



**A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE**

RELATING TO BALLOT MEASURES.

BE IT ORDAINED by the People of the City and County of Honolulu:

SECTION 1. The purpose of this ordinance is to regulate the use of city resources for ballot measures.

SECTION 2. Chapter 1, Revised Ordinances of Honolulu 1990 ("General Provisions"), is amended by adding a new article to be appropriately designated by the revisor of ordinances and to read as follows:

**"Article \_\_\_\_ . Ballot Measures**

**Sec. 1-\_\_.1 Definitions.**

For the purposes of this article, the terms defined in this section shall have the respective meanings hereinafter set forth:

"Ballot measure" means any ordinance proposed to be approved by initiative or any proposed amendment to the city charter submitted to the electorate for approval.

"City" means the City and County of Honolulu.

"City entity" means the city and any city agency therein, including, but not limited to, any executive agency, the city council and any agency of the legislative branch, and any semi-autonomous agency, including the Honolulu Board of Water Supply and the Honolulu Authority for Rapid Transportation.

"City funds" means any monies appropriated in the city's executive operating budget and executive capital budget, the Honolulu Board of Water Supply's operating budget and capital budget, the Honolulu Authority for Rapid Transportation's operating budget and capital budget, and the legislative budget, and monies appropriated in any amendments made to any of the above budgets.

**Sec. 1-\_\_.2 Use of resources.**

- (a) No city entity may use any city funds, supplies or equipment or provide any services for the purpose of urging the electorate to support or defeat any ballot measure.



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(b) Nothing in this section shall prohibit the use of any of the resources described in subsection (a) by the city clerk to provide brief summaries of ballot measures to the electorate to aid the electorate in reaching an informed judgment regarding any ballot measure."

SECTION 3. This ordinance shall take effect upon approval.

INTRODUCED BY:

*Ami Keliyoshi*

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DATE OF INTRODUCTION:

**MAR 29 2012**

Honolulu, Hawaii

Councilmembers

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY:

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Deputy Corporation Counsel

APPROVED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_\_\_.

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PETER B. CARLISLE, Mayor  
City and County of Honolulu

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**MAR 29 2014**  
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