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TESTIMONY OF THE
CHIEF ELECTION OFFICER, OFFICE OF ELECTIONS
TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY
ON SENATE BILL NO. 2334
RELATING TO ELECTION AUDITS

February 1, 2024

Chair Rhoads and members of the Senate Committee on Judiciary, thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on Senate Bill No. 2334. This bill clarifies that the chief election officer must audit all elections in the randomly selected precincts as a condition of using an electronic voting system to create an electronic tally of ballots.

The post-election audits are conducted to confirm the results, ensuring the accuracy and integrity of the election results. Pursuant to HRS §16-42, we audit 10% of precincts randomly selected by Official Observers. The Official Observers then select a contest from each randomly selected precinct. We would also note that if a discrepancy is detected, as an outcome of the audit, the Chief Election Officer may expand the audit to include additional contests or precincts. It takes approximately 6 days after each election to conduct the audit in this manner and must be completed before the results are certified.

Our testimony on this measure focuses on the increased time required to audit all contests on 10% of precincts as the noted time required of 6 days is based on tallying the results for 1 contest. Using the voting equipment allows the counted ballots to be filtered to the selected precinct and viewed to create a hand tally of expected results. As such, we calculate that the time required to conduct an audit of all elections on the audit district/precinct is multiplied by the number of possible contests.

For each Hawaii election between 2014 to 2022, there has been an average of 249 ballot types corresponding with at least 25 district/precincts being selected for the audit and representing 25 contests being audited (i.e., 1 per district/precinct), for each primary and general election. Additionally, there have been approximately 12 contests per district/precinct, of which 4 are partisan contests resulting in up to 36 contests per primary election ballot adjusting for the average of 7 political parties. The number of political parties does not impact the number of contests for the general election.

More specifically, for the 2022 General Election, the post-election audit was conducted on the following:

	Audit Contest	Mail turnout	In-person turnout
	D/P		
1.	01-03 State Senator, Dist 1	3,276	118
2.	03-02 HAWAII: Board of Ethics	2,792	134
3.	04-03 U.S. Representative, Dist II	1,856	89
4.	06-02 Governor and Lieutenant Governor	1,902	133
5.	07-02 U.S. Senator	1,478	175
6.	09-01 U.S. Senator	1,654	49
7.	10-02 Governor and Lieutenant Governor	647	10
8.	12-01 Councilmember (Wailuku-Waihee-Waikapu)	1,980	58
9.	13-01 Mayor, County of Maui	1,081	62
10.	15-04 Governor and Lieutenant Governor	2,934	218
11.	17-02 U.S. Representative, Dist II	2,572	146
12.	18-05 State Senator, Dist 9	2,639	67
13.	22-02 Governor and Lieutenant Governor	485	15
14.	23-04 Governor and Lieutenant Governor	1,505	58
15.	30-04 State Senator, Dist 15	350	37
16.	33-03 State Senator, Dist 16	824	34
17.	35-05 Councilmember, Dist VIII	1,222	36
18.	40-02 Governor and Lieutenant Governor	1,330	97
19.	41-01 State Representative, Dist 41	4,500	354
20.	43-02 U.S. Representative, Dist II	1,326	82
21.	44-04 State Senator, Dist 22	2,110	171
22.	45-02 State Senator, Dist 22	1,420	83
23.	46-04 State Senator, Dist 23	466	24
24.	46-07 Councilmember, Dist II	700	33
25.	47-01 HONOLULU: Affordable Housing Fund	1,510	49
26.	51-01 State Senator, Dist 25	1,822	56
27.	51-04 State Representative, Dist 51	1,259	36

We would note, that the conduct of post-election audits varies by state. Hawaii is 1 of 2 states that requires a sample of 10% of precincts. Of the 34 states that conduct traditional audits, based on percentages of either precincts or machines, the required percentages for most states are auditing 1%-5% of precincts and identifying criteria for a number and type of contest. Criteria other states require for the audit contests may include a narrow percentage margin of vote, the scope of the contest (e.g., 1 statewide contest, 1, district-specific contest), or a specific number of contests.

