EXECUTIVE CHAMBERS HONOLULU

NEIL ABERCROMBIE GOVERNOR

April 17, 2012

The Honorable Shan Tsutsui, President and Members of the Senate Twenty-Sixth State Legislature State Capitol, Room 409 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813 The Honorable Calvin Say, Speaker and Members of the House Twenty-Sixth State Legislature State Capitol, Room 431 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear President Tsutsui, Speaker Say and Members of the Legislature:

This is to inform you that on April 17, 2012, the following bill was signed into law:

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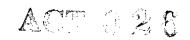
RELATING TO VACANCIES. Act 026 (12)

NEIL ABERCROMBIE
Governor, State of Hawaii

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Ápproved by the Governor on APR 17 2012

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
TWENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE, 2012



H.B. NO. 2181

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO VACANCIES.

STATE OF HAWAII

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

1	SECTION 1. Section 17-7, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2	amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:
3	"(b) In the case of a vacancy, the term of which does not
4	end at the next succeeding special election held in conjunction
5	with the general election:
6	(1) If it occurs not later than on the [sixtieth] seventy-
7	fifth day prior to the next succeeding special
8	election held in conjunction with the general
9	election, the vacancy shall be filled for the
10	unexpired term at the next succeeding special election
11	held in conjunction with the general election. The
12	chief election officer shall issue a proclamation
13	designating the election for filling the vacancy. All
14	candidates for the unexpired term shall file
15	nomination papers not later than 4:30 p.m. on the
. 16	[fiftleth] sixtleth day prior to the special election
17	(but if such day is a Saturday, Sunday, or holiday
18	then not later than 4:30 p.m. on the first working day

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1		immediately preceding) and shall be elected in
2		accordance with this title. Pending the election, the
3		board or the governor shall make a temporary
4		appointment to fill the vacancy in the manner
5		prescribed under subsection (a). When island
6		residency is required under section 13D-1, the person
7		so appointed shall reside on the island from which the
8		vacancy occurred, and shall serve for the duration of
9		the unexpired term and shall serve until the election
10		of the person duly elected to fill such vacancy.
11	(2)	If it occurs after the [sixtieth] seventy-fifth day
12		prior to the next succeeding special election held in
13		conjunction with the general election, the board or
14		the governor shall make an appointment to fill the
15		vacancy in the manner prescribed under subsection (a).
16		When island residency is required under section 13D-1,
17		the person so appointed shall reside on the island
18		from which the vacancy occurred, and shall serve for
19		the duration of the unexpired term."
20	SECT	ION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
21	and stric	ken. New statutory material is underscored.

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

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INTRODUCED BY:

By Request

JAN 20 2012

APPROVED this 17 day of

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, 2012

GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF HAWAII