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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

PROPOSING AN AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE X, SECTION 6, OF THE HAWAII STATE CONSTITUTION TO MODIFY THE APPOINTMENT PROCESS FOR THE BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII.

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

1           SECTION 1. The purpose of this Act is to propose an  
2 amendment to article X, section 6, of the Hawaii State  
3 Constitution to modify the University of Hawaii board of  
4 regents' appointment process.

5           SECTION 2. Article X, section 6, of the Constitution of  
6 the State of Hawaii is amended to read as follows:

7   **"BOARD OF REGENTS; POWERS**

8           **Section 6.** There shall be a board of regents of the  
9 University of Hawaii, the members of which shall be nominated  
10 and, by and with the advice and consent of the senate, appointed  
11 by the governor [~~from pools of qualified candidates presented to~~  
12 ~~the governor by the candidate advisory council for the board of~~  
13 ~~regents of the University of Hawaii]~~, as provided by law. At  
14 least part of the membership of the board shall represent  
15 geographic subdivisions of the State. The board shall have the  
16 power to formulate policy, and to exercise control over the



1 university through its executive officer, the president of the  
2 university, who shall be appointed by the board. The board  
3 shall also have exclusive jurisdiction over the internal  
4 structure, management, and operation of the university. This  
5 section shall not limit the power of the legislature to enact  
6 laws of statewide concern. The legislature shall have the  
7 exclusive jurisdiction to identify laws of statewide concern."

8 SECTION 3. The question to be printed on the ballot shall  
9 be as follows:

10 "Shall the constitutional requirement that limits the  
11 governor's authority to make appointments to the board of  
12 regents of the University of Hawaii only from pools of  
13 qualified candidates presented to the governor by the  
14 candidate advisory council be repealed to allow the  
15 governor to make appointments as provided by law?"

16 SECTION 4. Constitutional material to be repealed is  
17 bracketed and stricken.



1 SECTION 5. This amendment shall take effect upon  
2 compliance with article XVII, section 3, of the Constitution of  
3 the State of Hawaii.

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# S.B. NO. 631

**Report Title:**

Constitutional Amendment; University of Hawaii; Board of Regents; Candidate Advisory Council

**Description:**

Proposes an amendment to article X, section 6, of the Hawaii State Constitution to modify the appointment process for the Board of Regents of the University of Hawaii. Repeals the requirement that the governor shall only appoint from pools of candidates presented by the Candidate Advisory Council for the Board of Regents of the University of Hawaii.

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