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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO AUDIT OF ELECTIONS.

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

1       SECTION 1. Chapter 23, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended  
2 by adding a new section to be appropriately designated and to  
3 read as follows:

4       "§23-    Audit of elections.    Following each statewide  
5 general election, the auditor shall conduct an audit of the  
6 general, special, and primary election immediately preceding the  
7 general election. In the case of a special election not held in  
8 conjunction with a primary or general election, the audit shall  
9 be conducted immediately after the special election has  
10 concluded. The audit shall include an examination of the  
11 following:

12       (1) The performance of the elections process, addressing  
13       among other things, security, reliability, and  
14       verifiability issues related to electronic voting  
15       machines, computer software and hardware, the accuracy  
16       of the vote count, voting procedures, and the conduct  
17       of the election;



- 1        (2) The operations of the office of elections, including
- 2                management, as related to accuracy of the election;
- 3        (3) Budget; and
- 4        (4) Procurement.

5 The auditor shall report to the legislature on findings and  
 6 recommendations no later than one hundred and twenty days  
 7 following each general election."

8            SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general  
 9 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$            or so  
 10 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2010-2011 for  
 11 the auditor to conduct audits of elections.

12            The sum appropriated shall be expended by the auditor for  
 13 the purposes of this Act.

14            SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.

15            SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval,  
 16 and shall apply to all elections occurring after July 1, 2010.

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**Report Title:**

Auditor; Elections Audit

**Description:**

Requires the auditor to conduct an audit of every statewide primary and general election and to report to the legislature.

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