



OFFICE OF HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS

‘Ōlelo Hō‘ike ‘Aha Kau Kānāwai

**TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT WITH AMENDMENTS FOR HOUSE BILL 2050 HD1 SD1  
RELATING TO PARTIAL PUBLIC FINANCING OF ELECTIONS**

Ke Kōmike ‘Aha Kenekoa o ke Ki‘ina Hana a me nā Kumuwaiwai  
(Senate Committee on Ways and Means)  
Ke Kapikala o Hawai‘i  
(Hawai‘i State Capitol)

‘Apelila 1, 2026

10:03 AM

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Aloha e Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, and Members of the Senate Committee on Ways and Means:

The Office of Hawaiian Affairs (OHA) **SUPPORTS WITH AMENDMENTS HB2050 HD1 SD1**, which increases the amount of public funds available to candidates for public office who participate in the State’s Partial Public Financing program and increases participating candidates’ expenditure limits.

OHA supports public financing as a good government measure, as it makes the public financing program a more viable option for candidates by increasing available funding. Publicly financed campaigns make elections more accessible, open, and fair.

However, OHA objects to the continued disparity for OHA candidates under the Partial Public Financing law. HRS § 11-423(d) sets the campaign expenditure limits for candidates receiving public financing using a formula that multiplies the “number of voters in the last preceding general election registered to vote” in the relevant voting district by a specific dollar amount. OHA Trustees are the only candidates who run Statewide election campaigns that are not explicitly listed in this subpart, and thus default to the lowest multiplier category with “other offices,” or \$0.20 (20 cents). As a point of comparison, the Lieutenant Governor, who also runs a Statewide campaign, has a dollar multiplier of \$1.40. As a result, current expenditure limits for OHA candidates are approximately \$172,174, while expenditure limits for the Lieutenant Governor are \$1,205,215.

The statewide OHA Trustee races receive comparable votes to the Lieutenant Governor races. In the 2024 General Election, the OHA Moloka‘i-Lāna‘i race received

287,216 votes, the Kaua'i race received 284,571 votes, and the OHA At-Large race received 325,858 votes. In the 2022 Primary Election, the Democrat Lieutenant Governor's race received a total of 242,350 votes, and the Republican Lieutenant Governor's race received 66,830 votes.

The total expenditure limits in HRS § 11-423(d) in turn affect the amount of public financing available to a candidate under HRS § 11-425, which sets public funding as a percentage of the total expenditure limits. While OHA appreciates that this measure would increase the maximum amount of public financing available to OHA candidates, this is still far below what comparable office holders would receive.

As a matter of fairness and equity, OHA respectfully offers the following amendments:

On page 2, line 20, insert the OHA trustees after the Lieutenant Governor:

"(3) For the office of trustee for the office of Hawaiian affairs-- \$1.68;"

On page 4, line 4, insert OHA trustees after the Lieutenant Governor:

"(1) For the office of governor, lieutenant governor, trustee for the office of Hawaiian affairs, or mayor of the city and county of Honolulu or the county of Hawaii shall not exceed 12.5 per cent of the expenditure limit established in section 11-423 (d) for each election;"

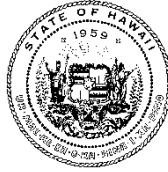
On page 4, lines 15-17:

~~"(3) The office of Hawaiian affairs shall not exceed 7.5 per cent of the expenditure limit established in section 11-423(d) for each election."~~

For the reasons stated above, OHA respectfully urges this committee to **PASS HB2050 HD1 SD1 with AMENDMENTS.**

Mahalo nui for the opportunity to testify on this critical issue.

