

## ACT 12

A Bill for an Act Relating to Canvass of Votes.

*Be it Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:*

SECTION 1. This Act is hereby declared to be an urgency measure deemed necessary in the public interest within the meaning of Section 11, of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Hawaii.

The following is a statement of facts constituting such urgency:

At present the election laws relating to voting machines, provide that after the canvass of votes on a voting machine, the lieutenant governor or the county clerk in the presence of any circuit court judge shall verify the statements of canvass.

For the 1964 presidential, congressional, state and county elections there will be a total of 138 voting machines in use in the State: 96 on Oahu and 42 in the neighbor islands. Ninety-six of these will be in use for the first time in 1964. The present requirement that the named officers themselves verify the statements of canvass may unduly hamper verification of canvass and delay the setting up of the machine, especially after the primary election.

SECTION 2. Section 11-194, Revised Laws of Hawaii 1955, as amended, is hereby further amended by adding the following to the last paragraph thereof:

“The lieutenant governor, clerk or circuit judge may, by written appointment, designate representatives to act for him for the purposes of this paragraph; provided that such appointees shall not be election inspectors or precinct election clerks.”

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

(Approved April 20, 1964.) **S.B. 24.**