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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO PUBLIC MEETINGS.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that public meetings
2 should be conducted at times that are accessible to the general
3 public. The legislature further finds that public meetings
4 conducted after 9:00 p.m. disadvantage those with work, school,
5 or caregiving obligations the following day.

6 Accordingly, the purpose of this Act is to prohibit boards
7 from beginning or continuing meetings after 9:00 p.m., excluding
8 county council meetings.

9 SECTION 2. Chapter 92, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended
10 by adding a new section to be appropriately designated and to
11 read as follows:

12 "§92- Meeting times; limitations. No board shall begin
13 or continue a meeting after 9:00 p.m.; provided that this
14 section shall not apply to county council meetings."

15 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.

16 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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S.B. NO. 1617

Report Title:

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