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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO ELECTRONIC VOTING.

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:**

1           SECTION 1. Section 16-41, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended by adding a new definition to be appropriately inserted  
3 and to read as follows:

4           "Voter verifiable paper audit trail" means the paper  
5 record that constitutes a complete record of ballot selections  
6 that is verified by the voter. The record may also be used to  
7 assess the accuracy of the voting machine's electronic record  
8 and to verify the election results."

9           SECTION 2. Section 16-42, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
10 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

11           "(a) When used at primary or special primary elections,  
12 the automatic tabulating equipment of the electronic voting  
13 system shall count only votes for the candidates of one party,  
14 or nonpartisans. In all elections, the equipment shall reject  
15 all votes for an office when the number of votes therefor  
16 exceeds the number that the voter is entitled to cast.

17           No electronic voting system shall be used in any election  
18 unless it generates a paper ballot or voter verifiable paper



1 audit trail that may be inspected and corrected by the voter  
2 before the vote is cast, and unless every paper ballot or voter  
3 verifiable paper audit trail is retained as the definitive  
4 record of the vote cast."

5 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.

6 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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INTRODUCED BY: 



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**Report Title:**

Electronic Voting; Voter Verifiable Paper Audit Trail

**Description:**

Clarifies that, when using electronic voting machines, either a paper receipt or a voter verifiable paper audit trail that contains just a record of the voter's ballot selections may be used to verify a voter's vote. Allows the voter verifiable paper audit trail to be used to assess the accuracy of the voting machine's electronic record and to verify the election results.

