

## ACT 104

H.B. NO. 2251

A Bill for an Act Relating to Elections.

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

SECTION 1. The purpose of this Act is to authorize the county clerk of any county with a population of less than one hundred eighty thousand to mail an absentee ballot for each primary, special primary, special, general, and special general election to all registered voters of any island of the county that is not the county seat of government.

SECTION 2. Section 15-4, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:

“(b) Notwithstanding subsection (a), the respective clerk shall be allowed to conduct an absentee ballot-only election and may mail an absentee ballot for each primary, special primary, special, general, and special general election to each registered voter who resides in the county of Kalawao[-] or on any island of a county with a population of less than one hundred eighty thousand, except for the island where the county seat of government is located. The chief election officer may adopt rules to carry out this subsection.”

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 Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed and stricken.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

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

(Approved June 5, 2012.)