SB-300

Submitted on: 1/26/2025 11:39:46 AM

Testimony for GVO on 1/28/2025 3:00:00 PM

Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
lynne matusow	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

I have no issue with creating a fallback if the governor does not make an appointment within a set time period, but I do object to changing the time periods that currently exist in law. I fear doing that will leave those living in the district with no representation for too long. I worked to get the original bill passed. It was introduced in the last 80s or early 90s, when then Governor Waihee did not fill a vacancy for a long period because the legislature was not in session. As you all know, you work for your constituents all year, whether in session or not.

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Submitted on: 1/25/2025 12:58:19 PM

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Jacob Wiencek	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Aloha Committee Members,

I understand and sympathize with the problem this bill is trying to solve. Recently, our Governor refused to responsibly exercise his powers to fill crucial legislative vacancies. However, this is the wrong solution. Empowering legislative leadership to make such crucial decisions strikes me as inappropriate. Perhaps the Committee can consider other solutions such as special elections for legislative vacancies.

I strongly urge the Committee to REJECT this proposed bill.

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Submitted on: 1/26/2025 5:12:50 PM

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Brett Kulbis	Individual	Oppose	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

Chair McKelvey and Committee Members,

My name is Brett Kulbis, I'm a 26yr Navy Veteran and Retired Civil Servant. I live in Ewa Beach.

I **OPPOSE** SB-300.

This bill is a solution looking for a problem that doesn't exist. To the best of my research, there has never been an instance where a Governor did not fill a legislative vacancy within 60 days as required by HRS §17-3 and 4.

I adamantly disagree with the House or Senate leadership having this authority if the Governor doesn't act within the 60 days allocated in HRS §17-3 and 4.

Respectfully, I **STRONGLY** encourage you to vote **NO** on SB-300.



<u>SB-300</u> Submitted on: 1/28/2025 10:56:28 AM

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Submitted By	Organization	Testifier Position	Testify
Michael Honda	Individual	Support	Written Testimony Only

Comments:

In strong support. Thank you Chair Mckelvey for hearing this bill-aloha!