

A Bill for an Act Relating to the Hospital Administrators of County General Hospitals.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:

SECTION 1. Section 27-22, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

"Sec. 27-22 County hospital managing committees. There shall be for each county general hospital a management advisory committee to consist of seven members to be appointed as hereinafter provided.

- (1) Powers and duties of management advisory committee: The committee shall be responsible to and under the director of health for advising and assisting in the carrying out of all policies of the department of health. The committee shall select its own chairman and vice chairman and may adopt such rules and regulations as it may consider necessary for the conduct of its business. The appointment of the hospital administrator shall be made pursuant to chapters 76 and 77, on or after the effective date of this Act. Hospital administrators appointed prior to the effective date of this Act shall receive permanent civil service status as provided in chapters 76 and 77 without the necessity of examination and shall be accorded all rights, benefits, and privileges attributable thereto. Such rights and privileges shall include seniority, prior service credit, vacation and sick leave credits, and other benefits and privileges accorded a hospital administrator with civil service status. Such hospital administrators shall not suffer a reduction in their pay rate.
- (2) Appointment and tenure: The members of the management advisory committee shall be appointed by the governor. The members shall serve for a term of four years; provided, that upon the initial appointment of the members, one shall be appointed for a term of one year, two for a term of two years, two for a term of three years and two for a term of four years.

Each committee shall sit in an advisory capacity to the director of health on matters concerning the planning, construction, improvement, maintenance, and operation of public hospitals and other public health and medical facilities within their respective jurisdictions; but nothing herein shall be construed as precluding or preventing the committees from coordinating their efforts and activities with the hospital administrators within their counties.

The members of the committees shall serve without compensation, but shall be reimbursed for travelling expenses incurred in the performance of their duties. The department of health shall provide for the necessary expenses of the committees; provided that no expenses may be incurred without prior authorization by the director of health."

SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed. New material is underscored. In printing this Act, the revisor of statutes need not include

the brackets, the bracketed material, or the underscoring.*

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

(Approved June 12, 1974.)

*Edited accordingly.