

## VOTING DEADLINES IN HAWAI'I

### ELECTION DATES

Primary: Saturday, August 11, 2018

General: Tuesday, November 6, 2018

Polls are open from 7:00 am to 6:00 pm

Thursday, July 12

Last day to register to vote for the Primary Election with the Clerk's Office (HRS §11-24). Voters are eligible for late registration for the Primary Election at either an early walk-in voting location or an election day polling place (HRS §§11-15.2 & 15-7)

Monday, July 30 - Thursday, August 9

Open early walk-in voting locations and late registration for the Primary Election (HRS §15-7)

Saturday, August 4

Last day to request a mail ballot for the Primary Election from the Clerk's Office (HRS §15-4)

Tuesday, October 9

Last day to register to vote for the General Election with the Clerk's Office (HRS §11-24). Voters are eligible for late registration for the General Election at either an early walk-in voting location or an election day polling place (HRS §§11-15.2 & 15-7)

Tuesday, October 23 - November 3

Open early walk-in voting locations and late registration for the General Election (HRS §15-7)

### MORE INFORMATION:

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*"Providence has given to our people the choice of their rulers, and it is the duty, as well as the privilege and interest of our Christian nation, to select and prefer Christians for their rulers."*

[John Jay, The Correspondence and Public Papers of John Jay, Henry P. Johnston, ed. (New York: G.P. Putnam's Sons, 1890), Vol. IV, p. 365.]

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"Let each citizen remember at the moment he is offering his vote that he is not making a present or a compliment to please an individual - or at least that he ought not so to do; but that he is executing one of the most solemn trusts in human society for which he is accountable to God and his country."

[Samuel Adams, *The Writings of Samuel Adams*, Harry Alonzo Cushing, editor (New York: G.P. Putnam's Sons, 1907), Vol. IV, p. 256, in the *Boston Gazette* on April 16, 1781.]

**iVOTE HAWAII** is a local grassroots educational campaign that was established in Hawaii by the Hawaii Family Forum to accomplish four things:

- **Register** people in the State of Hawaii who are eligible to vote.
- **Educate** community members on important family issues and to provide resources and materials to help people make responsible choices in the ballot box. These educational resources are based on a Christian worldview.
- **Motivate** and encourage people who are registered to vote to cast their vote either by absentee voting or on election day.
- **Activate** people of faith in Hawaii by encouraging churches to conduct voter education and registration drives and providing resources and training to do so.

**iVOTE HAWAII** is never affiliated with any political party or candidate nor do we endorse or oppose any candidate for public office.



## HAWAII RANKS LAST

One of the most fundamental freedoms we have in Hawaii (and in America) is the opportunity and privilege to cast a vote. Hawaii is consistently on the bottom of the list of voting states.

In 2016, only 58.4% of Hawaii's registered voters showed up in the general election. That number was only slightly higher than the 2014 count of 52.3%. Keep in mind that registered voters do not represent ALL eligible voters. Many people in Hawai'i choose not to vote.



In 2012, Hawaii was listed as the state with the lowest turnout in the nation with only 42.3% voter turnout in the Primary Election. 61.9% showed up to vote in the General Election. Some sources report that only 58.9% of eligible

voters are registered to vote.<sup>1</sup>

CNN ran a story<sup>2</sup> on October 24, 2012 entitled "Hawaii: The state that doesn't vote."

Are you one of the silent majority of eligible voters who does not exercise your privilege to vote?

<sup>1</sup> <http://www.bizjournals.com/pacific/news/2013/11/04/nerdwallet-half-of-hawaii-voters.html>

<sup>2</sup> <http://www.cnn.com/2012/10/21/opinion/change-the-list-voter-turnout-hawaii/index.html>

## FIRST THINGS FIRST

Please register to vote. After you are registered, make sure you that you take the time to educate yourself about each candidate before you cast your vote.

Sadly, especially here in Hawaii, many believers choose candidates whose positions are at odds with their own beliefs, convictions, and values.

Remember, your vote is perpetual. When you vote for a candidate and he/she is elected, they will vote for issues that are important to you. Will their vote(s) on important issues reflect your values?

## THINGS TO CONSIDER

As people of faith, there are many issues that should play a major role in the decision we make in the voting booth. Does the candidate value human life, protection of the natural family and religious freedom? Where do they stand on the economy, immigration and education?

