

HAWAII DISABILITY RIGHTS CENTER

a private non-profit public interest corporation, protects and promotes the human, civil and legal rights of people with disabilities through the provision of information and advocacy.

HDRC is Hawaii's

PROTECTION AND ADVOCACY SYSTEM for People with Disabilities



and

CLIENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM



as authorized in federal and state law and designated by Executive Order.

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HAWAII DISABILITY RIGHTS CENTER PROMOTES ACCESSIBLE COMMUNITIES and VOTER ACCESS

The Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) mandates accessible communities for people with disabilities.

Title II establishes requirements for state and local governments to make their programs, services and transportation services accessible to and usable by people with disabilities.

Title III establishes requirements for 12 categories of public accommodations (private entities that serve the public) to make their goods and services accessible to people with disabilities. The categories are:

- Hotels, places providing lodging
- Restaurants and bars
- · Places of entertainment, such as theaters
- Places of public gathering (convention centers)
- · Retail or wholesale sales or rentals
- Services establishments (banks, dry cleaners, etc.)
- Terminals for public transportation
- Places of public display or collection (libraries, museums)
- Places of recreation (parks, zoo)
- Places of education
- Social services establishments (food bank, day care)
- Places of exercise or recreation (golf, gym, bowling)

Protection and Advocacy for Voter Access:

The Hawaii Disability Rights Center participates in Help American Vote Act (HAVA). HAVA was written into law in 2002 and authorizes payments and grants to all states to improve the election process. Our specific program is called the Protection and Advocacy for Voter Access (PAVA).

As a person with a disability, you should:

- Have access to the polling site within your precinct; including path of travel, entrances, exits and voting areas;
- Be provided with information about the accessibility of polling places and the use of new voting technology;
- Be able to bring someone with you to assist in casting a vote. This person can be anyone except an employer, agent, or union representative.

If you come across:

- An inaccessible polling place;
- Lack of an election voting machine;
- Any other accessibility issue.

Call Hawaii Disability Rights Center at 1-800-882-1057 to report your experience and and/or make a complaint.

For More Information or Assistance or to obtain this brochure in an alternate format,

Please call, visit, write or e-mail the Hawaii Disability Rights Center