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March 31, 2026

TO: The Honorable Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair  
Senate Committee on Ways and Means

The Honorable Sharon Y. Moriwaki, Vice Chair  
Senate Committee on Ways and Means

Members of the Senate Committee on Ways and Means

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

SUBJECT: **Testimony on H.B. No. 2050, H.D.1, S.D.1 Relating to Partial Public Financing of Elections.**  
Senate Committee on Ways and Means  
Wednesday, April 1, 2026, at 10:03 a.m.  
Conference Room 211 & Videoconference

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

The purpose of this bill is to enhance Hawaii’s partial public financing program by increasing the maximum amount of public funds available for all offices by 50%<sup>1</sup> (except for the Office of Hawaiian Affairs (“OHA”) which will be significantly enhanced by over 1,000%) to qualified candidates. It also makes a downward adjustment of the minimum qualifying contributions for certain offices because it appears that publicly financed candidates for those offices were having a difficult time raising the minimum qualifying contributions. Respectfully, the Commission is submitting this bill as an attempt to boost an existing program that is mandated by the State Constitution which has not changed and whose maximum dollar amounts have not changed since 1995.

This bill amends Hawaii Revised Statutes (“HRS”) sections as follows:

- 1) Increases the expenditure limits for elected offices by 20%,

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<sup>1</sup> The percentage of the expenditure limit, which determines the maximum amount of public funding available for each office, is increased by 50% in the bill.

- 2) HRS §11-425 by increasing the maximum amount of public funds available for all offices (except for the offices of the Mayor of the County of Kauai, Mayor of the County of Maui, and OHA trustee) by 50%. The bill also increases the maximum amount available for candidates for Mayor of the counties of Kauai and Maui by 125% and increases the maximum amount of public funds available for a candidate for trustee of OHA from \$1,500 for the election period to 7.5% of the expenditure limit for each election established in HRS §11-423(d),
- 3) HRS §11-429(a) by increasing the amount of qualifying contributions required for a candidate for trustee of OHA from more than \$1,500 in the aggregate to more than \$5,500 in the aggregate,
- 4) HRS §11-429(a) by providing a downward adjustment of the minimum amounts of qualifying contributions for the office of prosecuting attorney for the city and county of Honolulu (from \$30,000 to \$25,000), and counties of Hawaii (from \$10,000 to \$5,000) and Kauai (from \$5,000 to \$3,000), and for the office of county council for the county of Maui (from \$5,000 to \$4,000), and
- 5) HRS §11-429(b) by increasing matching fund payments from \$1 for each \$1 of qualifying contributions in excess of the minimum qualifying contribution amounts to \$4 for each \$1 of excess qualifying contributions.

For illustration, here is a comparison of the present partial public funding program for candidates running opposed compared to the enhanced partial public funding program set forth in this bill for candidates running opposed.

Office	Current maximum public funds available under HRS §11-425		Proposed maximum amount of public funds set forth in this bill	
	Primary Election 2026	General Election 2026	Primary Election 2026	General Election 2026
Lt. Governor	\$120,522	\$120,522	\$289,252	\$289,252
Senate District 1	\$7,269	\$7,269	\$14,537	\$14,537
House District 1	\$3,562	\$3,562	\$7,124	\$7,124
Kauai Mayor	\$9,635	\$9,635	\$28,906	\$28,906
Maui Mayor	\$23,002	\$23,002	\$69,005	\$69,005
OHA Trustee	\$1,500		\$15,496	\$15,496

OHA provided testimony on this measure requesting that the maximum expenditure limit for OHA Trustees mirror other statewide races because OHA trustee races receive comparable votes to that of the Lieutenant Governor's race. While the Commission understands OHA's position, the Commission objects to this request because the funds needed to win a Lieutenant Governor's race is significantly higher than needed to win a race for OHA Trustee. In the 2024 election, the total contributions, other receipts, and loans for all 17 candidates for OHA Trustee was \$139,437.10.<sup>2</sup> The top 5 OHA Trustee candidates raising the most funds were: William Akina at \$85,747.55, Patricia Teruya at \$14,145.00, Kaiali'i Kahele at \$7,778.95, Ronald Nihipali at \$5,961.00, and Peter Apo at \$5,333.14. By contrast, in the 2022 Lieutenant Governor's race, the total contributions for all 10 candidates were \$3,615,026.92 with the top three candidates raising the most funds were: Sylvia Luke at \$1,456,671.61, Keith Amemiya at \$903,149.62, and Ikaika Anderson at \$905,014.04.<sup>3</sup> Aligning OHA Trustee races with that of the Lt. Governor would provide OHA Trustee candidates with up to \$289,252 per election which would be more than the total amount raised for all 17 OHA Trustee candidates in the 2026 election.

Under the bill, assuming one qualified candidate for each elective office<sup>4</sup> in the state, the maximum amount of public financing available would be \$3,268,325 in the 2026 primary election and another \$3,268,325 in the 2026 general election. As of June 30, 2025, the Hawaii Election Campaign Fund ("HECF") balance was \$2,412,282.94. A general fund appropriation of \$4,124,367.06 into the HECF is necessary if this bill is passed.

The Commission requests that this committee pass this bill.

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<sup>2</sup> See <https://ags.hawaii.gov/campaign/files/2025/02/2024OHA.pdf>

<sup>3</sup> See <https://ags.hawaii.gov/campaign/files/2023/11/2022LtGovernor.pdf>

<sup>4</sup> The Commission is aware that not all elective offices appear on the ballot in an election year.



APRIL 1, 2026

## HOUSE BILL 2050 HD1 SD1

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### POSITION: SUPPORT

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Imua Alliance supports HB 2050 HD1 SD1, relating to partial public financing of elections, which increases the expenditure limit and the amount of partial public campaign financing available for all elective offices; adjusts the minimum amount of qualifying contributions certain candidates must receive to participate in the program; and increases the matching fund payments for excess qualifying contributions.

Imua Alliance is a Hawai'i-based organization dedicated to ending all forms of exploitation, including corporate abuse of our democracy. Government should work for the public interest, not special interests.

Hawai'i has had partial public campaign financing in place for decades, rooted in the 1978 Constitutional Convention's direction to establish a campaign fund for partial public financing. Few candidates participate, however, because the current partial funding model fails to provide sufficient resources to run competitive campaigns.

Hawai'i's electoral environment is comparatively uncompetitive. An average of about 90% of incumbents were reelected over the past decade and challengers face structural disadvantages in establishing fundraising networks and building name recognition. Strengthening the match and availability of public funds, as this bill proposes, is helps give: participating candidates a realistic chance to keep pace with private financing.

Public financing programs are also associated with broader and more diverse participation in democracy, particularly when they amplify small contributions. For example, analysis of New York City's matching system found it increased both the number and diversity of residents who participate as donors, shifting candidate incentives toward engaging everyday constituents instead of concentrating time on large donors. Importantly for Hawai'i, this policy conversation is not abstract:

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Hawai'i has confronted repeated corruption scandals in recent years, and a UHERO policy brief explicitly situates public campaign financing as one reform to reduce reliance on wealthy donors and corporate interests.

Buttressing public campaign financing also has indirect, but important benefits for Hawai'i's clean economy and climate action goals. Hawai'i has some of the most ambitious climate targets in the nation—codifying 50% greenhouse gas reductions by 2030 and a carbon-neutral economy by 2045—but achieving these goals depends on responsive, accountable governance, and public trust in policy decisions that affect energy, transportation, land use, and economic incentives.

Research on public financing systems finds that when candidates rely less on large special-interest money and more on broad public support, they are encouraged to engage more directly with voters and prioritize community-wide concerns over narrow donor agendas, including long-term challenges like climate resilience and clean energy transitions.

Reinforced public financing can help ensure that elected leaders are empowered to advance policies—such as investments in renewable energy, equitable EV infrastructure, and climate adaptation funding—that reflect broad public support rather than industry influence. By making Hawai'i's democratic process more transparent and competitive, HB 2050 supports governance that is better aligned with the state's clean economy and climate commitments.

Strengthening partial public financing is a pragmatic democracy reform: it can make elections more competitive, expand the role of small donors, and reduce candidates' dependency on narrow funding networks, while building on recent good government reforms to diminish the corrupting role of corporate money in local politics.

