate,
4 the commission shall direct the comptroller to distribute the
5 public funds allowed by this section from the Hawaii election
6 campaign fund by check or, when possible, by an automatic
7 transfer of funds. Public funds shall be distributed to the
8 candidate within twenty days from the date that the candidate
9 was certified.

10 (d) The commission shall be under no obligation to provide
11 moneys to a candidate if moneys in the Hawaii election campaign
12 fund are near depletion.

13 **§11-H Contributions and expenditures; penalties.** (a) A
14 certified candidate shall comply with the following restrictions
15 on contributions and expenditures:

16 (1) Upon certification for public funding and until the
17 end of the general election campaign period, a
18 candidate shall not accept for use in the campaign:

19 (A) Contributions from any person;

20 (B) Loans from any person, including a certified
21 candidate;



- 1 (C) Contributions from political parties; and
- 2 (D) Any campaign material purchased or held from a
- 3 date prior to filing the declaration of intent to
- 4 seek public funds; and
- 5 (2) Upon certification for public funding and until the
- 6 end of the general election campaign period, a
- 7 candidate shall not expend for campaign purposes:
- 8 (A) Any money except public funds issued by the
- 9 commission;
- 10 (B) Public funds for purposes other than those
- 11 permitted in this subpart; and
- 12 (C) Public funds outside the applicable campaign
- 13 period.
- 14 (b) A certified candidate who accepts contributions in
- 15 violation of this section shall be subject to a fine equal to
- 16 three times the public funding received, in addition to any
- 17 other action, fines, or prosecution under section 11-N and
- 18 subpart I, or any provision of the Hawaii penal code.
- 19 (c) A certified candidate who makes expenditures of more
- 20 than one hundred per cent of the public funds allocated to the



1 candidate shall repay to the Hawaii election campaign fund an
2 amount equal to three times the excess expenditures.

3 **§11-I Publicly-funded candidate; reporting.** (a) A
4 certified candidate and the certified candidate's committee
5 shall furnish to the commission complete campaign records,
6 including all records of seed money contributions, qualifying
7 contributions, and expenditures. A certified candidate shall
8 fully cooperate with any audit or examination by the commission.

9 (b) The reporting requirements for certified candidates
10 under this subpart or that may be required by the commission
11 shall be in addition to any other reporting requirement under
12 this part.

13 (c) An individual who uses seed money to determine whether
14 sufficient support exists to run for office as a publicly-funded
15 candidate who is not already registered with the commission
16 shall register as a candidate by filing the organizational
17 report required by section 11-321, within ten days of receiving
18 more than \$100 in seed money, either from contributions or
19 personal funds.

20 (d) All reports required by subpart D, seed money reports,
21 and post-election reports shall be filed with the commission.



1 (e) Seed money reports shall be filed with the commission
2 no later than:

- 3 (1) January 31 of an election year;
- 4 (2) April 30 of an election year; and
- 5 (3) Twenty days prior to the primary election.

6 (f) Each report shall be current through:

- 7 (1) The six-month period ending on December 31 for the
8 report filed on January 31;
- 9 (2) The three-month period ending on March 31 for the
10 report filed on April 30; and
- 11 (3) Thirty days prior to the primary election for the
12 report filed twenty days prior to the primary
13 election.

14 (g) The seed money reports shall include:

- 15 (1) The candidate committee's name and address;
- 16 (2) The amount of cash on hand at the beginning of the
17 reporting period;
- 18 (3) The aggregate total for the reporting period for each
19 of the following categories:
 - 20 (A) Contributions;
 - 21 (B) Expenditures; and



- 1 (C) Other receipts; and
- 2 (4) The cash on hand at the end of the reporting period.
- 3 (h) Schedules filed with the seed money reports shall also
- 4 include:
- 5 (1) The amount and date of deposit of each contribution
- 6 and the name and address of each contributor who makes
- 7 contributions aggregating more than \$100 in an
- 8 election period;
- 9 (2) All expenditures made, including the name and address
- 10 of each payee and the amount, date, and purpose of
- 11 each expenditure. Expenditures for consultants,
- 12 advertising agencies and similar firms, credit card
- 13 payments, salaries, and candidate reimbursements shall
- 14 be itemized to permit a reasonable person to determine
- 15 the ultimate intended recipient of the expenditure and
- 16 its purpose; and
- 17 (3) The amount, date of deposit, and description of other
- 18 receipts and the name and address of the source of
- 19 each of the other receipts.
- 20 (i) Post-election reports shall be submitted to the
- 21 commission no later than twenty days after a primary election