As a vote by mail state, we would also like to highlight the audit processes, as noted by the National Conference of State Legislatures, of the other 7 states and the District of Columbia conducting elections by mail:

- California conducts traditional audits of 1% of precincts to be randomly selected and 1 precinct for each race not included in the randomly selected precinct. California elections also have the option to conduct risk limiting audits. The audit is conducted during the canvass.
- Colorado conducts risk limiting audits to be completed before the canvass deadline.
- Nevada will conduct risk limiting audits starting with the 2024 Elections. When traditional audits were conducted it required counties with populations of more than 100,000 to audit 2% of machines and 3% of machines in counties with a population of less than 100,000 to be completed within 7 working days of the election.
- Oregon may conduct risk limiting audits or tiered traditional audits based on the margin of votes such that when there is a difference of less than 1% for elections, 10% of precincts are audited; for a margin of victory between 1% and 2%, 5% of precincts are audited; and contests where the margin is greater than 3%, 3% of precincts are audited. The audit must be completed within 30 days of the election.
- Utah conducts traditional audits of 1% of ballots or 1,000 mail ballots whichever is less and 1 accessible voting machine per 100 deployed. The audit must be completed before the canvass.
- Vermont conducts traditional audits to be determined by the Secretary of State within 30 days of the election.
- Washington conducts traditional audits on 4% percent of in person voting equipment with more than 10 votes and risk limiting audits for mail ballots.

- District of Columbia conducts traditional audits on 5% of precincts and 3 contests.

We would propose that this measure be amended to clarify the intent of the post-election audit is to confirm the election results rather than conducting a hand tally recount of the elections associated with the ballot. We believe it would be both beneficial and pragmatic to reduce the required percentage of precincts to 5% or at least 2 precincts per County - whichever is greater, and at least 3 contests of which at least 1 statewide or countywide contest is audited. This would increase the number of contests audited.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on Senate Bill No. 2334.

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Submitted on: 1/28/2024 10:06:55 PM

Testimony for JDC on 2/1/2024 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Jacob Wiencek	Testifying for Hawaii Young Republicans	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha Senators,

On behalf of Hawaii Young Republicans, we support this bill. Restoring public confidence in our elections requires clarity in the law. This measure provides the clarity necessary to officeholders on how to properly audit elections and removes ambiguity. We urge the committee to support this legislation!

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Submitted on: 1/31/2024 8:27:44 AM

Testimony for JDC on 2/1/2024 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Corinne Solomon	Individual	Oppose	Remotely Via Zoom

Comments:

Testimony SB2334

Aloha Committee Chair Rhoads and JDC Committee Members,

I oppose SB2334.

There is ample documentation from nonpartisan well respected sources (I can provide these upon request) recommending that post-election precertification audits **randomly audit 10% of all precincts and use the physical paper ballots.** Best practices do not state that you need to randomly audit all races on the ballot, but it may sound like a good idea.

At face value this bill appears well intended.

However, if this bill becomes law, the Office of Elections will claim that the only way to expediently do the audits will be to use ballot images instead of the original physical paper ballots. They may also claim that the number of precincts to be audited needs to be reduced, which goes against best practices.

Accuracy and accountability should never be compromised for expediency.

Audit a random selection of 10% of precincts and use the original physical paper ballots.

We deserve nothing less.

Mahalo for this opportunity to provide testimony.

Respectfully submitted,

Corinne Solomon HD20 resident

SB-2334

Submitted on: 1/31/2024 10:31:14 AM

Testimony for JDC on 2/1/2024 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Clint Curtis	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I have been asked to testify by Zoom (possibly as an expert) but that selection has been disabled. Following is a short summary of my credentials.

