A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO ELECTION.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that Hawaii's statutes
- 2 specify that a person's voting rights are only lost upon
- 3 incarceration for a felony offense. The legislature further
- 4 finds that Hawaii's statutes directing the courts to report
- 5 felony convictions to election officials do not always contain
- 6 the necessary sentencing information because sentencing may
- 7 occur much later after a conviction.
- 8 The purpose of this Act is to amend state law to direct the
- 9 judiciary to report felony convictions at the time of actual
- 10 sentencing of the individual.
- 11 SECTION 2. Section 806-76, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 12 amended to read as follows:
- 13 "§806-76 Court proceedings; reports to county clerk.
- 14 Whenever in any circuit court, family court, or district court
- 15 any citizen of eighteen years of age or over is:
- 16 (1) Convicted of any felony;
- 17 (2) By reason of insanity acquitted of any such crime; or

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1	(3)	Adjudged insane or feeble-minded or otherwise legally
2		incompetent,
3	the clerk	of the court [shall], in each case [within ten days
4	thereafte	r], shall make and promptly transmit, to the clerk of
5	[each cou	nty] the respective county in which the person under
6	paragraph	s (1) to (3) is located, a certificate showing the fact
7	of the co	nviction or adjudication [and a sufficient identifying
8	descripti	on of the citizen.] within twenty days after sentencing
9	or entry	of other adjudication. The certificate given pursuant
10	to this p	aragraph shall include:
11	(1)	The name, date of birth, and social security number of
12		the person and any known aliases;
13	(2)	The person's residence address or last known residence
14		address;
15	(3)	The date of imposition the sentence or entry of other
16		adjudication;
17	(4)	A description of the offenses of which the person was
18		convicted; and
19	(5)	The sentence imposed judgement or other adjudication
20		entered by the court."
21	SECT	ION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
22	and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.	

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Report Title:

Elections; Convicted Felons

Description:

Directs judiciary to notify county clerk of a felony conviction at time of actual sentencing of the felon.

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