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## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO ELECTIONS.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that voter confidence has
- 2 been shaken by recent voting irregularities in Hawaii and in
- 3 other states. In order to restore public confidence and to
- 4 encourage higher participation in the voting process, the
- 5 legislature believes that every effort should be made to reveal
- 6 voting results as soon as practicable to the voters in every
- 7 precinct. The legislature understands that the voting machines
- 8 used at polling places are capable of printing the totals of the
- 9 ballots deposited into those machines. This being the case, the
- 10 legislature finds that there is no reason why results of votes
- 11 cast at each polling place cannot be printed out and posted at
- 12 that precinct after the polls are closed.
- 13 SECTION 2. Chapter 11, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended
- 14 by adding a new section to be appropriately designated and to
- 15 read as follows:
- 16 "§11- Totals of votes cast at each polling place;
- 17 posting results. Within one hour after a poll has officially
- 18 closed after each election, the polling place shall post a



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- 1 printout of voting results from that polling place. The printed
- 2 results shall remain posted for twenty-four hours at a location
- 3 at or near the polling place where the public has access."
- 4 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.

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

# S.B. NO. 787

### Report Title:

Election Results; Precincts to Post

### Description:

Requires each polling place to post, for twenty-four hours beginning after the closing of the polls, the precinct results from the voting machines of that polling place.

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