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# 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- Candidates for public office; public service  
5 announcements; public funds. (a) A person who is a candidate  
6 for office shall not appear in, or lend the person's name,  
7 image, or voice to any public service announcement or any  
8 advertisement that is produced on behalf of any state-  
9 administered program or paid for with state or public funds,  
10 from the time the candidate files nomination papers until the  
11 time the person is no longer a candidate for office.

12 (b) A candidate who is a public official shall be exempt  
13 from the prohibition specified in subsection (a) if the  
14 announcement or advertisement is in response to a disaster or  
15 state or national emergency; provided that the announcement or  
16 advertisement is reasonably necessary for an official function  
17 of the candidate.



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

4        SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.

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

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**Report Title:**

Candidates for Public Office; Public Service Announcements

**Description:**

Prohibits candidates for public office from appearing in public service announcements from the time of filing nomination papers until the time the person is no longer a candidate.

