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A BILL FOR AN ACT

PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO THE HAWAII CONSTITUTION TO DIVEST
EXCLUSIVE JURISDICTION OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE
UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII OVER THE INTERNAL STRUCTURE,
MANAGEMENT, AND OPERATION OF THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII.

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

1 SECTION 1. The purpose of this Act is to propose an
2 amendment to article X, section 6 of the Constitution of the
3 State of Hawaii to divest exclusive jurisdiction of the board of
4 regents of the University of Hawaii over the internal structure,
5 management, and operation of the University of Hawaii.

6 SECTION 2. Article X, section 6, of the Constitution of
7 the State of Hawaii is amended to read as follows:

8 **"BOARD OF REGENTS; POWERS**

9 **Section 6.** There shall be a board of regents of the
10 University of Hawaii, the members of which shall be nominated
11 and, by and with the advice and consent of the senate, appointed
12 by the governor from pools of qualified candidates presented to
13 the governor by the candidate advisory council for the board of
14 regents of the University of Hawaii, as provided by law. At
15 least part of the membership of the board shall represent



1 geographic subdivisions of the State. The board shall have the
2 power, as provided by law, to formulate policy, and to exercise
3 control over the university through its executive officer, the
4 president of the university, who shall be appointed by the
5 board. ~~[The board shall also have exclusive jurisdiction over~~
6 ~~the internal structure, management, and operation of the~~
7 ~~university.]~~ This section shall not limit the power of the
8 legislature to enact laws of statewide concern. ~~[The~~
9 ~~legislature shall have the exclusive jurisdiction to identify~~
10 ~~laws of statewide concern.]~~ "

11 SECTION 3. The question to be printed on the ballot shall
12 be as follows:

13 "Shall the board of regents of the University of Hawaii be
14 divested of exclusive jurisdiction over the internal
15 structure, management, and operation of the University of
16 Hawaii?"

17 SECTION 4. Constitutional material to be repealed is
18 bracketed and stricken. New constitutional material is
19 underscored.



1 SECTION 5. This amendment shall take effect upon
2 compliance with article XVII, section 3, of the Constitution of
3 the State of Hawaii.

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Report Title:

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Description:

Proposes a constitutional amendment to divest the board of regents of UH from exclusive jurisdiction over internal structure, management, and operations of UH.

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