
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 92-15, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended to read as follows:

3 **"[t]S92-15[] Boards and commissions; quorum; number of**
4 **votes necessary to validate acts.** Whenever the number of
5 members necessary to constitute a quorum to do business, or the
6 number of members necessary to validate any act, of any board or
7 commission of the State or of any political subdivision thereof,
8 is not specified in the law or ordinance creating the same or in
9 any other law or ordinance, a majority of all the current voting
10 members [to which] of the board or commission [is entitled]
11 shall constitute a quorum to do business, and the concurrence of
12 a majority of [all] the members voting at a meeting for which a
13 quorum is present [to which the board or commission is entitled]
14 shall be necessary to make any action of the board or commission
15 valid; provided that due notice shall have been given to all
16 members of the board or commission or a bona fide attempt shall
17 have been made to give the notice to all members to whom it was



1 reasonably practicable to give the notice. This section shall
2 not invalidate any act of any board or commission performed
3 prior to April 20, 1937, which, under the general law then in
4 effect, would otherwise be valid."

5 SECTION 2. This Act does not affect rights and duties that
6 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were
7 begun before its effective date.

8 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
9 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

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

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H.B. NO. 1529

Report Title:

Public Agency Meetings and Records; Boards and Commissions; Quorum; Number of Votes Necessary to Validate Acts

Description:

Reduces the quorum requirement for boards and commissions to a majority of current voting members of a board or commission. Reduces the number of affirmative votes needed to validate action of a board or commission to a majority of members voting at a meeting with quorum.

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