

GOV. MSG. NO. 1269

EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS

DAVID Y. IGE GOVERNOR

June 29, 2016

The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi,
President
and Members of the Senate
Twenty-Eighth State Legislature
State Capitol, Room 409
Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

The Honorable Joseph M. Souki, Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives Twenty-Eighth State Legislature State Capitol, Room 431 Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Dear President Kouchi, Speaker Souki, and Members of the Legislature:

This is to inform you that on June 29, 2016, the following bill was signed into law:

HB1055 HD2 SD1

RELATED TO ELECTIONS ACT 167 (16)

Sincerely,

DAVID Y. IGE

Governor, State of Hawai'i

Approved by the Governor ORIGINAL JUN 29 2016

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TWENTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE, 2015 STATE OF HAWAII

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATED TO ELECTIONS.

| | BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII: |
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| 1 | SECTION 1. Section 303 of the Help America Vote Act of |
| 2 | 2002 requires applicants for voter registration for federal |
| 3 | office elections to provide a driver's license number, if one |
| 4 | has been issued, or if none has been issued, the last four |
| 5 | digits of the applicant's social security number. Section 303 |
| 6 | also includes a special rule for applicants without a driver's |
| 7 | license or social security number, which requires the State to |
| 8 | assign the applicant a number that will serve to identify the |
| 9 | applicant for voter registration purposes. |
| 10 | The legislature finds that Hawaii should conform state |
| 11 | election law for voter registration to the same requirements of |
| 12 | the federal office election law because the voting registration |
| 13 | law in Hawaii does not distinguish between voter registration |

12 13 14 for state and federal offices.

15 The purpose of this Act is to require the applicant's Hawaii driver's license number or Hawaii state identification 16 card number for purposes of identifying an applicant for voter 17 registration or, if no license or identification card has been 18 2016-1845 HB1055 SD1 SMA.doc

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| 7 | issued, the la | st four digits of the applicant's social security |
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| 2 | number; provid | ed that if the applicant does not have a social |
| 3 | security numbe | r, the State shall issue the applicant a unique |
| 4 | identification | number, which will serve to identify the |
| 5 | applicant for | voter registration purposes. |
| 6 | SECTION 2 | . Section 11-15, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is |
| 7 | amended by ame | nding subsection (a) to read as follows: |
| 8 | "(a) Any | person qualified to and desiring to register as a |
| 9 | voter in any c | ounty shall make and subscribe to an application |
| 10 | in the form of | an affidavit. |
| 11 | The affid | avit shall contain the following information: |
| 12 | (1) Name | ; |
| 13 | (2) [Sec . | ial security number; The applicant's Hawaii |
| 14 | drive | er's license number or Hawaii state identification |
| 15 | card | number; provided that: |
| 16 | (A) | If no driver's license or identification card has |
| 17 | | been issued to the applicant, the last four |
| 18 | | digits of the applicant's social security number; |
| 19 | | and |
| 20 | (B) | If no social security number has been issued to |
| 21 | | the applicant, an election official or county |

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| 1 | | clerk shall assign the applicant a unique |
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| 2 | | identification number for voter registration |
| 3 | | purposes and enroll the applicant in the State's |
| 4 | | computerized voter registration list, if any; |
| 5 | (3) Dat | e of birth; |
| 6 | (4) Res | idence, including mailing address; |
| 7 | (5) Tha | t the residence stated in the affidavit is not |
| 8 | sim | ply because of the person's presence in the State, |
| 9 | but | that the residence was acquired with the intent to |
| 10 | mak | e Hawaii the person's legal residence with all the |
| 11 | acc | companying obligations therein; and . |
| 12 | (6) Tha | t the person is a citizen. |
| 13 | An appli | cation to register to vote shall include a space to |
| 14 | request a per | manent absentee ballot." |
| 15 | SECTION | 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed |
| 16 | and stricken. | New statutory material is underscored. |
| 17 | SECTION | 4. This Act shall take effect on January 1, 2018. |

APPROVED this 2 9 day of JUN , 2016

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII