

COUNCIL OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

September 18, 2009

Committee
Report No. _____

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

Chair and Members:

Your Committee of the Whole, having met on August 20, 2009, makes reference to County Communication No. 09-214, from Mayor Charmaine Tavares, transmitting a proposed bill entitled "A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 2.40, MAUI COUNTY CODE, PERTAINING TO THE COMMITTEE ON STATUS OF WOMEN".

The purpose of the proposed bill is to establish that the Committee on the Status of Women (CSW) shall consist of seven members.

Your Committee notes that the CSW is currently a nine-member committee and a quorum of five members must be present at a meeting in order for business to be transacted.

A representative from the Mayor's office informed your Committee that the CSW has had a difficult time obtaining a quorum for meetings, stalling the completion of important work. She explained that by establishing the CSW as a seven-member committee, attaining a quorum would be easier, and the members would be able to complete committee work in a timely manner.

Your Committee expressed concern about reducing the size of the membership given the importance of the CSW, yet recognized that the CSW is unable to hold meetings if a quorum is not present.

Your Committee anticipates that this measure will enable the CSW to hold more frequent and productive meetings.

Your Committee voted 6-1 to recommend passage of the proposed bill on first reading and filing of the communication. Committee Chair Molina, Vice-Chair Mateo, and members Baisa, Kaho'ohalahala, Nishiki, and Pontanilla voted "aye". Committee member Victorino voted "no". Committee members Johnson and Medeiros were excused.

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Your Committee of the Whole RECOMMENDS the following:

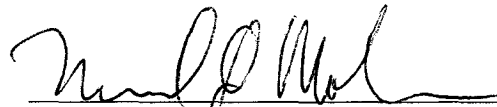
1. That Bill No. _____(2009), attached hereto, entitled "A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 2.40, MAUI COUNTY CODE, PERTAINING TO THE COMMITTEE ON STATUS OF WOMEN" be PASSED ON FIRST READING and be ORDERED TO PRINT; and
2. That County Communication No. 09-214 be FILED.

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This report is submitted in accordance with Rule 7 of the Rules of the Council.



MICHAEL J. MOLINA, Chair

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ORDINANCE NO. _____

BILL NO. _____ (2009)

A BILL FOR AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 2.40, MAUI COUNTY CODE, PERTAINING TO THE COMMITTEE ON STATUS OF WOMEN

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE COUNTY OF MAUI:


SECTION 1. Section 2.40.090, Maui County Code, is amended to read as follows:

"2.40.090 Committee on status of women. There is established a committee on the status of women as provided by law. (See section 367-4 of the Hawaii Revised Statutes.) The committee shall consist of seven members."

SECTION 2. New material is underscored. In printing this bill, the County Clerk need not include the underscoring.

SECTION 3. This ordinance shall take effect upon its approval.

APPROVED AS TO FORM
AND LEGALITY:



JEFFREY OOKA
Deputy Corporation Counsel
County of Maui

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