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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

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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 part II to be appropriately  
3       designated and to read as follows:

4       "§11-     Registration as a permanent absentee voter.   The  
5       submission of a voter registration application either to  
6       register to vote or to update a voter's registration information  
7       shall constitute a request for permanent absentee voter status  
8       under section 15-4, unless the applicant specifically indicates  
9       the applicant does not wish to be a permanent absentee voter."

10       SECTION 2. Section 11-15, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
11       amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

12       "(a) Any person qualified to and desiring to register as a  
13       voter in any county shall make and subscribe to an application  
14       in the form of an affidavit.

15       The affidavit shall contain the following information:

16       (1) Name;



(2) The applicant's Hawaii driver's license number or  
Hawaii state identification card number; provided  
that:

(A) If no driver's license or identification card has  
been issued to the applicant, the last four  
digits of the applicant's social security number;  
and

(B) If no social security number has been issued to  
the applicant, an election official or county  
clerk shall assign the applicant a unique  
identification number for voter registration  
purposes and enroll the applicant in the State's  
computerized voter registration list, if any;

(3) Date of birth;

(4) Residence, including mailing address;

(5) That the residence stated in the affidavit is not  
simply because of the ~~[person's]~~ applicant's presence  
in the State, but that the residence was acquired with  
the intent to make Hawaii the ~~[person's]~~ applicant's  
legal residence with all the accompanying obligations  
therein; and



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1 (6) That the ~~[person]~~ applicant is a citizen.

2 An application to register to vote shall include a space to  
3 ~~[request a]~~ decline permanent absentee ballot~~[-]~~ status."

4 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
5 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

6 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon approval.  
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INTRODUCED BY:











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**Report Title:**

Voter Registration; Permanent Absentee Voter Status

**Description:**

Provides that the submission of a voter registration application either to register to vote or update the voter's registration information constitutes a request for permanent absentee voter status unless the applicant specifically indicates the applicant does not wish to be a permanent absentee voter.

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