With aloha,

*Kris Coffield*

President, Imua Alliance



**LATE**

Committee on Ways and Means  
Chair Donovan Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Sharon Moriwake  
Wednesday April 1, 12:00  
Conference Room 211 and videoconference  
HB2050 HD1 SD1 RELATING TO PARTIAL PUBLIC FINANCING OF ELECTIONS.

TESTIMONY

Beppie Shapiro, Legislative Committee, League of Women Voters of Hawaii

Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwake, and Committee Members:

**The League of Women Voters of Hawaii strongly supports HB2050 HD1 SD1, which would increase the expenditure limit and the amount of partial public campaign financing available for all elective offices; adjust the minimum amount of qualifying contributions certain candidates must receive to participate in the program; increase the matching fund payments for excess qualifying contributions; and appropriate funds for the program.** We also offer a suggestion for your consideration.

The League of Women Voters of the US believes that methods of financing political campaigns should enable candidates to compete equitably for public office and ensure that candidates have sufficient funds to communicate their messages to the public. Hawaii's Partial Public Funding Program (PPFP) is intended to support those goals.

The amount available through the PPFP to publicly funded candidates has not changed in over two decades. Inflation in media prices, postage, and labor costs make the current amounts far less than competitive. The current amounts available to qualified candidates for public funding are far below the amounts spent by privately funded candidates who won election to the same office. Not surprisingly, the number of candidates using the PPFP has decreased every year since at least 2016. The increases proposed in HB2050 HD1 SD1 unquestionably offer a major improvement on the status quo.

In addition, HB2050 HD1 SD1 cuts the number of qualifying contributions required to access public funding for several offices, making the program easier to access.

Finally, recognizing the increased costs for these changes, and for the intended increase in the number of qualifying candidates, HB2050 HD1 SD1 provides for increased funding for Hawaii election campaign fund (HECF). This is important because under the definition of the PFPF, if the HECF runs out of money before all qualified candidates have received the anticipated payments, the program will stop making the payments, thus eroding both candidates' trust and willingness to use the program and citizens' appreciation of the PFPF.

Suggestion: Recognizing the CSC staff demands of adjusting to these changes and to the intended increase in the number of candidates initiating use of the PFPF, we suggest adequately funding, including importantly an added ½ staff position to the CSC, which is already overloaded with important requirements for its small staff.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony.

**HB-2050-SD-1**

Submitted on: 3/30/2026 10:43:48 AM

Testimony for WAM on 4/1/2026 10:03:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Marcia Kemble	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Greetings Committee Members,

I am writing in strong support of HB2050 HD1 SD1. By increasing the expenditure cap and adjusting matching funds to 2:1, this measure encourages more candidates to participate in the partial public funding program. Public financing levels the playing field for candidates without establishment backing and allows campaigns to focus on reaching voters instead of donors. This bill is a significant step toward enabling more candidates to utilize this program and reduces the influence of big money in our elections. PLEASE HELP KEEP BIG MONEY OUT OF POLITICS!

Mahalo for your consideration.

Marcia Kemble

Makiki

**HB-2050-SD-1**

Submitted on: 3/30/2026 2:27:58 PM

Testimony for WAM on 4/1/2026 10:03:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Johnnie-Mae L. Perry	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I, Johnnie-Mae L. Perry, OPPOSE

2050 HB RELATING TO PARTIAL PUBLIC FINANCING OF ELECTIONS.

PRIVATE/PUBLIC CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION/DONATIONS IN ELECTED OFFICIAL  
POSITIONS

**HB-2050-SD-1**

Submitted on: 3/30/2026 3:20:26 PM

Testimony for WAM on 4/1/2026 10:03:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
William Caron	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha Chair, Vice Chair, and members of the committee,

I am writing in **support of HB2050**, which would increase expenditure limits and partial public financing amounts for candidates participating in Hawai‘i's campaign financing program. While a more comprehensive system of full public financing for all candidates—such as that proposed in SB2313—would be a stronger and more transformative step, HB2050 represents a meaningful improvement to the current program and deserves passage.