1 and no later than thirty days after a general election
2 certifying that all public funds paid to the certified candidate
3 have been used as required by this subpart. The post-election
4 reports shall include information regarding all expenditures
5 made, including the name and address of each payee and the
6 amount, date, and purpose of each expenditure. Expenditures for
7 consultants, advertising agencies and similar firms, credit card
8 payments, salaries, and candidate reimbursements shall be
9 itemized to permit a reasonable person to determine the ultimate
10 intended recipient of the expenditure and its purpose.

11 (j) All certified candidates shall file the reports
12 required under this subpart by electronic means in the manner
13 prescribed by the commission.

14 **§11-J Publicly-funded candidate; continuing obligation.**

15 (a) A certified candidate shall comply with all requirements
16 under this subpart through the general election campaign period,
17 except as provided in subsection (d), regardless of whether the
18 certified candidate maintains eligibility for public funding in
19 the general election campaign period.

20 (b) Any surplus campaign funds up to \$4,000 for a
21 certified candidate elected to the office sought may be carried



1 over to pay for in-office constituent communications.
2 Expenditures for these communications shall not exceed \$2,000
3 per year or \$4,000 for a two-year term.

4 (c) If the total surplus for a certified candidate who is
5 elected to office falls under \$4,000, subsection (d)
6 notwithstanding, the office holder shall be allowed to raise the
7 difference with private contributions pursuant to subpart E in
8 an aggregate amount of \$2,000 per year; provided that each
9 contribution shall be made by an individual and each individual
10 shall be limited to contributing \$250 in the aggregate per year.

11 (d) Except for seed money contributions and qualifying
12 contributions, a certified candidate who is elected to office
13 shall not accept private contributions from any person until
14 either September 1 of the next odd-numbered year following the
15 general election in which the candidate was last elected, or the
16 date when the commission determines there are insufficient funds
17 under section 11-P, whichever occurs earlier.

18 (e) If a certified candidate withdraws from the primary
19 election or the general election, all unexpended public funds
20 received by the candidate under this subpart shall be returned



1 to the Hawaii election campaign fund within thirty days after
2 withdrawal.

3 (f) A certified candidate who is successful in the primary
4 election may carry over any unexpended public funds to the
5 general election; provided that the certified candidate has an
6 opponent in the general election. If the certified candidate
7 does not have an opponent in the general election, the certified
8 candidate shall return all unexpended public funds received by
9 the certified candidate under this subpart to the Hawaii
10 election campaign fund within thirty days after the primary
11 election.

12 (g) A certified candidate who is not successful in the
13 primary or general election shall return all unexpended public
14 funds received by the certified candidate under this subpart to
15 the Hawaii election campaign fund within thirty days after the
16 election in which the candidate was not successful.

17 **§11-K Public funding; permitted uses.** (a) Public funds
18 shall be used only for the purpose of defraying expenses
19 directly related to the certified candidate's campaign during
20 the primary or general election campaign period for which the
21 public funds are allocated.



1 (b) Neither a candidate who receives public funds under
2 this subpart nor the candidate's campaign treasurer shall
3 transfer any portion of any funds subject to this subpart to any
4 other candidate for another campaign.

5 **§11-L Deposit of and access to public funds.** (a) All
6 public funds and seed money received by a certified candidate
7 shall be deposited directly into a depository institution as
8 provided under section 11-351(a) and accessed through the use of
9 debit cards and bank checks. No expenditure of funds received
10 subject to this subpart shall be made except by debit cards or
11 checks drawn on the account.

12 (b) All reports for financial disclosure required under
13 subpart D and this subpart shall include the most recent,
14 available bank statement from the financial depository holding
15 the funds, as attested to by the candidate's committee.

16 **§11-M Deposit of money into the Hawaii election campaign**
17 **fund.** The following moneys shall be deposited into the Hawaii
18 election campaign fund established under section 11-421:

- 19 (1) Appropriations made by the legislature for the
20 purposes of this subpart;
21 (2) Excess seed money contributions;



- 1 (3) Qualifying contributions, including any excess
- 2 qualifying contributions of certified candidates;
- 3 (4) Unspent public funds distributed to any certified
- 4 candidate;
- 5 (5) Fines levied by the commission for violation of this
- 6 subpart; and
- 7 (6) Voluntary donations made for the purposes of this
- 8 subpart.

