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## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO ELECTIONS.

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

SECTION 1. Section 12-2, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
 amended to read as follows:

3 "§12-2 Primary held when; candidates only those nominated.
4 The primary shall be held on the second Saturday of August in
5 every even numbered year.

[No] Except for persons nominated for lieutenant governor
pursuant to Article V, section 2 of the state constitution, no
person shall be a candidate for any general or special general
election unless the person has been nominated in the immediately
preceding primary or special primary."

SECTION 2. Section 12-5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

13 "(a) Nomination papers for candidates for members of 14 Congress[, governor, and lieutenant] and governor shall be 15 signed by not less than twenty-five registered voters of the 16 State or of the Congressional district from which the candidates

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are running in the case of candidates for the United States 1 2 House of Representatives." 3 SECTION 3. Section 12-6, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 4 amended as follows: 1. By amending subsection (c) to read: 5 6 [+](c)[+] There shall be deposited with each nomination 7 paper a filing fee on account of the expenses attending the 8 holding of the primary, special primary, or special election 9 which shall be paid into the treasury of the State, or county, as the case may be, as a realization: 10 For United States senators and United States 11 (1)12 representatives--\$75; (2) For [governor\_and\_lieutenant] governor--\$750; 13 14 For mayor--\$500; and (3) 15 (4) For all other offices--\$250." 16 By amending subsection (e) to read: 2. 17 "(e) Upon the showing of a certified copy of an affidavit which has been filed with the campaign spending commission 18 19 pursuant to section 11-423 by a candidate who has voluntarily 20 agreed to abide by spending limits, the chief election officer

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1 or clerk shall discount the filing fee of the candidate by the 2 following amounts: 3 (1) For the office of [governor and lieutenant] governor--4 \$675; 5 (2) For the office of mayor--\$450; and 6 (3) For all other offices--\$225." 7 SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed 8 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored. 9 SECTION 5. This amendment shall take effect upon 10 ratification of a constitutional amendment, proposed in the 2022 11 general election, that requires that a nominee for lieutenant governor be appointed by the gubernatorial nominee from the same 12 13 political party. 14

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#### Report Title:

Primary Elections; Lieutenant Governor; Appointments

#### Description:

Amends sections of chapter 12, HRS, to conform with an amendment to Article V, Section 2 of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii to require that a nominee for Lieutenant Governor be appointed by the gubernatorial nominee from the same political party. Takes effect upon the ratification of a constitutional amendment proposed in the 2022 general election.

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