

**HB-94**

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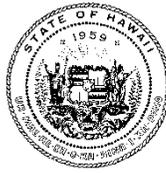
<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
daniel foley	Commission to Improve Standards of Conductone	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Dear Chairman Tarnas and members of the Judiciary and Hawaiian Affairs Committee,

As Chair of the Commission to Improve Standards of Conduct (Commission), I support this bill that would disallow the use of campaign funds in buying tickets for an event or fundraiser for another candidate or committee for the reasons stated in the Commission's December 1, 2022 Final Report submitted to the House of Representatives, specifically found at pages 33-34 of the Report.

Judge Daniel Foley (ret.)



**STATE OF HAWAII**  
**CAMPAIGN SPENDING COMMISSION**

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January 30, 2023

TO: The Honorable David A. Tarnas, Chair  
House Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs

The Honorable Gregg Takayama, Vice Chair  
House Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs

Members of the House Committee on Judiciary & Hawaiian Affairs

FROM: Kristin Izumi-Nitao, Executive Director  
Campaign Spending Commission 

SUBJECT: **Testimony on H.B. No. 94, Relating to Candidate Committee Expenditures.**

Wednesday, February 1, 2023  
2:00 p.m., Conference Room 325 & Videoconference

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this bill.<sup>1</sup> The Campaign Spending Commission (“Commission”) supports this bill.

This bill amends Hawaii Revised Statutes (“HRS”) §11-381 to prohibit the use of campaign funds to purchase up to two tickets for an event or fundraiser held by another candidate or committee by repealing paragraph (6) of subsection (a). Paragraph (6) is inconsistent with HRS §11-382(1), which prohibits the use of campaign funds to support the campaigns of other candidates. The Commission believes that members of the public assume that contributions made to a candidate are used by that candidate for the candidate’s own campaign for elective office.

The Commission requests that this committee pass this bill.

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<sup>1</sup> The companion bill is S.B. No. 199.

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
lynne matusow	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Campaign funds should not be used to buy tickets to anotehr candidate's fundraiser. This measure is needed to increase public trust in elected officials.

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<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Ingrid Peterson	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha Committee Members!

Please support this bill because we need as many good anti-corruption reform bills passed as possible this session for the good of Hawaii and its people and to restore trust in the legislature. We cannot keep on going as we have. Too many important issues for our future are at stake.

I am a 68-year-old who moved to Hawaii as a child in 1963 and became politically active as a teen before I could even vote. I have always voted since, and I never give up hope for improvement in our democracy. Please kokua,

with warm aloha,

Ingrid Peterson