
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO MEETINGS.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 92-2, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended as follows:

3 1. By amending the definitions of "board" and "board
4 business" to read:

5 ""Board" means any agency, board, commission, authority,
6 ~~[or]~~ committee, or policymaking group of the State or its
7 political subdivisions ~~[which]~~ that is created by
8 ~~[constitution,]~~ any state or federal constitutional provision,
9 statute, rule, ~~[or]~~ executive order, or emergency proclamation,
10 to have supervision, control, jurisdiction, ~~[or]~~ advisory power,
11 or policymaking responsibilities over specific matters and
12 ~~[which]~~ that is required or requested to conduct meetings and to
13 take official actions~~[,]~~, including the creation of policies or
14 policy recommendations.

15 "Board business" means specific matters over which a board
16 has supervision, control, jurisdiction, ~~[or]~~ advisory power, or
17 policymaking responsibilities that are actually pending before



1 the board, or that can be reasonably anticipated to arise before
2 the board in the foreseeable future."

3 2. By amending the definition of "meeting" to read:

4 ""Meeting" means the convening of a board for which a
5 quorum is required in order to make a decision or to deliberate
6 toward a decision upon a matter over which the board has
7 supervision, control, jurisdiction, [~~or~~] advisory power[~~+~~], or
8 policymaking responsibilities."

9 SECTION 2. This Act does not affect rights and duties that
10 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were
11 begun before its effective date.

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 Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed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

14 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2024.



Report Title:

Sunshine Law; Open Meetings; Policymaking Groups; Definitions

Description:

Amends the definitions of "board", "board business", and "meeting" within state open meetings law to expand the scope of the law to include state and county policymaking groups, including groups created by emergency proclamations. (SD1)

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