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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

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RELATING TO GOVERNMENT OPERATION AND POLICY.

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

SECTION 1. Section 26-34, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

**"§26-34 Selection, training, and terms of members of boards and commissions.** (a) The members of each board and commission established by law shall be nominated and, by and with the advice and consent of the senate, appointed by the governor. Unless otherwise provided by this chapter or by law hereafter enacted, the terms of the members shall be for four years; provided that the governor may reduce the terms of those initially appointed so as to provide, as nearly as can be, for the expiration of an equal number of terms at intervals of one year for each board and commission. Unless otherwise provided by law, each term shall commence on July 1 and expire on June 30, except that the terms of the chairpersons of the board of agriculture, the board of land and natural resources, and the Hawaiian homes commission shall commence on January 1 and expire on December 31. No person shall be appointed consecutively to



1 more than two terms as a member of the same board or commission;  
2 provided that membership on any board or commission shall not  
3 exceed eight consecutive years.

4 (b) Upon appointment, each new member shall participate in  
5 an orientation and training session with the head of the  
6 department or agency that administratively controls or  
7 supervises the member's board or commission, or the designee of  
8 the head of the department or agency, regarding the mission,  
9 roles, responsibilities, laws, programs, and procedures relevant  
10 to the work of the board or commission.

11 (c) At least once per calendar year, all departments and  
12 its agencies with boards and commissions subject to  
13 section 84-17, shall update their members on information to  
14 supplement their initial training.

15 ~~[(b)]~~ (d) Any member of a board or commission whose term  
16 has expired and who is not disqualified for membership under  
17 subsection (a) may continue in office as a holdover member until  
18 a successor is nominated and appointed; provided that a holdover  
19 member shall not hold office beyond the end of the second  
20 regular legislative session following the expiration of the  
21 member's term of office.



1       ~~[(e)]~~ (e) A vacancy occurring in the membership of any  
2 board or commission during a term shall be filled for the  
3 unexpired term thereof, subject to Article V, section 6 of the  
4 Constitution of the State.

5       ~~[(d)]~~ (f) The governor may remove or suspend for cause any  
6 member of any board or commission after due notice and public  
7 hearing.

8       ~~[(e)]~~ (g) Except as otherwise provided by this chapter,  
9 this section shall apply to every board and commission  
10 established by part I, or existing or established after  
11 November 25, 1959. All new appointments to any board or  
12 commission shall thereafter be made in accordance with this  
13 section.

14       ~~[(f)]~~ (h) This section shall not apply to ex officio  
15 members of boards and commissions or to the board of trustees of  
16 the employees retirement system."

17       SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
18 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

19       SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2112.



**Report Title:**

Departments; Boards; Commissions; Members; Training

**Description:**

Requires each new member of a board or commission to participate in an orientation and training session with the head of the department with jurisdiction of that member's board or commission or their designee. Requires each department and agency to train their members at least once per calendar year. Effective 7/1/2112. (HD2)

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