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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO COLLECTIVE BARGAINING.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that each county council
2 has a duty to appropriate funds for the salaries and benefits of
3 county employees. Knowledge of bargaining unit negotiations and
4 associated costs by county council members is essential for
5 effective county financial planning.

6 The purpose of this Act is to allow a representative of
7 each county council to be present as a nonvoting participant in
8 negotiations with bargaining units if the relevant county has
9 employees in the particular bargaining unit.

10 SECTION 2. Section 89-6, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
11 amended by amending subsection (d) to read as follows:

12 "(d) For the purpose of negotiating a collective
13 bargaining agreement, the public employer of an appropriate
14 bargaining unit shall mean the governor together with the
15 following employers:

16 (1) For bargaining units (1), (2), (3), (4), (9), (10),
17 (13), and (14), the governor shall have six votes and



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1 the mayors, the chief justice, and the Hawaii health
2 systems corporation board shall each have one vote if
3 they have employees in the particular bargaining unit;
4 provided that one representative from each county
5 council shall be allowed to attend negotiations as a
6 nonvoting participant if that county has employees in
7 the particular bargaining unit;

8 (2) For bargaining units (11) and (12), the governor shall
9 have four votes and the mayors shall each have one
10 vote; provided that one representative from each
11 county council shall be allowed to attend negotiations
12 as a nonvoting participant if that county has
13 employees in the particular bargaining unit;

14 (3) For bargaining units (5) and (6), the governor shall
15 have three votes, the board of education shall have
16 two votes, and the superintendent of education shall
17 have one vote; and

18 (4) For bargaining units (7) and (8), the governor shall
19 have three votes, the board of regents of the
20 University of Hawaii shall have two votes, and the



1 president of the University of Hawaii shall have one
2 vote.


3 Any decision to be reached by the applicable employer group
4 shall be on the basis of simple majority, except when a
5 bargaining unit includes county employees from more than one
6 county. In that case, the simple majority shall include at
7 least one county.

8 In executive meetings, the mayor or the mayor's
9 representative shall provide timely updates to their respective
10 county councils relating to bargaining unit negotiations."

11 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.

12 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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INTRODUCED BY: 
By Request



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Report Title:

Hawaii State Association of Counties Package; Collective Bargaining; County Council Representation

Description:

Allows a representative of each county council to be present as a nonvoting participant in negotiations with bargaining units if the relevant county has employees in the particular bargaining unit. Requires mayors to report collective bargaining unit negotiations to their respective county councils.

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