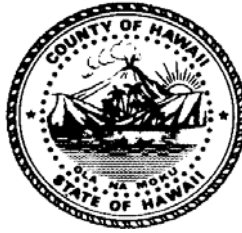


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Honorable Edmund Haitsuka and Members of the
County of Hawai'i Charter Commission
c/o Hawai'i County Council
25 Aupuni Street
Hilo, Hawai'i 96720

Dear Chairman Haitsuka and Commission Members:

RE: Comments Regarding Proposed Ballot Language for CA-7

Thank you for this opportunity to comment on the proposed ballot question for CA-7 contained in Communication 256.4.

After reviewing the 2009-2010 Charter Commission Report to the County Council dated April 13, 2010 and the subsequent amendment on June 25, 2010 as found in Communication 257, I suggest that the language contained in Communication 256.4 be replaced with the following:

(B) Shall the charter of the County of Hawai'i be amended to (1) change the number of signatures required to recall an official elected at-large or by voters of the entire county to twenty-five percent of the total valid votes cast for the office subject to the recall petition in the last election; (2) change the number of signatures required to recall a district council member to twenty-five percent of the total valid votes cast for the district office subject to the recall petition in the last election; (3) require signers of a recall petition to also provide the month and day of their birth and the last four digits of their social security number; (4) provide more time for the gathering of signatures; and (5) give the county clerk five more days to verify a petition?

Yours, very truly,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "K. Goodenow", is written over a horizontal line.

KENNETH G. GOODENOW