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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO VACANCIES.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 17-7, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is

2 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:

3 "(b) In the case of a vacancy, the term of which does not

4 end at the next succeeding special election held in conjunction

5 with the general election:

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(1) If it occurs not later than on the [sixtieth] seventy-

<u>fifth</u> day prior to the next succeeding special

election held in conjunction with the general

election, the vacancy shall be filled for the

10 unexpired term at the next succeeding special election

held in conjunction with the general election. The

chief election officer shall issue a proclamation

designating the election for filling the vacancy. All

14 candidates for the unexpired term shall file

nomination papers not later than 4:30 p.m. on the

16 [fiftieth] sixtieth day prior to the special election

17 (but if such day is a Saturday, Sunday, or holiday

then not later than 4:30 p.m. on the first working day



1		immediately preceding) and shall be elected in
2		accordance with this title. Pending the election, the
3		board or the governor shall make a temporary
4		appointment to fill the vacancy in the manner
5		prescribed under subsection (a). When island
6		residency is required under section 13D-1, the person
7		so appointed shall reside on the island from which the
8		vacancy occurred, and shall serve for the duration of
9		the unexpired term and shall serve until the election
10		of the person duly elected to fill such vacancy.
11	(2)	If it occurs after the [sixtieth] seventy-fifth day
12		prior to the next succeeding special election held in
13		conjunction with the general election, the board or
14		the governor shall make an appointment to fill the
15		vacancy in the manner prescribed under subsection (a).
16		When island residency is required under section 13D-1,
17		the person so appointed shall reside on the island
18		from which the vacancy occurred, and shall serve for
19		the duration of the unexpired term."
20	SECT	ION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
21	and stric	ken. New statutory material is underscored.

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Report Title:

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Description:

Amends the deadline to file nomination papers associated with filling a vacancy in the membership of the board of trustees of OHA, to ensure compliance with provisions of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2010, P.L. 111-84, mandating the mailing of absentee ballots to uniformed and overseas voters no later than forty-five days prior to an election.

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