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H.B. NO. 291

A Bill for an Act Relating to the University of Hawaii Board of Regents.

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

SECTION 1. Section 26-11, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

"\$26-11 University of Hawaii. (a) The University of Hawaii shall be headed by an executive board to be known as the board of regents.

[The board of regents shall appoint and may remove an executive officer to be known as the president of the University of Hawaii.]

The board shall consist of eleven members. No more than six of the members shall be members of the same political party and at least part of the membership of the board shall represent geographic subdivisions of the State.

The board shall have power, in accordance with the Constitution of the State and with law, to formulate policy, and to exercise control over the university through its executive officer, the president of the university. The board shall have exclusive jurisdiction over the internal organization and management of the university.

(b) The board of regents shall appoint and may remove:

- (1) An executive officer to be known as the president of the University of Hawaii; and
- (2) An ex-officio student member as a representative to each of its standing committees except the committee on personnel relations; provided that the board may appoint the same student member to each of its standing committees or may appoint more than one student member to any one standing committee. The student member shall be a non-voting member of the standing committee and shall be excluded from executive sessions. For the purposes of this section, the student member's presence shall not count toward a quorum as defined in section 92-15.

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The University of Hawaii as heretofore constituted as a body corporate is continued as the University of Hawaii established by this chapter."

SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed. New statutory material is underscored.

SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect upon its approval. (Approved June 18, 1996.)