Clint Curtis has extensive experience with voting machine technology. He wrote the prototype for electronic voting machines in 2000 and testified before Congress in 2004. He has worked in a computer programmer role for NASA, DOT, DOD, FDLE, Exxon Mobil, Ryder and several other governmental agencies and fortune 500 companies. As part of his expertise he developed projects that produce images for utilization in Electronic Document Management Systems. In addition he has provided testimony on electronic voting machines in the Texas, Arizona and Kansas legislatures during 2023 and provided testimony to multiple other countries across the globe including Germany, the Netherlands, Bosnia, Italy, Korea, China and many others. He has been featured in multiple documentaries across the globe and in the US related to electronic voting machine technology.

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Submitted on: 1/30/2024 7:12:45 AM

Testimony for JDC on 2/1/2024 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Andrew Crossland	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I **oppose** this Bill.

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Submitted on: 1/30/2024 10:05:43 AM

Testimony for JDC on 2/1/2024 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Ryan Willis	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I Strongly Oppose.

The only way is One day, In Person, Government ID, Paper ballot voting

SB-2334

Submitted on: 1/30/2024 10:07:27 AM

Testimony for JDC on 2/1/2024 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Kanoë Willis	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I Strongly Oppose.

The only way is One day, In Person, Government ID, Paper ballot voting

SB-2334

Submitted on: 1/30/2024 10:54:50 AM

Testimony for JDC on 2/1/2024 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Jessica Caiazzo	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha, my name is Jessica "Priya" Caiazzo, and I strongly oppose this bill as there is a major issue ACCURACY. While reading these bills I'm in shock on the efforts to hurt our election protection and restore faith in that we the people have a say and we are heard. We want to vote and be able to say we have complete faith in this system. This bill fails at that. Stick with paper ballots.

Mahalo,

Jessica "Priya" Caiazzo,

SB-2334

Submitted on: 1/30/2024 11:16:26 AM

Testimony for JDC on 2/1/2024 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
tania victorine	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Accuracy is more important than efficiency!! PAPER BALLOTS ONLY!!! Hire more people if needed!!

SB-2334

Submitted on: 1/30/2024 11:35:52 AM

Testimony for JDC on 2/1/2024 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Teresa Parmenter	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I OPPOSE SB 2334

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Submitted on: 1/30/2024 12:29:18 PM

Testimony for JDC on 2/1/2024 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
TERI SAVAIINAEA	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose SB 2334.

Thank you,

Teri Savaiinaea

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Submitted on: 1/30/2024 12:32:12 PM

Testimony for JDC on 2/1/2024 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Yvonne Alvarado	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I, Yvonne L. Alvarado Oppose Bill SB2334.

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Submitted on: 1/30/2024 1:08:27 PM

Testimony for JDC on 2/1/2024 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Bernadette M. Smith	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose this bill. We need to have paper ballots for election audits.

Thank you,

Bernadette M. Smith

SB-2334

Submitted on: 1/30/2024 1:19:51 PM

Testimony for JDC on 2/1/2024 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Alexis Caramonte	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I strongly oppose this bill. The use of electronic voting systems are unreliable and can be manipulated.

Maha

SB-2334

Submitted on: 1/30/2024 1:40:54 PM

Testimony for JDC on 2/1/2024 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Ralph Sherman	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Paper ballots only. Why make it easier to cheat? Oh, I know because you are already cheating on the elections and don't want to get caught. No mail in voting.

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Submitted on: 1/30/2024 1:49:38 PM

Testimony for JDC on 2/1/2024 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Tatiana Maumausolo	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose this Bill and so shall you. This Bill allows election audits to be conducted with electronic tallies/images instead of the original paper ballots. This Bill will destroy free, fair and transparent elections forever. Election fraud will skyrocket if this Bill is passed!

SB-2334

Submitted on: 1/30/2024 1:54:45 PM

Testimony for JDC on 2/1/2024 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Marcus Tanaka	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Chain of custody is lost if paper envelopes and paper ballots aren't looked at.

