

ACT 55

S.B. NO. 1071

A Bill for an Act Relating to the Opening of the Absentee Polling Place.

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

SECTION 1. Section 15-7, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

“**§15-7 Absentee polling place.** (a) Absentee polling places shall be established at the office of the respective clerks, and may be established at such other sites as may be designated by the clerk under the provisions prescribed in the rules adopted by the chief election officer. Section 11-21 relating to changes and transfers of registration shall apply to the absentee polling place as though it were the precinct at which a person’s name properly appears on the list of registered voters.

(b) The absentee polling places shall be open no later than [eighteen days] ten working days before election day, and all Saturdays falling within that time period, or as soon thereafter as ballots are available[, to handle the absentee voters who are voting in person.]; provided that all absentee polling places shall be open on the same date statewide, as determined by the chief election officer.”

SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed. New statutory material is underscored.

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

(Approved April 29, 1998.)