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A BILL FOR AN ACT

PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE III OF THE HAWAII STATE
CONSTITUTION TO PROVIDE FOR A CITIZENS' LEGISLATIVE
INITIATIVE.

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

1 SECTION 1. The purpose of this Act is to propose an
2 amendment to article III of the Constitution of the State of
3 Hawaii to provide for a citizens' legislative initiative.

4 SECTION 2. Article III of the Constitution of the State of
5 Hawaii is amended by adding a new section to be appropriately
6 designated and to read as follows:

7 **"CITIZENS' LEGISLATIVE INITIATIVE"**

8 Section . Through a citizens' legislative initiative,
9 any registered voter may propose a bill to amend state law by
10 collecting signatures in support of the bill from a percentage
11 of registered voters in each county, as provided by law. The
12 chief elections officer shall certify that the bill satisfies
13 all initiative requirements and submit the bill to the
14 legislature's presiding officers at the convening of the next
15 legislative session. The presiding officers shall introduce and
16 refer the bill to a committee or committees, where one-third of
17 the members of either house may require a public hearing on the



1 bill. One-third of the respective house or senate members may
2 affirmatively vote for the bill to be recalled from committee."

3 SECTION 3. The question to be printed on the ballot shall
4 be as follows:

5 "Shall there be a citizens' legislative initiative allowing
6 registered voters to propose a bill to amend state law by
7 collecting signatures in support of the bill from a
8 percentage of registered voters in each county?"

9 SECTION 4. New constitutional material is underscored.

10 SECTION 5. This amendment shall take effect upon
11 compliance with article XVII, section 3, of the Constitution of
12 the State of Hawaii.

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Report Title:

Citizens' Legislative Initiative; Constitutional Amendment

Description:

Proposes an amendment to the Hawaii State Constitution to provide for a citizens' legislative initiative.

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