A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE STATE 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, as 6 amended by Act 232, Session Laws of Hawaii 2006, and as amended by Act 190, Session Laws of Hawaii 2007, directs the commission 7 8 to serve in an advisory capacity to state agencies to promote 9 healthy family relationships between parents and children. Τn 10 recognition of the commission's value and the need to continue 11 to promote and support healthy families in Hawaii, the 12 legislature established the commission as a permanent entity in 13 2007.

14 The legislature finds that the term of office of the 15 members of the state commission on fatherhood should be extended 16 from two years to four years to provide for institutional 17 knowledge and continuity.



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] <u>four</u>
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
10	served one term."
11	SECTION 3. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary,
12	including section 26-34, Hawaii Revised Statutes, the term of
13	any person currently serving as a member of the state commission
14	on fatherhood on the day prior to the effective date of this Act
15	shall be deemed to be one term with respect to the two-term
16	limitation in subsection 577E-3(c), Hawaii Revised Statutes.
17	SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
18	and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
19	SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect upon approval.
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Report Title:

State Commission on Fatherhood; Terms

Description:

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Increases the length of terms of members of the State Commission on Fatherhood from two to four years with a two-term limit.

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