S.B. NO. <sup>492</sup> S.D. 1 Proposed

## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO WATER.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 174C-7, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 2 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows: 3 "(b) Five members shall be appointed by the governor 4 subject to confirmation by the senate, in a manner prescribed in 5 subsection (d). One member shall be appointed from each of the 6 counties and the remainder shall be appointed at large. Each 7 member shall have substantial experience in the area of water 8 resource management; provided that at least one member shall 9 have substantial experience or expertise in traditional Hawaiian 10 water resource management techniques and in traditional Hawaiian 11 riparian usage such as those preserved by section 174C-101[-;]; 12 provided further that at least one member shall be a person who 13 owns or is primarily employed by a farming operation, as defined 14 in section 165-2. The chairperson of the board of land and 15 natural resources shall be the chairperson of the commission. 16 The director of health shall serve as an ex officio voting 17 member."

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1	SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
2	and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
3	SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.
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Report Title:

Commission on Water Resource Management

## Description:

Requires that the commission on water resource management include one member from each county and that at least one member be a farmer. (SD1)

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