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STATE ETHICS COMMISSION ISSUES FINES TO CANDIDATES WHO FILED LATE/DID NOT FILE

All candidates for state elective office are required by law to file a disclosure of financial interests (“candidate financial disclosure”) with the Hawai‘i State Ethics Commission (“Commission”).¹ A candidate's financial disclosure includes information about a candidate’s sources of income, business ownership interests, officer or director positions in businesses, debts, real property interests, clients represented before state agencies, and creditor interests in an insolvent business. Candidate financial disclosures are public records and are available for public inspection.

The statutory deadline for candidates to file their financial disclosures with the Commission was Friday, June 14, 2024. Thirteen candidates were assessed a \$50 fine for missing

¹ Hawai‘i Revised Statutes § 84-17(c)(10); *see also* Article XIV, Hawai‘i State Constitution (“The financial disclosure provisions shall require all elected officers, all candidates for elective office and such appointed officers and employees as provided by law to make public financial disclosures.”).

this statutory deadline.

As of this release's issuance, 168 out of 169 candidates filed their disclosures, available on the Commission's website at <https://tinyurl.com/4rdxf6sx>. P.M. Azinga, candidate for State House of Representatives, District 30, has not yet filed a financial disclosure statement. If P.M. Azinga does not file a financial disclosure statement by Monday, July 15, 2024, an additional \$250 fine will be assessed.

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About the Hawai'i State Ethics Commission:

The Hawai'i State Ethics Commission is an independent state agency committed to promoting and ensuring ethical conduct in state government. Established to foster public trust, the Commission administers the state's ethics code and lobbyists law. For more information, visit ethics.hawaii.gov.