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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO VACANCIES.

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

1           SECTION 1. Section 17-7, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended by amending subsection (b) to read as follows:

3           "(b) In the case of a vacancy, the term of which does not  
4 end at the next succeeding special election held in conjunction  
5 with the general election:

6           (1) If it occurs not later than on the [~~sixtieth~~] seventy-  
7 fifth day prior to the next succeeding special  
8 election held in conjunction with the general  
9 election, the vacancy shall be filled for the  
10 unexpired term at the next succeeding special election  
11 held in conjunction with the general election. The  
12 chief election officer shall issue a proclamation  
13 designating the election for filling the vacancy. All  
14 candidates for the unexpired term shall file  
15 nomination papers not later than 4:30 p.m. on the  
16 [~~fiftieth~~] sixtieth day prior to the special election  
17 (but if such day is a Saturday, Sunday, or holiday  
18 then not later than 4:30 p.m. on the first working day



1 immediately preceding) and shall be elected in  
2 accordance with this title. Pending the election, the  
3 board or the governor shall make a temporary  
4 appointment to fill the vacancy in the manner  
5 prescribed under subsection (a). When island  
6 residency is required under section 13D-1, the person  
7 so appointed shall reside on the island from which the  
8 vacancy occurred, [~~and~~] shall serve for the duration  
9 of the unexpired term, and shall serve until the  
10 election of the person duly elected to fill such  
11 vacancy.

12 (2) If it occurs after the [~~sixtieth~~] seventy-fifth day  
13 prior to the next succeeding special election held in  
14 conjunction with the general election, the board or  
15 the governor shall make an appointment to fill the  
16 vacancy in the manner prescribed under subsection (a).  
17 When island residency is required under section 13D-1,  
18 the person so appointed shall reside on the island  
19 from which the vacancy occurred, and shall serve for  
20 the duration of the unexpired term."

21 SECTION 2. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
22 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.



1 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.



**Report Title:**

Office of Hawaiian Affairs; Board of Trustees; Vacancies;  
Election

**Description:**

Amends the deadline to file nomination papers associated with filling a vacancy in the membership of the board of trustees of OHA, to ensure compliance with provisions of the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2010, P.L. 111-84, mandating the mailing of absentee ballots to uniformed and overseas voters no later than forty-five days prior to an election. Effective 07/01/50. (SD1)

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