80°
Scattered Clouds
Honolulu

FULL FORECAST

Search

Hawaii lawmakers push plans for voting by mail

Published: Tuesday, March 24th 2015, 1:55 pm HST
Updated: Tuesday, March 24th 2015, 1:56 pm HST

By CATHY BUSSEWITZ
Associated Press

HONOLULU (AP) - Voting by mail could become the norm in Hawaii under a proposal in the state Legislature.

The Senate Judiciary Committee approved a plan Tuesday that would phase in mailing absentee ballots to all voters.

The proposal aims to boost Hawaii's low voter turnout and increase voter participation.

It would start with smaller counties and gradually build up so that everyone gets ballots in the mail.

The way it works now people can sign up to vote by mail or they can vote in person during the two weeks before Election Day.

Advocates say mail-in voting could save money by reducing the number of polling stations needed.

The committee also changed another bill so that it would allow the elections commission to remove its chairman by a two-thirds vote.

Copyright 2015 The Associated Press. All rights reserved. This material may not be published, broadcast, rewritten or redistributed.

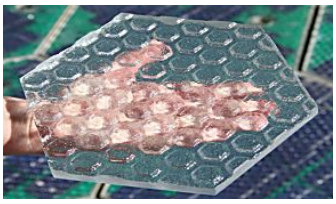
RECOMMENDED STORIES

Recommended by

Celebrity fitness trainer Jillian Michaels balances work, family, and a menagerie of pets in her new reality show

Tips for Buying an RV
Promoted By Allstate

Murder-suicide leaves 2 teenage girls dead



Power Companies Are Worried Homeowners Will Do This
Promoted By Comparisons.org

30 Uses For Olive Oil Most People Don't Know About
Promoted By Weekend Collective

Police say foul play involved after human remains discovered near Tantalus Drive

You Should Avoid These Airlines At All Costs
Promoted By Travel-Wise Weekly Travel Journal

Couple robbed, shot at during Craigslist scam

PROMOTED STORIES

11 Surprising Causes of Male Dysfunction *Health Central*

Donald Trump's Advice For Paying Off Mortgage (It's Genius!) *OneSmartPenny.com*

17 of the Best Wardrobe Malfunctions in Sports *CyberBreeze*

Before You Look into Your Credit Report, Take a Moment to Read This

WE RECOMMEND

Cops: Man sets up fake DUI checkpoint, gets charged with DUI

EU expands battle with Google with Android antitrust probe

Former Warrior QB Chang says new job 'feels like home'

Councilman wants anti-theft locks on all shopping carts

Woman kept body of sister in home for five months

First *TransUnion*

Worst Things to Buy at Costco and Sam's Club *Kiplinger*

Recommended by

IN THE NEWS

Can't Find Something? SEARCH FOR IT HERE SEARCH

KHNL
FCC Public File
KHNLpublicfile
@hawaiinewsnow.com
(808) 847-9383
EEO Report
Closed Captioning

KGMB
FCC Public File
KGMBpublicfile
@hawaiinewsnow.com
(808) 847-9383
EEO Report
Closed Captioning

HAWAII NEWS NOW

420 Waiakamilo Road, Suite 205
Honolulu, HI 96817
(808) 847-3246

NEWS WEATHER SPORTS VIDEO SUNRISE WHAT'S ON COMMUNITY MARKETPLACE ABOUT US

HAWAII NEWS NOW

All content © Copyright 2000 - 2016 Frankly Media and Raycom Media. All Rights Reserved. For more information on this site, please read our Privacy Policy, and Terms of Service, and Ad Choices.