TESTIMONY TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY 02-01-24

Senator Karl Rhoads, Chair
Senator Mike Gabbard, Vice Chair
ON
S.B. 2333 RELATING TO ELECTION AUDITS

by
Scott W. Smart

Chairman Rhoads and members of the Senate Committee on Judiciary:

I am testifying AGAINST S.B. 2333

A dictionary definition of “audit” is:

a methodical examination and review

This bill would reduce the ability to methodically examine election processes in an audit. The bill states:

“accurate copies of the paper ballots, including accurate electronic copies, may be used in place of the paper ballots”

It should be self-evident that the condition of “accurate” copy can only be determined by an audit; this is the whole purpose of the audit. Allowing the Office of Elections or County Clerks to self-declare copies to be “accurate” defeats the whole purpose of the audit.

Instead, the statute could be amended to require the Office of Elections and County Clerks to segregate all hand-marked ballots, originating at mail-in or at voting service centers, by voting precinct at time of receipt to facilitate the audit of random precincts. This is the only way to ensure that voter intent has been correctly maintained throughout the scanning and tabulating process. Where electronically prepared ballots are used with a paper copy back up, these paper backups should also be precinct-separated.

As a citizen and voter since 1972, this is the minimum that should be done to ensure that my vote is fairly counted. The real solution is hand-marked, hand-counted ballots cast in person.

/s/

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Submitted on: 1/30/2024 2:51:38 PM

Testimony for JDC on 2/1/2024 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Cynthia Decenzo	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose this Bill.

SB-2334

Submitted on: 1/30/2024 2:57:05 PM

Testimony for JDC on 2/1/2024 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
A Hamasaki	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I strongly oppose SB2334. Election audits should be conducted with the original paper ballots not electronically. Elections held should be free, fair, and transparent. This bill will not uphold the integrity of the elections. Again, I oppose SB2334.

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Submitted on: 1/30/2024 3:00:16 PM

Testimony for JDC on 2/1/2024 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Lesha Mathes	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose this bill.

SB-2334

Submitted on: 1/30/2024 3:01:29 PM

Testimony for JDC on 2/1/2024 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Jennifer Cabjuan	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Oppose as written. Please include language that specifies original paper ballots instead of ballot images. Don't take shortcuts with our votes.

SB-2334

Submitted on: 1/30/2024 3:47:42 PM

Testimony for JDC on 2/1/2024 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Jadine L Brown	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose this because we need to perform any audits from the original paper ballots.

SB-2334

Submitted on: 1/30/2024 3:59:50 PM

Testimony for JDC on 2/1/2024 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Jessica Penner	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Audits should be conducted with paper ballots ONLY. Voting machines have been proven to be hackable. Software that de-couples and randomizes voter profiles from ballots have made transparency impossible. Polls via mainstream media over the last 12 months show that between 30-50% of Americans believe that the 2020 presidential election was stolen. There has been a serious erosion of trust over the last 10-12 years in regard to election integrity. LESS TECH, MORE ACCOUNTABILITY. This is what truly benefits the public.

SB-2334

Submitted on: 1/30/2024 4:32:09 PM

Testimony for JDC on 2/1/2024 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Jennifer Shelton	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Electronic ballots should not be used. Paper ballots should be required to minimize election fraud.

SB-2334

Submitted on: 1/30/2024 4:49:42 PM

Testimony for JDC on 2/1/2024 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
James R Cabodol Jr	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Copies of ballots should not be in the audit it may take a little more time but counting ACTUAL BALLOTS, will cause for a more accurate count during audits HIGHLY OPPOSE THIS BILL

SB-2334

Submitted on: 1/30/2024 5:18:17 PM

Testimony for JDC on 2/1/2024 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Lora	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I strongly oppose this Bill. We must needs be to bring back the original paper ballots for election audits, not any digital ballot images that is prone to have a high risk of fraudulent results.

SB-2334

Submitted on: 1/30/2024 5:40:54 PM

Testimony for JDC on 2/1/2024 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
PATRICK BROWN	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose this Bill.

SB-2334

Submitted on: 1/30/2024 5:53:49 PM

Testimony for JDC on 2/1/2024 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Dominic	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I OPPOSE THIS BILL!

SB-2334

Submitted on: 1/30/2024 5:55:11 PM

Testimony for JDC on 2/1/2024 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Nyla	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I OPPOSE THIS BILL!

