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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO NEIGHBORHOOD BOARDS.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 92-81, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by amending subsection (d) to read as follows:
3 " (d) A quorum for a meeting of a neighborhood board or
4 community outreach board shall be required for:
5 (1) Conducting official board business;
6 (2) Discussions before and related to voting; and
7 (3) Voting required to validate an act of the board as
8 part of official board business[-];
9 provided that if a neighborhood board overseen by a neighborhood
10 commission of the city and county of Honolulu has a vacancy,
11 notwithstanding section 92-15, only a majority of all seats on
12 the neighborhood board that are filled shall constitute a quorum
13 to conduct official board business and discussion before and
14 related to voting and the concurrence of a majority of all
15 members present at a meeting at which quorum is established
16 shall be necessary to make any act of the board as part of
17 official board business valid.



1 A neighborhood board or community outreach board may
2 receive information or testimony on a matter of official board
3 business without a quorum; provided that the board shall not
4 make a decision on the issue. The board members, at the next
5 meeting of the board, shall report the matters presented as
6 information or testimony."

7 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
8 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

9 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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S.B. NO. 2397

Report Title:

Neighborhood Boards; Vacancies; Quorum Requirements

Description:

Establishes that when a neighborhood board of the City and County of Honolulu has a vacancy, a majority of all seats that are filled shall constitute quorum to conduct business and a majority vote of the members present at the board's meeting hall validate an act of the board as part of its official business.

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