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Please accept this as testimony for august 24.

Comments regarding the sunshine law from some of the legislators on august 24 was very disturbing, especially rep nakashima. These electeds work for us, not the other was around. Keeping things secret is the opposite of transparency. Having serial discussions with committee members is not allowed under the sunshine law. All county councils as well as county and state boards and commissions have to follow this law. It may be hard, but it is necessary when the people's business is being done.

Senator rhoads served on a neighborhood board for several years. His comments were helpful. He is well familiar with it and knows its importance. Quite the opposite of rep. nakashima.

It is imperative that the commission come up with ways the legislature can adopt many of the sunshine law provisions. We cannot have secrets. If not, if we have business as usual there will be more corruption. I believe that english and current are the tip of the iceberg, that others have not yet been found out.

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