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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO AN ELECTED ATTORNEY GENERAL.

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

1 SECTION 1. The purpose of this Act is to amend the
2 election statutes to be consistent with the proposed
3 constitutional amendment establishing the office of attorney
4 general as an elected office.

5 SECTION 2. Section 11-218, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
6 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

7 "(a) For the office of governor, lieutenant governor,
8 attorney general, or mayor, the maximum amount of public funds
9 available to a candidate in any election shall not exceed ten
10 per cent of the total expenditure limit as determined under
11 section 11-209 for each election for each office listed in this
12 subsection."

13 SECTION 3. Section 11-219, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
14 amended to read as follows:

15 "**§11-219 Qualifying campaign contributions; amounts.** As a
16 condition of receiving public funds for a primary or general
17 election, a candidate shall not be unopposed in any election for



1 which public funds are sought, shall have filed an affidavit
2 with the commission pursuant to section 11-208 to voluntarily
3 limit the candidate's campaign expenditures, and shall be in
4 receipt of the following sum of qualifying campaign
5 contributions from individual residents of Hawaii:

6 (1) For the office of governor--qualifying contributions
7 that in the aggregate, exceed \$100,000;

8 (2) For the office of lieutenant governor--qualifying
9 contributions that in the aggregate, exceed \$50,000;

10 (3) For the office of attorney general--qualifying
11 contributions that in the aggregate, exceed \$50,000;

12 [~~3~~] (4) For the office of mayor for each respective
13 county:

14 (A) County of Honolulu--qualifying contributions that
15 in the aggregate, exceed \$50,000;

16 (B) County of Hawaii--qualifying contributions that
17 in the aggregate, exceed \$15,000;

18 (C) County of Maui--qualifying contributions that in
19 the aggregate, exceed \$10,000; and

20 (D) County of Kauai--qualifying contributions that in
21 the aggregate, exceed \$5,000; and



1 (A) County of Honolulu--qualifying contributions that
2 in the aggregate, exceed \$30,000;

3 (B) County of Hawaii--qualifying contributions that
4 in the aggregate, exceed \$10,000; and

5 (C) County of Kauai--qualifying contributions that in
6 the aggregate, exceed \$5,000;

7 [~~+5~~] (6) For the office of county council--for each
8 respective county:

9 (A) County of Honolulu--qualifying contributions that
10 in the aggregate, exceed \$5,000;

11 (B) County of Hawaii--qualifying contributions that
12 in the aggregate, exceed \$1,500;

13 (C) County of Maui--qualifying contributions that in
14 the aggregate, exceed \$5,000; and

15 (D) County of Kauai--qualifying contributions that in
16 the aggregate, exceed \$3,000;

17 [~~+6~~] (7) For the office of state senator--qualifying
18 contributions that, in the aggregate, exceed \$2,500;

19 [~~+7~~] (8) For the office of state representative--
20 qualifying contributions that, in the aggregate,
21 exceed \$1,500;



1 [+8+] (9) For the office of Hawaiian affairs--qualifying
2 contributions that, in the aggregate, exceed \$1,500;
3 and

4 [+9+] (10) For all other offices, qualifying contributions
5 that, in the aggregate, exceed \$500."

6 SECTION 4. Section 12-6, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
7 amended by amending subsection (c) to read as follows:

8 " [+](c)[+] There shall be deposited with each nomination
9 paper a filing fee on account of the expenses attending the
10 holding of the primary, special primary, or special election
11 which shall be paid into the treasury of the State, or county,
12 as the case may be, as a realization:

- 13 (1) For United States senators and United States
14 representatives--\$75;
- 15 (2) For governor and lieutenant governor--\$750;
- 16 (3) For attorney general and mayor--\$500; and
- 17 (4) For all other offices--\$250."

18 SECTION 5. Section 12-6, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
19 amended by amending subsection (e) to read as follows:

20 " [+](e)[+] Upon the showing of a certified copy of an
21 affidavit ~~[which]~~ that has been filed with the campaign spending
22 commission pursuant to section 11-208 by a candidate who has



1 voluntarily agreed to abide by spending limits, the chief
2 election officer or clerk shall discount the filing fee of the
3 candidate by the following amounts:

- 4 (1) For the office of governor and lieutenant governor--
5 \$675;
- 6 (2) For the office of attorney general and mayor--\$450;
7 and
- 8 (3) For all other offices--\$225."

9 SECTION 6. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
10 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

11 SECTION 7. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Report Title:

Elected Attorney General

Description:

Amends the election statutes to include the attorney general as an elected office.

