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H.B. NO. 1387

A Bill for an Act Relating to Nurses.

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

SECTION 1. Section 457-3, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

"§457-3 State board of nursing; appointment; term of office[; removal from office]. The board shall consist of nine members[, five of whom] as follows:

- (1) Six shall be registered nurses, [two] one of whom shall be recognized as an advanced practice registered nurse in this State;
- (2) One shall be a licensed practical [nurses] nurse; and [two of whom]
- Two shall be public members[; provided that at the first vacancy of a registered nurse member of the board after July 5, 1994 and thereafter, at least one of the registered nurses shall meet the requirements for recognition as an advanced practice registered nurse set out in this chapter].

Both nursing education and direct providers of nursing services shall be represented on the board. The term of office for members of the board shall be three years. No member shall be appointed to more than two consecutive terms or serve more than six consecutive years. Six members of the board shall be residents of the city and county of Honolulu and three shall be residents of counties other than the city and county of Honolulu."

SECTION 2. The licensed practical nurses who are members of the board on the effective date of this Act shall be allowed to complete their respective terms.

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 Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed.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

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval. (Approved April 27, 2000.)