

ACT 104

S.B. NO. 1066

A Bill for an Act Relating to the Natural Energy Laboratory of Hawaii Authority.

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

SECTION 1. Section 227D-2, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:

“(b) The governing body of the authority shall consist of a board of directors having ~~(eleven)~~ thirteen voting members. Three members from the general public shall be appointed by the governor for staggered terms pursuant to section 26-34, except that one of these members shall be a resident of the county of Hawaii. The members shall be selected on the basis of their knowledge, interest, and proven expertise in, but not limited to, one or more of the following fields: finance, commerce and trade, corporate management, marketing,

economics, engineering, energy management, real estate development, property management, aquaculture, and ocean science. The chairperson and secretary of the research advisory committee shall serve on the board. The director of business, economic development, and tourism, the chairperson of the board of land and natural resources, the president of the University of Hawaii, the mayor of the county of Hawaii, an appointed member from the board of the high technology development corporation, and an appointed member from the board of the Hawaii strategic development corporation, or their designated representatives, shall serve as ex officio, voting members of the board. The tenants of the authority shall elect two members to the board from among the tenants of the authority, of which one member shall serve a two-year term, and one member shall serve a four-year term. In electing the tenant members, each tenant shall be entitled to cast one vote for each member position. The tenant members shall be recused from voting on setting lease rents, water rates, or utility rates, but may participate in discussions. The director of business, economic development, and tourism shall serve as the chairperson until such time as a chairperson is elected by the board from the membership. The board shall elect other officers as it deems necessary.”

SECTION 2. The inaugural election for the two tenant representative positions on the board of directors of the natural energy laboratory of Hawaii authority shall be completed by October 1, 2009.

SECTION 3. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2009.

(Approved June 10, 2009.)