A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO SUNSHINE LAW.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1	SECTION 1. Section 92-2.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is			
2	amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:			
3	"§92-2.5 Permitted interactions of members. (a) Two			
4	members of a board may discuss between themselves matters			
5	relating to official board business to enable them to perform			
6	their duties faithfully, as long as no commitment to vote is			
7	made or sought and the two members do not constitute a quorum of			
8	their board. More than one board member may attend the same			
9	meeting, as long as each member's intent is to gather			
10	information and to pose questions in efforts to undertake steps			
11	for due diligence and stated duties faithfully.			
12	(b) Two or more members of a board[, but less than the			
13	number of members which would constitute a quorum for the			
14	board, may be assigned to:			
15	(1) Investigate a matter relating to the official business			
16	of their board; provided that:			

1		(A)	The scope of the investigation and the scope of
2			each member's authority are defined at a meeting
3			of the board;
4		(B)	All resulting findings and recommendations are
5			presented to the board at a meeting of the board;
6			and
7		(C)	Deliberation and decision_making on the matter
8			investigated, if any, occurs only at a duly
9			noticed meeting of the board held subsequent to
10			the meeting at which the findings and
11			recommendations of the investigation were
12			presented to the board; or
13	(2)	Pres	ent, discuss, or negotiate any position which the
14		boar	d has adopted at a meeting of the board; provided
15		that	the assignment is made and the scope of each
16		memb	er's authority is defined at a meeting of the
17		boar	d prior to the presentation, discussion or
18		nego	tiation.
19	SECT	ION 2	. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
20	and stric	ken.	New statutory material is underscored.
21	SECT	ION 3	. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2007.

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Report Title:

Sunshine Law

Description:

Allows for two or more members to attend a meeting to gather information on a subject. Allows a greater number of members to serve on an investigative committee.