

ACT 89

H.B. NO. 1011

A Bill for an Act Relating to Elections.

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

SECTION 1. Section 11-139, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

~~“(a) Any voter who requires assistance to vote [by reason of blindness, disability, or inability to read or write] may be given assistance by a person of the voter’s choice, other than the voter’s employer or agent of that employer or agent of the voter’s union, or the voter may receive the assistance of two precinct officials who are not of the same political party. [Before rendering assistance or permitting assistance to be rendered, the precinct officials shall be satisfied that the physical disability exists. If a] A voter [with a physical disability finds it unduly burdensome to enter the polling place, the voter] needing assistance may be handed a ballot outside the polling place but within one hundred feet thereof or within the polling place parking lot by the precinct officials and in their presence but in a secret manner, mark and return the same to the precinct officials.”~~

SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

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

(Approved May 31, 2002.)