A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO ELECTIONS.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 11-122, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 2 amended by amending subsection (c) to read as follows: 3 "(c) The office of elections shall prepare and mail with 4 each ballot for a primary election a notice to voters that a 5 digital voter information guide is available on the office of 6 elections website. The notice shall be sent by electronic mail 7 to all voters with special needs who have registered to receive 8 alternate format ballots. The office of elections shall print 9 and mail a physical copy of the digital voter information guide 10 to any voter upon request." 11 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general 12 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ 13 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2024-2025 for 14 the office of elections to print and mail a physical copy of the 15 digital voter information guide to any voter upon request. 16 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the office of

elections for the purposes of this Act.

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         SECTION 3. In accordance with section 9 of article VII of
    the Hawaii State Constitution and sections 37-91 and 37-93,
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    Hawaii Revised Statutes, the legislature has determined that the
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    appropriations contained in H.B. No. , will cause the state
    general fund expenditure ceiling for fiscal year 2024-2025 to be
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    exceeded by $
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    appropriation contained in this Act will cause the general fund
    expenditure ceiling for fiscal year 2024-2025 to be further
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    exceeded by $
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    amount of general fund appropriations contained in only these
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    two Acts will cause the state general fund expenditure ceiling
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    for fiscal year 2024-2025 to be exceeded by
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                        per cent. The reasons for exceeding the
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    general fund expenditure ceiling are that:
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         (1)
             The appropriation made in this Act is necessary to
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              serve the public interest; and
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         (2)
             The appropriation made in this Act meets the needs
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              addressed by this Act.
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         SECTION 4. New statutory material is underscored.
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         SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2024.
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Report Title:

Digital Voter Information Guide; Ballot; Office of Elections; Appropriation; Expenditure Ceiling

Description:

Requires the Office of Elections to print and mail a physical copy of the digital voter information guide to any voter upon request. Appropriates funds.

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