

GOV. MSG. NO. 1107

EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS KE KE'ENA O KE KIA'ĀINA

JOSH GREEN, M.D. GOVERNOR KE KIA'ĀINA

March 31, 2023

The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi President of the Senate, and Members of the Senate Thirty-Second State Legislature State Capitol, Room 409 Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813 √The Honorable Scott K. Saiki Speaker, and Members of the House of Representatives Thirty-Second State Legislature State Capitol, Room 431 Honolulu, Hawaiʻi 96813

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

This is to inform you that on March 31, 2023, the following bill was signed into law:

HB130 HD1

RELATING TO VALIDATION OF BALLOTS. **ACT 007**

Sincerely,

Josh Green, M.D. Governor, State of Hawai'i

ACT 007

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES THIRTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE, 2023 STATE OF HAWAII H.B. NO. 130 H.D. 1

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO VALIDATION OF BALLOTS.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 11-108, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 2 amended as follows:
- 3 1. By amending subsection (c) to read:
- 4 "(c) Any ballot the validity of which cannot be
- 5 established upon receipt shall be retained by the clerk and
- 6 shall not be commingled with ballots for which validity has been
- 7 established until the validity of the ballot in question can be
- 8 verified by the clerk. No ballot shall be included in an
- 9 initial tabulation until the clerk has determined its validity.
- 10 The clerk shall make reasonable efforts to determine the
- 11 validity of ballots within [seven] five business days following
- 12 an election day. No ballot shall be validated beyond the
- 13 [seventh] fifth business day following an election."
- 14 2. By amending subsection (e) to read:
- 15 "(e) No election result shall be certified pursuant to
- 16 section 11-155 unless all ballots verified as valid by the clerk
- 17 within [seven] five business days following an election day have



- 1 been added to the final tabulation. Recount of a final
- 2 tabulation shall be as provided by law."
- 3 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 4 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 5 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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APPROVED this 31st day of March, 2023

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GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

HB No. 130, HD 1

THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

Date: February 13, 2023

Honolulu, Hawaii

We hereby certify that the above-referenced Bill on this day passed Third Reading in the House of Representatives of the Thirty-Second Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2023.

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Scott K. Saiki Speaker House of Representatives

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Brian L. Takeshita Chief Clerk

House of Representatives

THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII

Date: MAR 2 0 2023 Honolulu, Hawaii

We hereby certify that the above-referenced Bill on this day passed Third Reading in the Senate of the Thirty-Second Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2023.

Ronald D. Kouchi President of the Senate

Carol T. Taniguchi Clerk of the Senate