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TO THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY & HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS

ON HOUSE BILL NO. 1472

RELATING TO THE WITHDRAWAL OF PETITION SIGNATURES

February 1, 2022

Chair Nakashima and members of the House Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs, thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of House Bill No. 1472. This bill amends statutory provisions relating to the information necessary for a signer of a petition to withdraw the signer's name from the petition.

This bill is a housekeeping measure to standardize the requirements for a signatory to remove their name from a petition to match the withdrawal requirements of a nomination paper. The petitions that voters may sign include qualifying as a political party or appearing as a presidential candidate.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of House Bill No. 1472.