

**ACT 93**

H. B. 670.

A Bill for an Act to Amend Chapter 11, Revised Laws of Hawaii 1955, as Amended, to Authorize the Use of Electronic Voting Systems.

*Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:*

**SECTION 1.** Chapter 11, Revised Laws of Hawaii 1955, as amended, is hereby further amended by adding a new section to be numbered section 11-171.5, and to read as follows:

**“Sec. 11-171.5. Electronic voting systems authorized.** Electronic voting systems which have been approved by the lieutenant governor are authorized for use in all state and county elections, whether a general, special or primary election; provided that such systems enable the voter to cast a vote in secrecy for all offices and all measures on which he is entitled to vote, and that the automatic tabulating equipment of such systems

may be set to reject all votes for any office or measure when the number of votes therefor exceeds the number which the voter is entitled to cast.

“When used at primary elections, the automatic tabulating equipment of the electronic voting system shall count only votes for the candidates of one party, and will reject all votes for an office when the number of votes therefor exceeds the number which the voter is entitled to cast.

“The lieutenant governor may adopt, experiment with, or abandon any electronic voting system herein authorized and approved for use in the State, or any portion thereof.

“So far as applicable, the provisions of this part relating to voting machines including the provisions pertaining to the adoption of rules and regulations shall apply to electronic voting systems; provided, that the provisions of section 11-173 shall not apply to electronic voting systems.

“In every case where the ballots or ballot cards are handled by election officials, from the time such ballots and ballot cards are delivered to the several precincts to the time they are returned to the lieutenant governor for disposition upon completion of the tabulation, they shall be so handled in the presence of not less than two election officials who shall not be of the same political party.”

**SECTION 2.** This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

(Approved May 20, 1967.)