

ACT 60

H.B. NO. 1970

A Bill for an Act Relating to the Hawaii State Emergency Response Commission.

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

SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the University of Hawaii school of public health was closed after the loss of its accreditation. It was replaced by a new department of public health sciences and epidemiology, located in the John A. Burns school of medicine.

At the November 17, 2000, meeting of the Hawaii state emergency response commission, members approved a change in membership to replace the dean of the University of Hawaii school of public health with the dean of the University of Hawaii John A. Burns school of medicine.

The purpose of this Act is to amend chapter 128E, Hawaii Revised Statutes, to reflect the change in membership of the commission. If the school of public health is reaccredited, this Act allows the governor to reappoint the dean of that school in lieu of the dean of the medical school.

SECTION 2. Section 128E-2, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:

“(b) The commission shall consist of the following members, who shall be appointed by the governor as provided in section 26-34:

- (1) The director of health;

- (2) The chairperson of the board of agriculture;
- (3) The adjutant general;
- (4) The director of labor and industrial relations;
- (5) The chairperson of the board of land and natural resources;
- (6) The director of the office of environmental quality control;
- (7) The director of business, economic development, and tourism;
- (8) The director of transportation;
- (9) The dean of the University of Hawaii school of public health[;] or the dean of the University of Hawaii school of medicine, as determined by the governor;
- (10) The director of the environmental center of the University of Hawaii;
- (11) One representative from each committee designated by the mayor of each respective county; and
- (12) Other persons appointed by the governor to meet the minimum requirements of the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act of 1986.”

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 Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed and stricken.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

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon approval.

(Approved May 23, 2002.)