**HB2050 strengthens Hawai‘i's partial public financing system.** By increasing expenditure limits and the amount of public funds available, this bill helps candidates run competitive races without relying exclusively on large donations from private interests. It adjusts the minimum number of qualifying contributions required to participate, ensuring the program remains accessible while maintaining a demonstration of community support. It also increases matching fund payments for excess qualifying contributions, amplifying the impact of small-dollar donors.

**Public financing reduces the influence of money in politics.** When candidates can rely on public funds rather than corporate PACs, wealthy donors, or special interest groups, they are free to represent their constituents—not their funders. It encourages broader participation, levels the playing field for candidates without personal wealth or established networks, and restores public confidence that elections are decided by voters, not dollars.

**HB2050 is a step forward, even as we continue to push further.** The bill makes needed updates to a program that has not kept pace with the rising cost of running for office. It will make participation more viable for more candidates. But we should also recognize that a truly comprehensive system—one that provides full public financing for all candidates seeking state and county office—would be even more effective at removing money from politics and ensuring that every voice has a chance to be heard. SB2313 offers that vision, and I urge this committee to keep it in mind as you consider HB2050.

In the meantime, HB2050 is a practical, achievable improvement that will benefit candidates and voters alike. I urge you to pass this bill.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify.

**HB-2050-SD-1**

Submitted on: 3/30/2026 3:28:03 PM

Testimony for WAM on 4/1/2026 10:03:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
David Ball	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Dear Chair Dela Cruz and Vice-Chair Moriwaki,

I am writing in strong support of HB2050, which seeks to provide increased public financing for state- and countywide elections . We have seen the pernicious effects of monied interests in our state politics, which have been increasingly marred by corruption and pay-to-play scandals. Public financing both lowers the bar for talented candidates to run for office and restores the public’s trust in our system being a fair one that represents the will of the people. Hawaii is ready to bear the modest cost for a freer and fairer democratic system in exchange for the invaluable faith in our democratic systems.

Mahalo nui loa,

David Ball

Waiialae-Kahala

**HB-2050-SD-1**

Submitted on: 3/30/2026 5:08:38 PM

Testimony for WAM on 4/1/2026 10:03:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Diane Ware	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I support this bill pleas pass it now.

Mahalo Diane Ware Volcano

**HB-2050-SD-1**

Submitted on: 3/30/2026 10:46:50 PM

Testimony for WAM on 4/1/2026 10:03:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Leimomi Khan	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

**TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF H.B. 2050, H.D.1, S.D.1  
RELATING TO CAMPAIGN FINANCING**

Chair, Vice Chair, and Members of the Committee:

My name is Leimomi Khan and I offer this testimony in support of H.B. 2050, H.D.1, S.D.1. but with noting that the provisions concerning the Office of Hawaiian Affairs Trustee Position are still imbalanced compared to other statewide races.

At the outset, I would like to express my appreciation for the Legislature’s efforts to strengthen Hawai‘i’s partial public financing program. This bill represents an important and necessary step forward. The current system has not been significantly updated in decades, and the rising cost of campaigns has made it increasingly difficult for candidates—particularly those without access to substantial private resources—to participate meaningfully in our democratic process.

The increases in expenditure limits, matching funds, and overall program funding are timely and warranted. These changes will help restore confidence in the public financing system and encourage broader participation by candidates across the state.

At the same time, I respectfully note that this measure does not fully address certain structural challenges within the current framework. In particular, elections for the Office of Hawaiian Affairs Board of Trustees are unique statewide contests that do not align neatly with district-based classifications currently used in the public financing system. As a result, OHA candidates may continue to face structural disadvantages in mounting viable statewide campaigns.

However, I also recognize that this bill carries significant improvements that are needed now. In light of the urgent need to modernize and strengthen public financing, I support moving this measure forward as an important step in the right direction.

