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MINUTES
SPECIAL HSAC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING
 September 30, 2015
 Honolulu Hale, Committee Meeting Room
 530 South King Street
 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

I. CALL TO ORDER

The HSAC Executive Committee was called to order by HSAC President Alternate and County of Kauai Council Vice Chair Ross Kagawa at 10:26 a.m. The following members comprising a quorum were present:

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| County of Kauai: | HSAC President Alternate Ross Kagawa,
County of Kauai Council Vice-Chair |
| County of Hawaii: | Vice President Dennis "Fresh" Onishi, County
of Hawaii Councilmember |
| City and County of Honolulu: | Secretary Alternate Ernest Y. Martin, City and
County of Honolulu Council Chair |
| County of Maui: | Treasurer Michael Victorino, County of Maui
Councilmember |
| Others Present: | Honolulu staff Doug Chun, Legislative Analyst,
Office of Council Services;
Honolulu staff Brandon Mitsuda, Council
Liaison, Honolulu City Council
Administrative Support Services;
Kauai staff Aida Okasaki, Legislative Assistant,
Council Services Division;
Maui staff Kit Zulueta, Communication Director,
Office of Council Services |

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The Committee approved the agenda.



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III. MINUTES B.

III. NEW BUSINESS

A. Communication (September 17, 2015) from Councilmember Ikaika Anderson, HSAC Secretary, transmitting for the Executive Committee's approval, a proposal to amend Section 5, Paragraph 2 of the HSAC Bylaws as follows:

- 1) Designating a new slate of officers for the term beginning in 2015; and
- 2) Adding a rotation schedule for the slate of officers.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the proposed Bylaw amendment.

When HSAC President Alternate Kagawa opened the matter for discussion, Vice President Onishi, noting that he wished to speak for the record, stated that he supports the proposed amendment. He continued by noting that this amendment would institutionalize what he has been advocating for, namely, a designated slate of officers to act as a starting point, a certain and orderly rotation, and a limit to the how long each county would serve in any position.

Vice President Onishi stated, moreover, that he had hoped that this issue would have been discussed and decided at the past 2015 General Membership meeting, but nonetheless wanted to thank Secretary Anderson for assisting in getting this proposal considered and approved.

Finally, Vice President Onishi expressed his desire to state for the record, as a member of the Executive Committee, that he did not appreciate the way that he had been treated at both a previous meeting and at the Annual Conference, where words had been spoken that "were inappropriate" and no written apology had been tendered. He ended by noting that he would recommend that his Hawaii County Council colleagues support and approve this Bylaw amendment.

Hearing no other discussion, HSAC President Alternate Kagawa ended discussion on this matter by stating that, as President Rapozo's Alternate, he was in support of this amendment since the proposal seemed to be fair, represented a good compromise, and would provide each county an opportunity to fill the President's position on a regular basis.

The committee voted on and approved the proposed Bylaw amendment.

IV. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

IKAIKA ANDERSON, Secretary
Hawaii State Association of Counties