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S.B. NO. 2076

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE COMMISSION ON FATHERHOOD.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature established the state
2 commission on fatherhood in 2003 in recognition of the important
3 and unique role fathers play in the lives of their children,
4 families, and communities. Act 156, Session Laws of Hawaii
5 2003, as amended by Act 148, Session Laws of Hawaii 2005, and
6 Act 232, Session Laws of Hawaii 2006, as amended by Act 190,
7 Session Laws of Hawaii 2007, directs the commission to serve in
8 an advisory capacity to state agencies to promote healthy family
9 relationships between parents and children. In recognition of
10 the commission's value and the need to continue to promote and
11 support healthy families in Hawaii, the legislature established
12 the commission as a permanent entity within the State in 2007.

13 The legislature finds that the term of office of the
14 members of the commission on fatherhood should be extended from
15 two years to four years in order to provide for institutional
16 knowledge and continuity.



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1 SECTION 2. Section 577E-3, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by amending subsection (c) to read as follows:

3 "(c) All members shall serve for a term of [~~two~~] four
4 years. Any vacancies occurring in the membership of the
5 commission shall be filled for the remainder of the unexpired
6 term in the same manner as the original appointments. No member
7 shall serve on the commission for more than two terms; provided
8 that if a member fills a vacancy and serves for the remainder of
9 an unexpired term that member shall be considered to have served
10 one term."

11 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
12 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

13 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.
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Report Title:

Commission on Fatherhood; Terms

Description:

Increases the terms of members of the commission on fatherhood from two to four years.

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