Rather than delay these much-needed improvements, I respectfully recommend that the Legislature continue this work in the next session by undertaking a focused review of the public financing formula as it applies to OHA trustee elections. Such a review, potentially in coordination with the Campaign Spending Commission and the Office of Hawaiian Affairs, could help develop a fair and proportional approach that reflects the true cost of running a statewide campaign.

This is ultimately a matter of fairness and equity in our democratic process. Ensuring that all candidates—especially those in statewide races such as OHA trustee elections—have a meaningful opportunity to participate strengthens not only the system itself, but the communities it is meant to serve.

Mahalo for the opportunity to testify and for your continued commitment to improving Hawai‘i’s public financing program.

COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS  
Senator Donovan M. Dela Cruz, Chair  
Senator Sharon Y. Moriwaki, Vice Chair

**LATE**

HEARING:

Wednesday, April 1, 2026 at 10:03 am, Conference Room 211 & Videoconference

TESTIMONY IN **SUPPORT** OF HB 2050, HD1, SD1 - RELATING TO PARTIAL PUBLIC FINANCING OF ELECTIONS.

Aloha Chair Dela Cruz, Vice Chair Moriwaki, Senator Hashimoto for my district, Senator DeCoite of Maui, and Members of the Committee,

My name is Christine Andrews. I am a long-term resident of Wailuku, Maui and an attorney licensed for over 25 years. I write to you today in **strong support of HB 2050, HD1, SD1**, Relating to Partial Public Financing of Elections, which increases the expenditure limit and the amount of partial public campaign financing available for all elective offices, adjusts the minimum amount of qualifying contributions certain candidates must receive to participate in the program, increases the matching fund payments for excess qualifying contributions, and appropriates funds for the program.

As a resident of Maui, it is time to get money out of our politics. Here on Maui, large global corporations and outside investors and developers have influenced our policies in a way that harms our environment, our communities, and our sense of trust in government. Methods of financing political campaigns should enable candidates to compete equitably for public office and ensure that candidates have sufficient funds to communicate their messages to the public.

Comprehensive public funding programs, such as proposed by SB2313, are the best way to meet these goals, but the enhancement to Hawaii's Partial Public Funding Program (PPFP) proposed by HB 2050, HD1, SD1 is an important step toward those goals. The money available to candidates through the PPFP has not changed in over twenty years. Over that time, increases in media prices, postage, and labor costs have made the current amounts inadequate, far below amounts spent by privately funded candidates who won election to the same office. As a result of the disparity, the number of candidates using PPFP continues to decrease. The increases proposed in HB2050, HD1, SD1 are an improvement and HB2050, HD1, SD1 also cuts the number of qualifying contributions required to access public funding for several offices, making the program easier to access.

House Bill 2050, HD 1, SD1 also provides for increased funding for Hawaii election campaign fund (HECF). This is important because under the definition of the PPFP, if the HECF runs out of money before all qualified candidates have received anticipated payments, the program will stop making payments. This erodes candidates' trust in and their willingness to use the program. It is time to help level the playing field so that the candidate best qualified to serve their constituents, not just the one most able to fundraise from wealthy donors, are able to be elected to office. I respectfully request your **vote in support of HB 2050, HD1, SD1**.

Mahalo for the opportunity to submit testimony on this measure,

Christine Andrews, JD  
Wailuku, Maui

**LATE**

**HB-2050-SD-1**

Submitted on: 3/31/2026 11:55:08 PM

Testimony for WAM on 4/1/2026 10:03:00 AM

<b>Submitted By</b>	<b>Organization</b>	<b>Testifier Position</b>	<b>Testify</b>
Gregory Misakian	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

**Aloha Chair, Vice Chair, and Members of the WAM Committee,**

**I am in support of HB2050 HD1 SD1.**

**I currently serve as:**

- **President, Kokua Council**
- **Vice President, Hawaii Alliance for Retired Americans (HARA)**
- **Director, Keoni Ana AOA**

**I previously served on the Waikiki Neighborhood Board from Jan. 2023 to June 2025.**

**HB2050 HD1 SD1 will provide for fairer elections and allow for more candidates to run for elected positions.**

**Gregory Misakian**