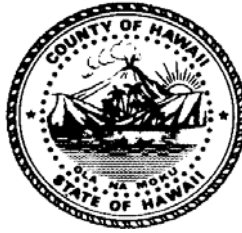


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Honorable Edmund Haitsuka and Members of the
County of Hawai'i Charter Commission
c/o Hawai'i County Council
25 Aupuni Street
Hilo, Hawai'i 96720

Dear Chairman Haitsuka and Commission Members:

RE: Comments Regarding Proposed Ballot Language for CA-12

Thank you for this opportunity to comment on the proposed ballot question for CA-12 contained in Communication 256.4.

After reviewing the 2009-2010 Charter Commission Report to the County Council dated April 13, 2010 and the subsequent oral amendment made on June 25, 2010, I suggest that the ballot language for CA-12 as contained in Communication 256.4 be replaced with the following:

Shall the charter of the County of Hawai'i be amended to (1) change the number of signatures required for a charter amendment petition to 20% of the total ballots cast in the last general election; (2) require signers of a charter amendment petition to also provide the month and day of their birth and the last four digits of their social security number; and (3) give the county clerk additional time to verify such a petition?

Yours, very truly,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "K. Goodenow", written in a cursive style.

KENNETH G. GOODENOW