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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE REAL ESTATE COMMISSION.

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

- SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the real estate
- 2 commission is responsible for, among other things, overseeing
- 3 condominium projects, condominium associations, managing agents,
- 4 and condominium hotel operators. The real estate commission is
- 5 also responsible for administering the condominium education
- 6 trust fund for educational purposes, including education and
- 7 research in the field of condominium management. Presently,
- 8 there are approximately 1,668 condominium association
- 9 registrations and twenty-nine condominium hotel operator
- 10 registrations in the State. The expertise of the real estate
- 11 commission is therefore critical to ensuring accountability and
- 12 compliance with existing condominium law.
- 13 Accordingly, to promote the safety of the hundreds of
- 14 thousands of residents who live in the condominiums across the
- 15 State, the purpose of this Act is to require that at least two
- 16 members of the real estate commission be licensed professional
- 17 engineers or professional architects who have been engaged in



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- 1 business within the State for three years preceding their
- 2 appointment to the real estate commission.
- 3 SECTION 2. Section 467-3, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 4 amended to read as follows:
- 5 "\$467-3 Commission, appointments, qualifications, tenure.
- 6 There shall be appointed a commission to be known as the real
- 7 estate commission, to consist of nine members, at least four of
- 8 whom shall be licensed real estate brokers who have been engaged
- 9 in business as licensed real estate brokers or salespersons for
- 10 three years immediately preceding their appointments [, each of
- 11 whom]. At least two members shall be licensed professional
- 12 engineers or architects who have been engaged in business as a
- 13 licensed professional engineer or architect in the State for
- 14 three years immediately preceding their appointments. All
- 15 members shall be a citizen of the United States and shall have
- 16 resided in the State for at least three years preceding
- 17 appointment, and one of whom shall be designated by the
- 18 appointing power as chairperson. Four members shall be
- 19 residents of the city and county of Honolulu, one shall be a
- 20 resident of the county of Hawaii, one shall be a resident of the

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- 1 county of Maui, and one shall be a resident of the county of
- 2 Kauai and two members shall be public members.
- 3 Appointments shall be made for a term of four years,
- 4 commencing from the date of expiration of the last preceding
- 5 term and shall be made to expire on June 30. Appointments shall
- 6 be made so that at least one appointment shall be required each
- 7 year.
- 8 Any vacancy shall be filled by appointment for the
- 9 unexpired term."
- 10 SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 11 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 12 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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INTRODUCED BY:

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Report Title:

Real Estate Commission; Membership; Requirements; Professional Engineers; Architects

Description:

Requires at least two members of the Real Estate Commission to be licensed professional engineers or architects engaged in business in the State for three years immediately preceding the appointment.

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