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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE BOARD OF REGENTS.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 26-11, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 2 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:
- 3 "(a) The University of Hawaii shall be headed by an
- 4 executive board to be known as the board of regents.
- 5 The board shall consist of fifteen members. At least [one
- 6 member] two members shall be [a] University of Hawaii [student]
- 7 students at the time of the initial appointment. [This-member]
- 8 These members may be reappointed for one additional term even
- 9 though the [member] members may no longer be [a student]
- 10 students at the time of reappointment. The governor shall
- 11 reduce the terms of those initially appointed to each seat on
- 12 the board of regents to provide, as far as practicable, for the
- 13 expiration of three terms each year; provided that the [term]
- 14 terms of the student [member] members shall not be reduced.
- At least twelve members, except for the student [member,]
- 16 members, shall represent and reside in the specified geographic
- 17 areas as follows:



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Two members from the county of Maui; 2 (2) 3 (3) One member from the county of Kauai; and Seven members from the city and county of Honolulu. 4 (4)5 The board shall have the power, in accordance with the Hawaii [constitution] State Constitution and with law, to 6 7 formulate policy and to exercise control over the university through its executive officer, the president of the university. 8 9 The board shall have exclusive jurisdiction over the internal 10 organization and management of the university." Section 304A-104, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is 11 SECTION 2. amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows: 12 13 "(a) The affairs of the university shall be under the 14 general management and control of the board of regents. board shall consist of fifteen members who shall be appointed by 15 16 the governor from lists of qualified candidates presented to the 17 governor by the candidate advisory council, pursuant to section 304A-104.6, and shall be confirmed by the senate; provided that 18 19 if the list of qualified candidates includes fewer than three 20 candidates at any time during the nomination and confirmation

process, the governor may request that the candidate advisory

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council reopen recruitment for qualified candidates. Members 1 may be removed by the governor. Except as otherwise provided by 2 law, state officers shall be eligible for appointment and 3 4 membership. The term of each member shall be five years, except as 5 provided for the initial appointment in section 26-11; provided 6 that the [term] terms of the student [member] members shall be 7 two years. Every member may serve beyond the expiration date of 8 the member's term of appointment until the member's successor 9 has been appointed by the governor and confirmed by the senate 10 in accordance with article X, section 6 of the Hawaii State 11 Constitution. Members shall serve no more than two consecutive 12 five-year terms; provided that the members who are initially 13 appointed to terms of two years or less pursuant to section 14 26-11(a) may be reappointed to two ensuing five-year terms. 15 a member is to be appointed to a second term of five years, the 16 senate shall consider the question of whether to reconfirm the 17 member at least one hundred twenty days prior to the conclusion 18 of a member's first five-year term; provided that if the senate 19 is not in session within one hundred twenty days prior to the 20

conclusion of the member's first five-year term, the member

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- 1 shall continue to serve until the senate convenes for the next
- 2 regular session or the next special session for which the senate
- 3 is authorized to consider the question of reconfirmation."
- 4 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 5 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 6 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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Report Title:

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Description:

Requires that at least two members on the board of regents be current students of the University of Hawaii at the time of initial appointment.

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