
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO ELECTIONS.

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

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 11, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended
2 by adding a new section to be appropriately designated and to
3 read as follows:

4 "§11-_____ Public officials; public service announcements;

5 public funds. (a) No public service announcement or

6 advertisement that:

7 (1) Is produced on behalf of any state-administered
8 program or paid for with state or public funds; and

9 (2) Contains the proper name, image, or voice of any
10 elected official or candidate for office,

11 shall be broadcast or aired on radio, television, or printed in
12 a commercial newspaper or commercial magazine three months prior
13 to any public election in the state.

14 (b) An elected official or candidate who appears in an
15 advertisement or public service announcement broadcast or
16 printed in response to a disaster or national emergency shall be
17 exempt from subsection (a) if the announcement is reasonably
18 necessary to the official function of the official or candidate.



1 (c) This section shall not be construed to prohibit an
 2 official or candidate from appearing in the broadcast of
 3 official state or county proceedings by a regular state or
 4 county television broadcast service."

5 SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.

6 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Report Title:

Public Officials; Public Service Announcements

Description:

Prohibits public officials from appearing in public service announcements three months prior to an election.

