
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION OF BALLOTS.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 15-5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:
3 "(b) If absentee ballots requested under section 15-4 are
4 not received by a voter within five days of an election, if a
5 voter requires a replacement ballot within five days of an
6 election, or if a voter would otherwise not be able to return a
7 properly issued ballot by the close of polls, then a voter may
8 request that absentee ballots be forwarded by electronic
9 transmission[-]; provided that a voter with special needs may
10 request that a ballot be forwarded by electronic transmission at
11 any time. Upon receipt of such a request and confirmation that
12 proper application was made, the clerk may transmit appropriate
13 ballots, together with a form requiring the affirmations and
14 information required by section 15-6, and a form containing a
15 waiver of the right to secrecy, as provided by section 11-137.
16 The voter may return the voted ballots and executed forms by
17 electronic transmission or mail; provided that they are received



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Description:

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be forwarded by electronic transmission at any time.

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