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S.B. NO. 949

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO VOTE DISPOSITION.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 11-151, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 "**§11-151 Vote count.** Each contest or question on a ballot
4 shall be counted independently as follows:

5 (1) If the votes cast in a contest or question are equal
6 to or less than the number to be elected or chosen for
7 that contest or question, the votes for that contest
8 or question shall be counted;

9 (2) If the votes cast in a contest or question exceed the
10 number to be elected or chosen for that contest or
11 question, the votes for that contest or question shall
12 not be counted; and

13 (3) If a contest or question requires a majority of the
14 votes for passage, any blank, spoiled, or invalid
15 ballot shall not be tallied for passage or as votes
16 cast except that such ballots shall be counted as
17 votes cast [~~in ratification of a constitutional~~



1 amendment ~~or~~] on a question for a constitutional
2 convention."

3 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
4 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

5 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon the
6 ratification of a constitutional amendment specifying that
7 blank, spoiled, or invalid ballots shall not be counted as votes
8 cast in ratification of a constitutional amendment.

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Report Title:

Vote Disposition; Constitutional Amendment

Description:

Clarifies that blank, spoiled, or invalid ballots shall not be tallied as votes cast in ratification of a constitutional amendment. Effective upon passage of conforming constitutional amendment.

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