SB-2334

Submitted on: 1/30/2024 7:03:53 PM

Testimony for JDC on 2/1/2024 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Anne Kamau	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose this bill. Mahalo.

SB-2334

Submitted on: 1/30/2024 7:11:45 PM

Testimony for JDC on 2/1/2024 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Anastasia Yamauchi	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose this bill only paper ballots and human countwrs no electronic anything!!!

SB-2334

Submitted on: 1/30/2024 7:33:49 PM

Testimony for JDC on 2/1/2024 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Michael Moylan	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose Bill SB2334.

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Submitted on: 1/30/2024 8:40:42 PM

Testimony for JDC on 2/1/2024 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Rita Wong	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I absolutely OPPOSE SB 2334!

Free, fair, transparent elections would be destroyed forever

SB-2334

Submitted on: 1/30/2024 9:25:25 PM

Testimony for JDC on 2/1/2024 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Carol D. Yokoyama	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha Committee,

Please strongly OPPOSE SB2334. I believe we all have received some kind of notice, probably several notices, that one of our accounts linked to our name and other sensitive information, had been breached. Electronic systems are being hacked all the time. Therefore, I respectfully request that SB2334 be opposed because of ALL the things that can go wrong with electronic tally counting of votes, including fraud.

Please stand for integrity. As our elected officials, there is a duty to make sure we have fair and transparent elections. Please OPPOSE SB2334.

Mahalo Nui Loa for your time.

SB-2334

Submitted on: 1/30/2024 10:28:52 PM

Testimony for JDC on 2/1/2024 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Glenn Grimes	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I OPPOSE THIS BILL. This bill will remove power from the people and give control of our elections to a 3rd party, thus, it makes it unconstitutional. In addition, all electronic processes are insecure and vulnerable to manipulation. For example, Professor J. Alex Alderman of the University of Michigan, proved it in a Georgia court of law recently: "In a Federal Court In Atlanta Georgia On Friday J. Alex Halderman [@jhalderm](#) was Able To HACK A DOMINION VOTING TABULATOR In Front Of U.S. District Judge Amy Totenberg USING ONLY A PEN TO CHANGE VOTE TOTALS! ... Plaintiff's Seek To Remove What They Say Are Insecure Voting Machines In Georgia In Favor Of Secure Paper Ballots."

Please refer to Professor Alderman's Security Analysis of Georgia's ImageCast X Ballot Marking Devices:

<https://storage.courtlistener.com/recap/gov.uscourts.gand.240678/gov.uscourts.gand.240678.1681.0.pdf>

The State of Hawaii has a small population and has no need to ever use voting machines and/or any electronic processes in our elections.

Sincerely,

Glenn Grimes

SB-2334

Submitted on: 1/30/2024 11:06:26 PM

Testimony for JDC on 2/1/2024 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
CHESTER LUM	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Thank you for allowing me to submit testimony opposing this bill.

Glitches can occur in machines at any time and cause the scanned image to reflect a vote that is not the intent of the voter. Re-running that scanned image multiple times will only result in counting the error vote multiple times. If there are any discrepancies between the paper ballot count and the machine count, then it will be caused by a machine glitch.

Accuracy should never be compromised in the election process.

SB2334 should be tabled.

Once again, thank you for allowing me to submit testimony opposing this bill.

Chester Lum

SB-2334

Submitted on: 1/30/2024 11:49:05 PM

Testimony for JDC on 2/1/2024 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
L.C.	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose this bill. A precinct audit should include all races verified by the original paper ballots. Why should only one race be audited if votes were cast electronically for all? Figure out a way to find and match up the original ballots...that's what we the people pay you for. Or get rid of the hackable electronic voting systems and there will be no need for this type of legislation.

SB-2334

Submitted on: 1/31/2024 12:48:17 AM

Testimony for JDC on 2/1/2024 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Scott Shedko	Individual	Comments	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I believe "for all elections" is the original intention of HRS16-42; however, as some have found it ambiguous, these additions will serve to make it perfectly clear!

