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S.B. NO. 1765-84

A Bill for an Act Relating to the Board of Regents.

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 and terms of members of boards and commissions. 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 such 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[]; and provided further that the terms of two of the members of the board of regents of the University of Hawaii shall be for two years. Each term shall commence on January 1 and expire on December 31. After November 25, 1959, no]. No person shall be appointed consecutively to more than two terms as a member of the same board or commission; provided[,] that membership on any board or commission shall not exceed eight consecutive years.

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A vacancy occurring in the membership of any board or commission during a term shall be filled for the unexpired term thereof, subject to article [IV] V, section 6 of the Constitution of the State.

The governor may remove or suspend for cause any member of any board or commission after due notice and public hearing.

Except as otherwise provided by this chapter, this section shall apply to every board and commission established by part I, or existing or established after November 25, 1959. [The term of each member of any board or commission existing on November 25, 1959, shall terminate on December 31, 1959.] All new appointments to such board or commission shall thereafter be made in accordance with this section.

This section shall not apply to ex officio members of boards and commissions or to the board of trustees of the employees retirement system."

SECTION 2. Section 304-3, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

"§304-3 Regents; appointment; tenure; qualifications; meetings. The affairs of the university shall be under the general management and control of the board of regents consisting of eleven members who shall be appointed and may be removed by the governor. After the effective date of this Act, the term of each member shall be for four years. Except as otherwise provided by statute, state officers shall be eligible to appointment and membership. Every member may serve beyond the expiration date of his term of appointment until his successor has been appointed and has qualified. The board shall at its first meeting after June 30, elect a chairman and vice-chairman, who shall serve until adjournment of its first meeting after June 30 of the next year or thereafter until their successors are appointed and have qualified and whose election shall be immediately certified by the board to the lieutenant governor. The board shall appoint a secretary, who shall not be a member of the board. The president of the university shall act as executive officer of the board. The board shall meet not less often than ten times annually, and may from time to time meet in each of the counties of Hawaii, Maui, and Kauai.

The members of the board shall serve without pay but shall be entitled to their traveling expenses within the State when attending meetings of the board or when actually engaged in business relating to the work of the board."

SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed. New material is underscored.

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

(Approved April 18, 1984.)