A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO GENDER EQUITY.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Chapter 26, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended
- 2 by adding a new section to part II to be appropriately
- 3 designated and to read as follows:
- 4 "\$26- Members of boards and commissions; gender equity.
- 5 The governor or relevant appointing authority, as far as
- 6 practicable, shall strive for the goal of equal gender
- 7 representation when appointing members to boards and
- 8 commissions, and give priority to achieving the goal of gender
- 9 equity when appointing members to vacancies, at-large positions,
- 10 and as alternates."
- 11 SECTION 2. New statutory material is underscored.
- 12 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Report Title:

Boards and Commissions Membership; Gender Equity

Description:

Requires that the governor or appointing authority strive for gender equity when appointing members of state boards and commissions, and give priority to achieving the goal of gender equity when appointing members to vacancies, at-large positions, and alternates.

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