

ACT 233

H.B. NO. 377

A Bill for an Act Relating to the Environmental Council.

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

SECTION 1. Section 341-3, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by amending subsection (c) to read as follows:

“(c) There is created an environmental council not to exceed fifteen members. Except for the director, members of the environmental council shall be appointed by the governor as provided in section 26-34. The council shall be [placed within] attached to the department of health for administrative purposes. Except for the director, the term of each member shall be four years; provided that, of the members initially appointed, five members shall serve for four years, five members shall serve for three years, and the remaining four members shall serve for two years. Vacancies shall be filled for the remainder of any unexpired term in the same manner as original appointments. The director shall be an ex officio voting member of the council. The council chairperson shall be elected by the council from among the appointed members of the council.

Members shall be appointed to assure a broad and balanced representation of educational, business, and environmentally pertinent disciplines and professions, such as the natural and social sciences, the humanities, architecture, engineering, environmental consulting, public health, and planning; educational and research institutions with environmental competence; agriculture, real estate, visitor industry, construction, media, and voluntary community and environmental groups. The members of the council shall serve without compensation but shall be reimbursed for expenses, including travel expenses, incurred in the discharge of their duties.”

SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed. New statutory material is underscored.

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

(Approved June 23, 1987.)