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**Testimony to the Commerce, Consumer Protection and Health Committee
Senator Rosalyn Baker, Chair
Senator Clarence Nishihara, Vice Chair
Tuesday February 7, 2017, 9 a.m.
Conference Room 229
SB 894 - Relating to Charitable Organizations**

Dear Chair Baker, Vice Chair Nishihara and members of the CPH Committee:

On behalf of the Hawai'i Alliance of Nonprofit Organizations, I would like to offer our comments in **support of SB 894** relating to charitable organizations.

Hawai'i Alliance of Nonprofit Organizations (HANO) is a statewide, sector-wide professional association of nonprofits. Our mission is to unite and strengthen the nonprofit sector as a collective force to improve the quality of life in Hawai'i. Our member organizations provide essential services to every community in the state.

HANO generally supports the changes outlined in this measure, which seek to improve and clarify the charitable solicitation law. In particular, regarding the filing of 990 tax forms upon filing with the IRS, we wonder if there is an electronic method for filing with the IRS and simultaneously also filing with the Attorney General's office to facilitate the filing happening at the same time.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.

Mahalo,
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