

COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI

GOVERNMENT RELATIONS COMMITTEE

March 19, 2004

Committee
Report No.

04-58

Honorable Chair and Members
of the County Council
County of Maui
Wailuku, Maui, Hawaii

Chair and Members:

Your Government Relations Committee, having met on March 3, 2004, makes reference to County Communication No. 03-273, from the Mayor, transmitting the following:

1. A proposed bill entitled "A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 6.04, MAUI COUNTY CODE, PERTAINING TO ANIMAL CONTROL". The purpose of the proposed bill is to amend Section 6.04.095 of the Maui County Code to delete the requirement for one member who is a member of the board of directors of the Humane Society to serve on the Animal Control Board, and to increase the number of members representing the general public from three to four.
2. Correspondence dated March 28, 2003, from the former Executive Director of the Maui Humane Society, requesting that the requirement for one seat on the Animal Control Board to be occupied by a member of the Maui Humane Society Board of Directors be deleted, due to time constraints and conflict-of-interest concerns.

At its meeting, your Committee met with the Senior Executive Assistant to the Mayor and the Corporation Counsel.

There was no public testimony.

The Senior Executive Assistant to the Mayor reiterated that the requirement for a Maui Humane Society Board member to also sit on the County's Animal Control Board needed to be deleted because of time constraints of individual board members, lack of willingness to serve on both boards by the members, and conflict-of-interest concerns.

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Further, the Senior Executive Assistant to the Mayor noted that he would like to explore the possibility of either extending the term for Animal Control Board members or allowing members to be appointed for more than one consecutive term.

After a brief discussion, your Committee decided to postpone considering the issue of extending terms or allowing reappointments and requested that the Administration transmit the appropriate legislation. Your Committee voted to recommend that the bill be passed on first reading and that the communication be filed.

Your Government Relations Committee RECOMMENDS the following:

1. That Bill No. _____ (2004), attached hereto, entitled "A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 6.04, MAUI COUNTY CODE, PERTAINING TO ANIMAL CONTROL" be PASSED ON FIRST READING and be ORDERED TO PRINT; and
2. That County Communication No. 03-273 be FILED.

Adoption of this report is respectfully requested.

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