9 **§11-N Violations; penalties.** Any candidate who knowingly
10 seeks or receives contributions, attempts to take any action, or
11 takes any action to fraudulently qualify for or receive public
12 funding shall:

- 13 (1) Have the candidate's certification for public funding
- 14 revoked. Within ten business days of revocation, the
- 15 certified candidate shall repay all public funds
- 16 received to the Hawaii election campaign fund; and
- 17 (2) Be subject to fines and penalties as specifically
- 18 provided in this subpart and other fines or penalties
- 19 pursuant to sections 11-410 and 11-412 and the Hawaii
- 20 penal code.



1 **§11-O Forms; receipts; candidate guide.** The campaign
2 spending commission shall create and publish all forms and
3 receipts required to effectuate this subpart. The commission
4 shall publish a candidates' guide to public funding, which shall
5 include an explanation of rules and procedures applicable to
6 candidates.

7 **§11-P Sufficiency of funding for comprehensive public**
8 **funding.** (a) On September 1 of each odd-numbered year before a
9 general election year, the commission shall determine whether
10 there is a minimum of \$3,500,000 in the Hawaii election campaign
11 fund established under section 11-421, so that the commission
12 has sufficient funds available to certify candidates during the
13 next election, provide up to \$500,000 total funding for the
14 comprehensive public funding for elections authorized under this
15 subpart, and provide sufficient funding for the partial public
16 financing of elections pursuant to subpart J.

17 (b) Within five business days of the commission's
18 determination that there is sufficient funding, the commission
19 shall publish notice statewide, pursuant to section 1-28.5, that
20 the comprehensive public funding program shall become effective
21 on January 1 of the following year. If the commission



1 determines that there is insufficient funding, sections 11-C
2 through 11-H shall be inoperative until the commission next
3 determines that sufficient funding is available pursuant to this
4 section."

5 SECTION 2. Chapter 11, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended
6 by adding a new section to subpart J of part XIII to be
7 appropriately designated and to read as follows:

8 "§11- Applicability to elections for state
9 representative. No provision of this subpart shall apply to any
10 election to the state house of representatives, except as
11 expressly provided in subpart ."

12 SECTION 3. Section 11-421, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
13 amended by amending subsections (b) and (c) to read as follows:

14 "(b) The fund shall consist of:

15 (1) All moneys collected from persons who have designated
16 a portion of their income tax liability to the fund as
17 provided in section 235-102.5(a);

18 (2) Any general fund appropriations; [and]

19 (3) All moneys designated for deposit into the fund
20 pursuant to section 11-M; and

21 [~~3~~] (4) Other moneys collected pursuant to this part.



1 (c) Moneys in the fund shall be paid to candidates by the
2 comptroller as prescribed in [~~section~~] sections 11-431 and 11-
3 G(c) and may be used for the commission's operating expenses,
4 including staff salaries and fringe benefits."

5 SECTION 4. Section 11-423, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
6 amended by amending subsection (d) to read as follows:

7 "(d) From January 1 of the year of any primary, special,
8 or general election, the aggregate expenditures for each
9 election by a candidate who voluntarily agrees to limit campaign
10 expenditures, inclusive of all expenditures made or authorized
11 by the candidate alone, all treasurers, the candidate committee,
12 and noncandidate committees on the candidate's behalf, shall not
13 exceed the following amounts expressed, respectively multiplied
14 by the number of voters in the last preceding general election
15 registered to vote in each respective voting district:

- 16 (1) For the office of governor - \$2.50;
- 17 (2) For the office of lieutenant governor - \$1.40;
- 18 (3) For the office of mayor - \$2.00;
- 19 (4) For the offices of state senator, [~~state~~
20 ~~representative,~~] county council member, and
21 prosecuting attorney - \$1.40; and



1 (5) For all other offices, except the office of state
2 representative - 20 cents."

3 SECTION 5. Section 11-425, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
4 amended to read as follows:

5 1. By amending subsection (b) to read:

6 "(b) The maximum amount of public funds available in each
7 election to a candidate for the office of state senator, [~~state~~
8 ~~representative,~~] county council member, [~~and~~] or prosecuting
9 attorney shall not exceed fifteen per cent of the expenditure
10 limit established in section 11-423(d) for each election."

