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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE CHAIRPERSON OF THE HAWAIIAN HOMES COMMISSION.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the state water code
2 has not been implemented in full compliance with the
3 requirements of section 174C-101(a), Hawaii Revised Statutes,
4 that adequate reserves of water for current and foreseeable
5 development of Hawaiian home lands be incorporated into and
6 protected by the decisions of the commission on water resource
7 management. The commission on water resource management has
8 only reserved water for current and foreseeable development of
9 Hawaiian home lands on Oahu and Molokai, and in Keauhou on the
10 island of Hawaii. The legislature further finds that
11 representation on the commission on water resource management by
12 the Hawaiian homes commission is necessary for section
13 174C-101(a), Hawaii Revised Statutes, to be properly fulfilled.

14 The purpose of this Act is to add the chairperson of the
15 Hawaiian homes commission or the chairperson's designee as an ex
16 officio, voting member of the commission on water resource
17 management.



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1 SECTION 2. Section 174C-7, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by amending subsections (a) and (b) to read as follows:

3 "(a) There is established within the department a
4 commission on water resource management consisting of [~~seven~~]
5 eight members which shall have exclusive jurisdiction and final
6 authority in all matters relating to implementation and
7 administration of the state water code, except as otherwise
8 specifically provided in this chapter.

9 (b) Five members shall be appointed by the governor
10 subject to confirmation by the senate in the manner prescribed
11 in subsection (d). Each [~~member~~] of the five appointed members
12 shall have substantial experience in the area of water resource
13 management; provided that at least one member shall have
14 substantial experience or expertise in traditional Hawaiian
15 water resource management techniques and in traditional Hawaiian
16 riparian usage such as those preserved by section 174C-101. The
17 chairperson of the board of land and natural resources shall be
18 the chairperson of the commission. The director of health or
19 the director's designee shall serve as an ex officio[+], [+]
20 voting member. The chairperson of the Hawaiian homes commission



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1 or the chairperson's designee shall serve as an ex officio,
2 voting member."

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

5 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2019.

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Report Title:

Commission on Water Resource Management; Hawaiian Homes
Commission Representation

Description:

Adds the chairperson of the Hawaiian Homes Commission or the chairperson's designee to serve as an ex officio, voting member of the Commission on Water Resource Management.

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