A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE CONTRACTORS LICENSE BOARD.

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

1	SECT	ION 1. Section 444-3, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is			
2	amended to read as follows:				
3	"§444-3 Contractors license board. (a) There shall be a				
4	contractors license board of thirteen members[\div], each of whom				
5	shall:				
6	(1)	Be at least thirty years of age and of good character;			
7		<u>and</u>			
8	(2)	Have been a resident of, and domiciled in, the State			
9		for not less than five years preceding the member's			
10		appointment.			
11	(b)	Of the board members:			
12	(1)	[Ten] Five shall be contractors who have been actively			
13		engaged in the contracting business for a period of			
14		not less than five years preceding the date of their			
15		appointment[;			
16	(2) ·	Five] and who hold a valid and unexpired license to			
17		operate as a contractor at the time of appointment.			
18		Of the five contractors, one shall be a general			
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1		engi	neering <u>contractor</u> , [or] <u>two shall be general</u>		
2		building contractors, [five] and two shall be			
3		specialty contractors[, and three shall be			
4		noncontractors.]; and			
5	(2)	Eight shall be noncontractors, as follows:			
6_		<u>(A)</u>	One shall be a member of a labor organization		
7			representing the building trades;		
8		<u>(B)</u>	One shall be a representative of a state-approved		
9			building and construction trade apprenticeship		
10			program pursuant to section 103-55.6;		
11		<u>(C)</u>	One shall be a representative from the Hawaii		
12			occupational safety and health division of the		
13			department of labor and industrial relations; and		
14		<u>(D)</u>	Five shall be public members; provided that each		
15			public member shall possess a working knowledge		
16			of, or have experience with, the construction		
17			industry;		
18		prov	ided that no noncontractor shall be a current		
19		<u>lice</u>	nsee of the board, a close family member of a		
20		licensee, or have any financial interest in the			
21		busi	ness of any licensee of the board.		

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- 1 No member shall receive any compensation for the member's 2 services, but each shall be reimbursed for necessary traveling expenses incurred in the performance of duties. 3 Each county shall be represented on the board. 4 (c) 5 [No one, except the three noncontractor members, shall (d) 6 be eligible for appointment who does not at the time of the 7 member's appointment hold a valid and unexpired license to operate as a contractor. The protection of the public shall be 8
- 9 of the highest priority for the board in the exercise of its
- 10 licensing, regulatory, and disciplinary functions. Whenever the
- 11 protection of the public is inconsistent with other interests
- 12 that are sought to be promoted, the protection of the public
- shall take priority.
- 14 (e) For the purposes of this section, the terms "general
- 15 engineering contractor", "general building contractor", and
- 16 "specialty contractor" shall have the meanings given to them in
- 17 <u>section 444-7.</u>"
- 18 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 19 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 20 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval;
- 21 provided that the present members of the contractors license

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- 1 board shall serve in their capacity until their replacements are
- 2 appointed by the governor.

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Report Title:

Contractors license board; Composition

Description:

Increases the number of noncontractors in the contractors license board from 3 to 8. Reduces the number of contractors from 10 to 5. Ensures the presence of noncontractor members from the public with 3 members. Adds age, residence, domicile, and other requirements for board members. Gives priority to protection of the public over the board's licensing, regulatory, and disciplinary functions.

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