HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE, 2010 STATE OF HAWAII

H.B. NO. 2674

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HISTORIC PRESERVATION.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 Section 6E-43.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is SECTION 1. amended by amending subsections (b) and (c) to read as follows: 2 3 "(b) Appointment of members to the councils shall be made by the governor, in accordance with section 26-34, from a list 4 provided by the department, provided that a minimum of twenty 5 per cent of the regional representatives shall be appointed from 6 7 a list of at least nine candidates provided by the office of 8 Hawaiian affairs. The department shall develop the list in 9 consultation with appropriate Hawaiian organizations, such as Hui Malama I Na Kupuna O Hawai'i Nei. The membership of each 10 11 council shall include at least one representative from each geographic region of the island [as well as representatives of 12 development and large property owner interests]. Regional 13 representatives shall be selected from the Hawaiian community on 14 the basis of their understanding of the culture, history, burial 15 beliefs, customs, and practices of native Hawaiians. Regional 16 representatives shall be a member or descendant of the 17 18 indigenous Polynesian people who lived in the Hawaiian Islands HB LRB 10-1163.doc

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prior to 1778. The councils shall have a minimum of nine and a maximum of fifteen members[7-and have a ratio of not more-than three to one and no less than two to one in favor-of-regional representatives].

5 The department, in consultation with the councils, (C) 6 office of Hawaiian affairs, [representatives of development and 7 large property owner interests, ] and appropriate Hawaiian 8 organizations, such as Hui Malama I Na Kupuna O Hawai'i Nei, 9 shall adopt rules pursuant to chapter 91 necessary to carry out 10 the purposes of this section. The council members shall serve 11 without compensation, but shall be reimbursed for necessary 12 expenses incurred during the performance of their duties. The councils shall be a part of the department for administrative 13 14 purposes."

15 SECTION 2. This Act shall not apply to appointments made 16 before its effective date.

17 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed18 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

19 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Report Title: Island Burial Councils; Members

Description:

Removes the requirement of representation by large development and property owners on burial councils. Requires regional representatives to be members or descendants of indigenous Polynesians.

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