11 2. By amending subsection (d) to read:

12 "(d) For all other offices, excluding the office of state
13 representative, the maximum amount of public funds available to
14 a candidate shall not exceed \$100 in any election year."

15 SECTION 6. Section 11-429, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
16 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

17 "(a) As a condition of receiving public funds for a
18 primary or general election, a candidate shall not be unopposed
19 in any election for which public funds are sought, shall have
20 filed an affidavit with the commission pursuant to section 11-
21 423 to voluntarily limit the candidate's campaign expenditures,



1 and shall be in receipt of the following sum of qualifying
2 contributions from individual residents of Hawaii:

3 (1) For the office of governor – qualifying contributions
4 that in the aggregate exceed \$100,000;

5 (2) For the office of lieutenant governor – qualifying
6 contributions that in the aggregate exceed \$50,000;

7 (3) For the office of mayor for each respective county:

8 (A) City and County of Honolulu – qualifying
9 contributions that in the aggregate exceed
10 \$50,000;

11 (B) County of Hawaii – qualifying contributions that
12 in the aggregate exceed \$15,000;

13 (C) County of Maui – qualifying contributions that in
14 the aggregate exceed \$10,000; and

15 (D) County of Kauai – qualifying contributions that
16 in the aggregate exceed \$5,000;

17 (4) For the office of prosecuting attorney for each
18 respective county:

19 (A) City and County of Honolulu – qualifying
20 contributions that in the aggregate exceed
21 \$30,000;



- 1 (B) County of Hawaii – qualifying contributions that
- 2 in the aggregate exceed \$10,000; and
- 3 (C) County of Kauai – qualifying contributions that
- 4 in the aggregate exceed \$5,000;
- 5 (5) For the office of county council – for each respective
- 6 county:
- 7 (A) City and County of Honolulu – qualifying
- 8 contributions that in the aggregate exceed
- 9 \$5,000;
- 10 (B) County of Hawaii – qualifying contributions that
- 11 in the aggregate exceed \$1,500;
- 12 (C) County of Maui – qualifying contributions that in
- 13 the aggregate exceed \$5,000; and
- 14 (D) County of Kauai – qualifying contributions that
- 15 in the aggregate exceed \$3,000;
- 16 (6) For the office of state senator – qualifying
- 17 contributions that [7] in the aggregate exceed \$2,500;
- 18 [~~7~~] ~~For the office of state representative – qualifying~~
- 19 ~~contributions that, in the aggregate, exceed \$1,500;~~



1 ~~(8)~~ (7) For the office of Hawaiian affairs – qualifying
 2 contributions that~~[7]~~ in the aggregate~~[7]~~ exceed
 3 \$1,500; and

4 ~~[(9)]~~ (8) For all other offices, except the office of state
 5 representative, qualifying contributions that~~[7]~~ in
 6 the aggregate~~[7]~~ exceed \$500."

7 SECTION 7. The campaign spending commission shall submit a
 8 report of its findings and recommendations, including any
 9 proposed legislation, to the legislature not later than twenty
 10 days prior to the convening of the regular session of 2018 on
 11 further statutory amendments or other legislative action
 12 necessary to facilitate the implementation of this Act.

13 SECTION 8. There is appropriated out of the general
 14 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much
 15 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2017-2018 and the
 16 same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year
 17 2018-2019 for deposit into the Hawaii election campaign fund
 18 under section 11-421, Hawaii Revised Statutes.

19 The sums appropriated shall be disbursed by the campaign
 20 spending commission consistent with chapter 11, part XIII,



1 subpart , Hawaii Revised Statutes, and the purposes of this
2 Act.

3 SECTION 9. There is appropriated out of the general
4 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ 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 to prepare for the public funding of candidates in
8 elections taking place in 2018, including full-time (FTE),
9 temporary positions.

10 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the campaign
11 spending commission for the purposes of this Act.

12 SECTION 10. In codifying the new sections added by section
13 1 of this Act, the revisor of statutes shall substitute
14 appropriate section numbers for the letters used in designating
15 the new sections in this Act.

16 SECTION 11. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
17 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

18 SECTION 12. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2017.

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H.B. NO. 443

Report Title:

Campaign Finance; Publicly Funded Elections; Legislature

Description:

Creates a comprehensive public funding program for candidates for election to the state House of Representatives. Repeals those candidates' eligibility for partial public funding under the existing partial public funding program. Appropriates funds to the Campaign Spending Commission.

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