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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE HAWAII TOURISM AUTHORITY.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 201B-2, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended as follows:

3 1. By amending subsections (b) and (c) to read:

4 "(b) The authority shall be headed by a policy-making  
5 board of directors that shall consist of [~~twelve~~] nine members;  
6 provided that:

7 (1) The members shall be appointed by the governor as  
8 provided in section 26-34, except as provided by this  
9 section;

10 (2) The members shall include at least one representative  
11 each from the city and county of Honolulu and the  
12 counties of Hawaii, Kauai, and Maui;

13 (3) Three members shall be appointed by the governor from  
14 a list of three names submitted for each appointment  
15 by the president of the senate, and three members  
16 shall be appointed by the governor from a list of  
17 three names submitted for each appointment by the



1 speaker of the house of representatives; provided that  
2 if fewer than three names are submitted for each  
3 appointment, the governor may disregard the list;

4 (4) At least [~~six~~] four members shall have knowledge,  
5 experience, and expertise in the area of  
6 accommodations, transportation, retail, entertainment,  
7 or attractions, and at least one member appointed by  
8 the governor shall have knowledge, experience, and  
9 expertise in the area of Hawaiian cultural practices;  
10 provided that no more than [~~three~~] two members shall  
11 represent, be employed by, or be under contract to any  
12 sector of the industry represented on the board;

13 (5) One member shall be the director of business, economic  
14 development, and tourism, or the director's designee,  
15 who shall be an ex officio voting member;

16 (6) The governor shall make appointments to ensure the  
17 fulfillment of all requirements of paragraphs (2) and  
18 (4); provided that upon the occurrence of a vacancy  
19 subject to paragraph (3), the governor shall notify  
20 the president of the senate and the speaker of the  
21 house of representatives of any unfulfilled



1 requirements pursuant to paragraphs (2) and (4), and  
2 the president of the senate or the speaker of the  
3 house of representatives, as appropriate, shall submit  
4 nominees who fulfill those requirements; and

5 (7) No person who has served as a member of the board of  
6 directors of the Hawaii Visitors and Convention Bureau  
7 shall be eligible to sit as a member of the board of  
8 directors of the Hawaii tourism authority until at  
9 least two years have expired between the person's  
10 termination from service on the Hawaii Visitors and  
11 Convention Bureau board and the person's appointment  
12 to the authority's board of directors.

13 (c) Members shall be appointed by the governor for terms  
14 of four years; provided that membership on the board shall not  
15 exceed eight consecutive years; provided further that each  
16 member shall ~~[hold office until the member's successor is~~  
17 ~~appointed and qualified.]~~ not continue as a holdover member  
18 beyond the beginning of the next regular legislative session,  
19 following the expiration of the member's term."

20 2. By amending subsection (e) to read:



1           "(e) [~~Seven~~] Five members shall constitute a quorum and a  
2 minimum of [~~seven~~] five affirmative votes shall be necessary for  
3 all actions by the authority. The members shall serve without  
4 compensation, but shall be reimbursed for expenses, including  
5 traveling expenses, necessary for the performance of their  
6 duties."

7           SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
8 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

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

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**Report Title:**

Hawaii Tourism Authority; Board Members; Holdover Position; Term Limits

**Description:**

Reduces the number of members on the Hawaii Tourism Authority Board of Directors and number of members that constitute a quorum. Prohibits holdover board members of the Hawaii Tourism Authority from holding office beyond the commencement of the next legislative session following the expiration of the member's term of office. (SD1)

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