ACT 55

A Bill for an Act Relating to the Metropolitan Planning Organization.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:

SECTION 1. Section 279E-3, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

"§279E-3 Metropolitan Planning Organization membership. The MPO shall consist of a policy committee and appropriate staff. The MPO policy committee shall consist of thirteen members. These members shall include: five members of the legislative body of the appropriate county; three members of the state senate, one of whom shall be chairperson of the senate committee with primary responsibility for transportation issues, and the other two of whom shall be appointed by the senate president; and three members of the state house of representatives, one of whom shall be the chairperson of the committee of the house of representatives with primary responsibility for transportation issues, and the other two of whom shall be appointed by the speaker of the house; one member appointed by the governor; and one member appointed by the mayor of the [city and county of Honolulu.] <u>appropriate county.</u>

Each member of the MPO policy committee who is a member of the state legislature or the legislative body of the county shall serve for the same term as the term of office for which the member is elected. There shall be no remuneration for this service.

Vacancies in the MPO policy committee which occur shall be filled in the same manner in which the original member was appointed."

SECTION 2. Section 279E-6, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

"§279E-6 Meetings. Notice of MPO policy committee meetings shall be published in a newspaper of general circulation at least forty-eight hours in advance and such meetings shall be open to the public.

Where the MPO makes a decision concerning input to any of its advisory plans or procedures or any other matter, then there shall be at least six members of the MPO policy committee present, of whom at least three shall be [legislative] <u>state</u> members and at least three shall be county members. The decision shall be made by a majority vote of the members present."

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 Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed.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

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on approval.

(Approved April 21, 1986.)