# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO ELECTIONS.

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

1	SECTION 1. Chapter 11, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended
2	by adding a new section to be appropriately designated and to
3	read as follows:
4	"§11- Candidates for public office; public service
5	announcements; public funds. (a) No person who is a candidate
6	for office shall appear in, or lend the person's name, image, or
7	voice to any public service announcement or any advertisement
8	that is produced on behalf of any state-administered program or
9	paid for with state or public funds, from the time the candidate
10	files nomination papers until the time the person is no longer a
11	candidate for office.
12	(b) A candidate who is a public official shall be exempt
13	from the prohibition specified in subsection (a) if the
14	announcement or advertisement is in response to a disaster or
15	state or national emergency; provided that the announcement or
16	advertisement is reasonably necessary to an official function of
17	the candidate.

- 1 (c) This section shall not be construed to prohibit a
- 2 candidate from appearing in a broadcast of official state or
- 3 county proceedings."
- 4 SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.
- 5 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

# HB 3234

## Report Title:

Candidates for Public Office; Public Service Announcements

### Description:

Prohibits candidates for public office from appearing in public service announcements from the time of filing nomination papers until the time the person is no longer a candidate. (HB3234 HD1)