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### A BILL FOR AN ACT

PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE III OF THE CONSTITUTION OF THE STATE OF HAWAII FOR INITIATIVE.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The purpose of this Act is to propose
- 2 amendments to article III of the Constitution of the State of
- 3 Hawaii to provide for initiative. The legislature finds that no
- method exists for initiative in Hawaii and that this political 4
- mechanism would be in the best interest of Hawaii. This Act is 5
- self-executing, but the legislature may enact legislation to 6
- 7 facilitate its operation, including the timing and manner of an
- 8 initiative; provided that the legislation may not restrict or
- 9 limit the provisions of this section or the powers reserved in
- 10 this section.
- SECTION 2. Article III of the Constitution of the State of 11
- 12 Hawaii is amended by adding a new section to be appropriately
- 13 designated and to read as follows:
- 14 Section . Initiative. The initiative power shall be
- 15 reserved to the people.
- 16 SECTION 3. The question to be printed on the ballot shall
- **17** be as follows:

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- 1 "Shall the State Constitution be amended to specify that the
- initiative power shall be reserved to the people?"
- 3 SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed.
- 4 New statutory material is underscored.
- 5 SECTION 5. This amendment shall take effect upon
- 6 compliance with article XVII, section 3, of the Hawaii

7 Constitution.

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### Report Title:

Initiative

### Description:

Amends article III of the state constitution to provide for initiative.

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