



Senate Committee on Government Operations  
Honorable Angus McKelvey, Chair  
Honorable Mike Gabbard, Vice Chair

**RE: Testimony in Support of S.B. 1081, Relating to Legislative Budget Office**  
Hearing: January 28, 2025 at 3:00 p.m.

Dear Chair and Members of the Committee:

My name is Ben Creps. I am a staff attorney at the Public First Law Center, a nonprofit organization that promotes government transparency. Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony **in support** of S.B. 1081.

This measure establishes a legislative budget office to prepare fiscal analyses of bills that have the potential to affect government revenues or expenditures, and requires those analyses to be made available to the public. We commend the Legislature's effort to increase transparency in the lawmaking process. This measure would help the public better understand the fiscal consequences of proposed legislation and thus promotes more informed public participation.

Thank you again for the opportunity to testify in support of S.B. 1081.

