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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE KING KAMEHAMEHA CELEBRATION COMMISSION.

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

1 SECTION 1. Section 8-5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
2 amended as follows:

3 1. By amending subsection (a) to read:

4 "(a) There shall be a commission to be known as the King  
5 Kamehameha celebration commission placed within the department  
6 of accounting and general services for administrative purposes.

7 The commission shall consist of [~~thirteen~~] fifteen members to be  
8 appointed by the governor in the manner provided by section 26-  
9 34. The appointments shall be made from the following  
10 organizations, with [~~at least~~] one member from each  
11 organization:

- 12 (1) Royal Order of Kamehameha I;  
13 (2) 'Ahahui Ka'ahumanu;  
14 (3) Hale O Nā Ali'i O Hawai'i 'Ahahui Po'o;  
15 (4) Daughters and Sons of Hawaiian Warriors[+] Māmakakaua;  
16 (5) Kamehameha Schools Alumni Association;  
17 (6) Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs;



- 1           (7) ~~[Waimanalo Homesteaders Association,]~~ Waimānalo  
2           Hawaiian Homes Association;  
3           (8) Daughters of Hawaii;  
4           ~~[+8)]~~ (9) Kapahulu Music Club; and  
5           ~~[+9)]~~ (10) ~~[Papakōlea]~~ Papakōlea Community Association.

6           Each organization shall maintain a certificate of good  
7 standing issued by the department of commerce and consumer  
8 affairs and an active membership list. Each organization may  
9 recommend for appointment to the commission persons capable of  
10 providing administrative guidance to the commission with regard  
11 to knowledge of Hawaiian culture, history and protocols, legal  
12 issues, business, accounting, marketing, philanthropy, or public  
13 relations.

14           In addition, the governor shall appoint one member to the  
15 commission from each of the following islands: Kaua'i, Lāna'i,  
16 Maui, Moloka'i, and Hawai'i. Each of these members shall be a  
17 resident of the respective island that the member represents.  
18 The governor shall appoint persons capable of providing  
19 administrative guidance with regard to legal issues, business,  
20 accounting, marketing, philanthropy, or public relations."

21           2. By amending subsections (d) and (e) to read:



1           "(d) The commission may appoint and dismiss an arts  
2 program specialist and a part-time clerk typist, without regard  
3 to chapter 76, who shall serve at the commission's pleasure, and  
4 whose salaries shall be provided through fees, public  
5 contributions, and private donations. The commission, by  
6 majority vote, shall appoint an executive director who shall be  
7 familiar with the people and culture of Hawai'i, and shall serve  
8 without regard to chapter 76 for a term to be determined by the  
9 commission. Except for matters undertaken by the comptroller  
10 pursuant to subsection (f), the executive director shall be  
11 responsible for all fiscal and administrative matters, including  
12 securing public contributions and private foundation grants or  
13 donations. The executive director shall also be responsible for  
14 developing and administering programs as the commission may  
15 direct. The salary of the executive director shall be  
16 established by the commission and shall not exceed the salary of  
17 any department head or executive officer. The executive  
18 director may be removed for cause at any time by a two-thirds  
19 vote of all commission members.

20           (e) The commission shall [~~have charge of~~] manage all  
21 arrangements for the celebration under its direction each year



1 generally observed throughout Hawai'i Nei on June 11, and shall  
2 support any other events as it may approve to commemorate the  
3 memory of the great Polynesian Hawaiian warrior and statesman  
4 King Kamehameha I, who united the Hawaiian Islands into the  
5 Kingdom of Hawai'i, and is recognized as such under section 8-1.  
6 The commission may appoint committees and delegate powers and  
7 duties to the committees as it shall determine."

8 3. By amending subsection (g) to read:

9 "(g) The commission shall be the coordinating agency for  
10 all [~~state sponsored as well as other celebration~~] commission-  
11 approved events [~~staged during the celebration period~~] as  
12 provided in subsection (e) and as designated by the commission  
13 to [~~assure~~] ensure that activities planned are timely and  
14 appropriate to commemorate the memory of King Kamehameha I. The  
15 commission [~~is~~] shall be authorized to determine to whom and for  
16 which occasions permission is to be granted for the use of the  
17 statue of King Kamehameha I."

18 SECTION 2. Members serving on the King Kamehameha  
19 celebration commission on the day before the effective date of  
20 this Act shall continue to serve until the member's term



1 expires, at which time new members of the commission shall be  
2 appointed in the manner set forth in section 1 of this Act.

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

5 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.



**Report Title:**

King Kamehameha Commission; Members; Executive Director

**Description:**

Increases the number of members on the King Kamehameha celebration commission from thirteen to fifteen. Establishes an executive director to be appointed by the commission. Effective 7/1/2050. (SD1)

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