It would also be an improvement for the text to read "...hand tallies of *original* paper ballots, *not copies or representations*,..." (page 2, line 19), which I believe is also the intention of HRS16-42, and would bolster voter confidence. In which case, I would strongly support this bill!

Mahalo

SB-2334

Submitted on: 1/31/2024 1:43:45 AM

Testimony for JDC on 2/1/2024 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Alice Abellanida	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose this bill. Accuracy is more important.

SB-2334

Submitted on: 1/31/2024 2:54:13 AM

Testimony for JDC on 2/1/2024 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Terry Murakami	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

While audits are good, this bill allows counting of "ballot images" instead of counting the original paper ballots for audits.

SB-2334

Submitted on: 1/31/2024 5:31:25 AM

Testimony for JDC on 2/1/2024 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Sherilyn Wells	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Pass this bill ONLY IF the original paper ballots are used/mandatory and no images are used as a substitute. My family members with professional expertise (professional photographers and high-level IT programmers) confirm this would NOT be secure - just the opposite.

Any "system" other than paper ballots, hand-counted with full observation (live camera coverage, full-spectrum set of human observers, etc.), as well as other safeguards to prevent ballot stuffing (see 2000 Mules as one example - <https://rumble.com/v14hk32-fact-checking-the-fact-checkers-on-2000-mules.html>), is completely open to manipulation, of which Hawai'i has seen more than its share (and here I refer to the complete documentation I submitted to every member of the legislature in 2022, revealing that our Election Officer committed a federal felony - after which he was given a pay raise - by declining to provide timely-requested Cast Vote Records and admitting in writing that he had not retained control of the data). Since the testimony of Clinton Eugene Curtis revealed that a minimum of 2 decades of ballot result manipulation has been going on, courtesy of undetectable software he was tasked to produce, since Professor Halderman demonstrated in front of a federal judge that he could use a pen to alter electronic voting tabulators, since Hart InterCivic partnered with Bill Gates (re the paradoxically named "ElectionGuard"), We The People have known that our elections have been rigged to install strategically placed officials and/or a sufficient number of general representatives, who clearly do not understand (or do not support) our Constitution and their associated duties, in public office. Whether these individuals were compromised, complicit, coerced, cowardly, controlled, or simply clueless, the outcome has been the same – a legislature that is intent on continuing to dismantle the structure that would guarantee legitimate elections. For those Senators who still believe that our Constitution and that our elections should be beyond any form of compromise, please oppose this bill.

For anyone who hasn't seen and is interested in my documentation of Election Office fraud in 2022 (regarding the 2020 Cast Vote Records), please contact me for that documentation.

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Submitted on: 1/31/2024 7:45:17 AM

Testimony for JDC on 2/1/2024 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Frederick Perreira	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Strongly oppose this bill. Audits should be done with the original paper ballots! Bring back free and fair elections.

SB-2334

Submitted on: 1/31/2024 7:46:55 AM

Testimony for JDC on 2/1/2024 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Monique Perreira	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Strongly oppose! We need to use ORIGINAL PAPER BALLOTS for audits. Bring back free and fair elections!

SB-2334

Submitted on: 1/31/2024 7:55:12 AM

Testimony for JDC on 2/1/2024 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Doug Pasnik	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I submit this testimony in opposition to SB 2334.

Although this legislation aligns the requirement to count “all elections” with HRS 16-25, it fails to clarify that this audit comparison ensures that the “electronic tallies generated by the electronic voting system” equals the “hand tallies of the original paper ballots submitted by the voter for all elections in those precincts...”

To bring this legislation in compliance with HRS 1-14 and HRS 1-15, HRS 16-42(b)(3) should read as follows:

HRS 16-42(b)(3) The chief election officer conducts a post-election, pre-certification audit of a random sample of not less than ten per cent of the precincts employing the electronic voting system, to verify that the electronic tallies generated by the “electronic voting” system for all elections in those precincts equal hand tallies of the “original” paper ballots ~~generated by the system~~ “submitted by the voter” for all elections in those precincts; and

With this change, I support this legislation.

