

ACT 231

H.B. NO. 1895

A Bill for an Act Relating to Appointment of Advisory Committees for Regulatory Programs.

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

SECTION 1. Section 26-9, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by amending subsection (s) to read as follows:

“(s) The director of commerce and consumer affairs may establish advisory committees, the members of which shall serve as consultants to the boards and to the director in their review of licensees referred for possible disciplinary action and as experts to the department for investigations[.] and professional vocational licensing matters. Each advisory committee shall be appointed by the director from a list of licensees submitted annually by the board or by referral from the regulated industry for which an advisory committee is appointed. Each member of the committee shall serve until a new committee is established or until the particular case for which the member was designated a consultant or expert has been concluded.

All members of the advisory committee shall serve voluntarily and without compensation, but shall be paid reasonable allowances for travel and expenses that may be incurred as a result of performance of their duties on the committee. The costs shall be paid by the department.

Any member of the advisory committee shall be immune from civil liability for any act done in connection with this subsection.”

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 Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed.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 17, 1997.)