
SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE OFFICE OF ELECTIONS TO PROVIDE A STATUS UPDATE ON
THE IMPLEMENTATION OF HAWAII'S NEW VOTER REGISTRATION
SYSTEM.

1 WHEREAS, the Help America Vote Act of 2002 (HAVA) was
2 signed into law on October 29, 2002, to establish a program to
3 assist in the administration of elections; and
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5 WHEREAS, HAVA appropriated \$3,280,000,000 to the states, of
6 which Hawaii received \$16,596,803; and
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8 WHEREAS, HAVA required states to comply with HAVA by
9 January 1, 2006, and to use the funds to establish and implement
10 new programs and standards pertaining to a computerized
11 statewide voter registration database, provisional voting,
12 voting information, updated and upgraded voting equipment,
13 administrative complaints, and voter identification; and
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15 WHEREAS, HAVA does not require states to re-appropriate the
16 funds, but instead requires that each state submit a state plan
17 regarding programs and funds for publication in the Federal
18 Register to the Election Assistance Commission; and
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20 WHEREAS, Hawaii's HAVA state plan was published in the
21 Federal Register on March 24, 2004; and
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23 WHEREAS, computerized voter registration systems play a
24 vital role in ensuring the accuracy and validity of the
25 electoral process; and
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27 WHEREAS, Hawaii allocated \$4,000,000 of funds provided
28 pursuant to section 251 of HAVA for a new voter registration
29 system; and
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1 WHEREAS, the Office of Elections issued a request for
2 proposals and executed a contract with a vendor to provide a new
3 voter registration and election management system; and
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5 WHEREAS, as an election stakeholder, the Legislature needs
6 assurance that the new voter registration system project is
7 being properly managed and will be ready for use in the 2018
8 elections; now, therefore,
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10 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-eighth
11 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2016, the
12 House of Representatives concurring, that the Office of
13 Elections is requested to provide the Legislature with a status
14 update on the implementation of Hawaii's new voter registration
15 system; and
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17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Office of Elections is
18 requested to include, at a minimum, the following information in
19 the status update:
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- 21 (1) Project management schedule that itemizes the various
22 project deliverables and delivery timeline;
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- 24 (2) Identification of completed deliverables and the
25 amounts paid to the State's contractor;
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- 27 (3) Description of the process used for quality assurance
28 and resolution of issues or problems identified by
29 users;
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- 31 (4) Management plan for the voter registration system that
32 includes descriptions of the projected annual
33 operational costs, risk mitigation, and user support;
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- 36 (5) Itemization of expenditures from funds provided
37 pursuant to sections 101 and 251 of HAVA; and
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39 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Office of Elections is
40 requested to submit:
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- 1 (1) A preliminary status update to the Legislature no
- 2 later than July 1, 2016; and
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- 4 (2) A final status update to the Legislature no later than
- 5 twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular
- 6 Session of 2017; and
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8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
9 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Chief Election
10 Officer, Chairperson of the Elections Commission, and County
11 Clerk of each county in this State.

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