SB-2334

Submitted on: 1/31/2024 8:27:49 AM

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Dianna Tangen	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Accuracy is more important than efficiency. Paper ballots only to reduce the capability of fraud.

SB-2334

Submitted on: 1/31/2024 8:36:28 AM

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
julie schaus	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose sb 2334

only paper original ballots shall be used

anything else is illegal

SB-2334

Submitted on: 1/31/2024 8:39:12 AM

Testimony for JDC on 2/1/2024 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Greg schaus	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose sb 2334

this is unconstitutional and unlawful

SB-2334

Submitted on: 1/31/2024 8:54:45 AM

Testimony for JDC on 2/1/2024 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Kay Aina	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha Chair and Commttee members,

The intent of this measure appears to be commendable, however, it needs to be amended in order to accomplish its purpose. We need accurate elections audits, not simply efficient ones. Please amend this measure to use paper ballots only, not ballot images which studies show can be manipulated. Thank you for this opportunity to testify.

SB-2334

Submitted on: 1/31/2024 8:55:27 AM

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Sam schaus	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose sb 2334

this is illegal and unconstitutional

SB-2334

Submitted on: 1/31/2024 8:57:07 AM

Testimony for JDC on 2/1/2024 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Robin Gusich-Batara	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose SB2334 that will allow audits to use electronic tallies vs actual hand counted ballots. The electronic system is not fail proof. We need to have a way to confirm or disqualify not only election results, but the accuracy of an electronic system that can be easily hacked. To rely fully on an electronic system is lazy and risky. If it ain't broke, don't fix it.

Thank you

SB-2334

Submitted on: 1/31/2024 9:00:24 AM

Testimony for JDC on 2/1/2024 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Noela von Wiegandt	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha,

I oppose this Bill.

We need original paper ballots for election audits.

Election Audits can be hacked, there is truly no transparency in this methodology.

Our future elections will just be the dog and pony show to fool people into thinking everything is ok.

In reality, you folks do not really give a hoot about We the People want.

You want EVERYTHING to go your way, just like a toddler throwing a tantrum. Auwe!

Thank you very much,

Noela von Wiegandt

SB-2334

Submitted on: 1/31/2024 9:01:21 AM

Testimony for JDC on 2/1/2024 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Laurie Langton	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha

I am writing to stronly Oppose this bill SB2334 . Again, we need paper ballots, and hand tallies. No digital images of ballots should ever be used. This is an open invitation for duplication and fraud.

If you do not wish to appear as though you want to alter election outcomes, do NOT pass these bills.

Thank you,

Laurie Langton

SB-2334

Submitted on: 1/31/2024 10:05:15 AM

Testimony for JDC on 2/1/2024 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Magoon Ohana	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Clean it up!! Stop the continued corruption!

SB-2334

Submitted on: 1/31/2024 11:59:45 AM

Testimony for JDC on 2/1/2024 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Ron Soderstrom	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

This could be a good bill if it were written more clearly to ensure only the original ballot could be used and not a photocopy.

SB-2334

Submitted on: 1/31/2024 1:58:39 PM

Testimony for JDC on 2/1/2024 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Larry Duclayan	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I strongly oppose SB2334.

Mahalo!

SB-2334

Submitted on: 1/31/2024 10:36:23 PM

Testimony for JDC on 2/1/2024 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Mary Healy	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose this bill.

SB-2334

Submitted on: 2/1/2024 11:42:36 AM

Testimony for JDC on 2/1/2024 9:00:00 AM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
L Toriki	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I oppose this bill.

While I agree that audits must be performed, **I AM NOT IN FAVOR** of electronic voting machines or digital images. Electronic voting machines and digital images creates too much opportunity for fraud and manipulation of the ballot appearance and ballot count.

Audits must be performed on the original PAPER BALLOTS to ensure a free and fair election process. The election officer should not use auditing as an excuse to switch to digital imagery of the ballots.