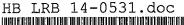
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE NATURAL ENERGY LABORATORY OF HAWAII AUTHORITY.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Hawaii law generally limits members of boards
- 2 and commissions to two four-year terms, with membership not to
- 3 exceed eight consecutive years. These limits help provide
- 4 boards and commissions with fresh energy, ideas, and expertise
- 5 through the periodic addition of new members. However, there
- 6 are no service limits for members of the natural energy
- 7 laboratory of Hawaii authority's research advisory committee,
- 8 which effectively allows certain members to serve indefinitely.
- 9 The purpose of this Act is to make the terms of the members
- 10 of the research advisory committee consistent with other boards
- 11 and commissions by limiting membership to two four-year terms
- 12 and eight consecutive years.
- 13 SECTION 2. Section 227D-4, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 14 amended to read as follows:
- "[+] \$227D-4[+] Research advisory committee. The authority
- 16 shall appoint a research advisory committee for the purpose of
- 17 obtaining expert and specialized counsel and advice on matters
- 18 relating to scientific research and may include as members of



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- ${f 1}$ the committee officers and employees of any government
- 2 department or agency or members of the scientific community;
- 3 provided that [at]:
- 4 (1) At least two members of the board shall be appointed
- 5 to the committee [-];
- 6 (2) The terms of the committee members shall be for four
- 7 years;
- 8 (3) No person shall be appointed consecutively to more
- 9 than two terms; and
- 10 (4) Membership on the committee shall not exceed eight
- consecutive years.
- 12 Members of the advisory committee shall elect the chairperson
- 13 and secretary of the committee, who shall serve as members of
- 14 the board. The authority may assign its own staff to aid and
- 15 assist the committee and may reimburse any member of the
- 16 committee for necessary expenses incurred in the performance of
- 17 the member's work for the authority."
- 18 SECTION 3. Upon the effective date of this Act and
- 19 notwithstanding section 26-34(a), Hawaii Revised Statutes, and
- 20 any other law to the contrary, the term of any member of the
- 21 research advisory committee who has served more than eight
- 22 consecutive years shall expire; provided that the member may



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- 1 continue to serve in a holdover capacity pursuant to section 26-
- 2 34(b), Hawaii Revised Statutes, until the member's successor is
- 3 appointed.
- 4 SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 5 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 6. SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2014.

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Report Title:

NELHA; Research Advisory Committee; Terms; Limits

Description:

Limits the terms of NELHA's research advisory committee to two four-year terms and eight consecutive years. Effective 07/01/2014.

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