

**From:** [Hawaii Republican Party](#)  
**To:** [OE.Elections.Commission](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Re: Elections Commission Meeting - December 18, 2024  
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Please add the following for testimony regarding Item 4

Under Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS) §11-4, the Chief Election Officer has the authority to "make, amend, and repeal rules governing elections," including the "selection, establishment, use, and operation of all voting systems now in use or to be adopted in the State."

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This provision grants the Chief Election Officer the discretion to implement changes to the voting process, such as introducing or modifying in-person paper ballot voting systems, provided that such changes comply with state laws and ensure the secrecy and integrity of the ballot.

It's important to note that Hawaii transitioned to a vote-by-mail system for all elections starting in 2020, as established by Act 136, Session Laws of Hawaii 2019.

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While the Chief Election Officer has the authority to make adjustments to voting procedures, any significant changes, such as reverting to in-person paper ballots as the primary voting method, would likely require legislative action to amend existing laws that mandate voting by mail.

Therefore, while the Office of Elections, through the Chief Election Officer, has broad authority to manage and adjust voting systems, substantial changes to the established voting process would typically involve both administrative rule-making and legislative approval to ensure compliance with state statutes and to maintain the integrity and accessibility of elections in Hawaii.

General statement:

It is truly shameful to witness a blatant resistance to transparency and accountability in this forum. The people of Hawaii deserve better than a process shrouded in ambiguity and neglect. Let it be known that you are being watched, challenged, and held accountable for your actions—or lack thereof.

Mr. Curtis, I must address you directly. In a recent meeting with Mike Lindell, an opportunity presented itself for you to voice the concerns of Hawaii's citizens. Instead, you refused to speak up. Even Mr. Lindell shared his apprehensions about your apparent lack of commitment to representing the people authentically, raising concerns about ulterior motives driving your agenda. This behavior is not only unacceptable; it is a betrayal of public trust.

The Hawaii Republican Party stands resolutely with the people in demanding transparency and fairness in our elections. We challenge the current processes—or the lack thereof—on several fronts, including your failure to listen to the voices of Hawaii's citizens. We stand firm in our call for a fair election system that prioritizes in-person voting and ensures consistency across the state.

Our repeated requests for a copy of the chain of custody have been ignored, further fueling our suspicions of mismanagement or worse. To that end, we have engaged the Dhillon Law Firm and will continue to pursue all legal avenues to demand accountability, transparency, and adherence to the laws. It is not only our right but our responsibility to ensure that the voices of the people of Hawaii are heard and respected.

Let me make this clear: if this disregard continues, we will not hesitate to share these matters nationally, exposing the behavior and lack of transparency that undermines the integrity of our electoral process. Taxpayers are not just funding these operations—they are demanding that those in power act in the best interest of the people of this state.

This is a call to action for representatives, whether appointed or elected, to start embodying the integrity required of their roles. Serve the people of Hawaii with fairness, transparency, and a true commitment to democracy.

We will continue to demand action, documentation, and accountability. The Hawaii Republican Party is prepared to ensure that the voices of Hawaii's citizens are not just heard but respected, through every legal and public channel available.

It's time for real leadership—leadership that prioritizes the best interests of the people. Nothing less will suffice.

Mahalo

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Aloha,

Attached please find the agenda for the next Elections Commission meeting on **December 18, 2024**. It has also been:

- Posted to the [State Calendar](#)
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Mahalo,

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