## **ABSTRACT**

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According to the Thai Constitution B.E. 2540 (1997):

A Case Study of Prachinburi Province

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The objective of this research gives a special study to the people understanding though analysis in differences of economic and social conditions. In the relation with comprehension of people to representative election according to Thai Constitution B.E. 2540 (1997).

The sampling of this research will test the specimen people in the third election areas of Prachin Buri Province in which there are 142,036 people but this research will be proceeded to accidental sampling by surveying from 100 out of whole people of each district. In addition, it will use some questionnaires as the tool for collecting data, and then bring that data to be analyzed by statistics, percentage, and chi-square.

The results of this research conclude as follows:

- 1. The knowledge of people in Prachin Buri Province to representative election according to Thai Constitution B.E. 2540 (1997) is termediate.
- 2. People who are different in economic and social conditions in various areas such as age, education participation in activities and being diverse local politicians have the average in various understandings to representative election according to Thai Constitution B.E. 2540 (1997). Except People who are different in sex, income, and receiving information from disseminating democracy of election committee of Thai Constitution, There are that average in indifferent ones.