

Senate Committee on Government Operations Tuesday, January 30, 2024 3:00 P.M.

Testimony by:

Yvonne Lau, Executive Administrator and Secretary of the Board of Regents

S.B. No. 2292 - RELATING TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS.

Chair McKelvey, Vice Chair Gabbard, and members of the Committee:

These comments on S.B. No. 2292 are offered in my capacity as the Executive Administrator and Secretary of the Board of Regents.

The Board of Regents of the University of Hawai'i (Board) has not yet had the opportunity to discuss this measure. Discussion is expected to occur at the Board's next meeting on February 16, 2024.

Thank you for the opportunity to offer comments on S.B. No. 2292.

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TESTIMONY BY LUIS P. SALAVERIA
DIRECTOR, DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND FINANCE
TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS
ON
SENATE BILL NO. 2292

January 30, 2024 3:00 p.m. Room 225 and Videoconference

RELATING TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

The Department of Budget and Finance (B&F) offers comments on this bill.

Senate Bill No. 2292 repeals the exemption for ex officio members of boards and commissions from selection and terms requirements under Section 26-34, HRS, with respect to the Board of Trustees of the Employees' Retirement System.

B&F would like to point out that the Director of Finance is already subject to the Senate confirmation process.

Thank you for your consideration of our comments.



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Testimony of the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs

Before the
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Tuesday, January 30, 2024
3:00 p.m.
Conference Room 225 and Videoconference

On the following measure: S.B. 2292, RELATING TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Chair McKelvey and Members of the Committee:

My name is Ahlani Quiogue, and I am the Licensing Administrator of the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs' (Department) Professional and Vocational Licensing Division (Division). The Department offers comments on this bill.

The purpose of this bill is to clarify that the procedures for selecting members of board and commissions also apply to ex officio members.

The Department seeks clarification regarding how this bill would impact current ex officio members serving on boards administratively attached to the Division. More specifically, the Director of the Department currently serves as an ex officio member on the Board of Private Detectives and Guards, would the Director be subject, based on the language of this bill, to a second advice and consent by the Senate and appointment by the Governor? Similarly, would the three current ex officio members serving on the Pest Control Board be eligible to continue to serve or would they need to apply for membership and, by the advice and consent of the Senate, be appointed by

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the Governor? These members provide valuable knowledge and experience, which is beneficial to consumers and the industry. We run the risk of losing these members as well as difficulty in finding new members if they are subject to appointment.

Thank you for the opportunity to testify on this bill.