

2009-2010 HAWAI'I COUNTY CHARTER COMMISSION
CHARTER AMENDMENT PROPOSAL FORM

1. GENERAL INFORMATION

Name of Commission Member: _____

2. If applicable, list the charter provision(s) to be deleted or amended:

3. Provide a brief description of the purpose of the proposed charter amendment; include a description of the issue the proposal would address:

4. If the proposal is based on a provision(s) in the charter or law of another jurisdiction, name the jurisdiction and, if possible, attach a copy of the relevant provision(s).

5. If the proposal is based on any written materials you have, please attach a copy with a citation to its source.

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6. Attach the text of the proposed charter amendment in Ramseyer format (see below).

Ramseyer Format, if proposing:

Amendments to Existing Charter Provisions

Any language being proposed to be added to the Charter shall be underscored.

Any language being proposed to be deleted from the Charter shall be [bracketed].

Replacing Existing Charter Provisions in their Entirety

Clearly indicate the article(s), chapter(s), and/or section(s) of the Charter to be proposed to be deleted, and provide the text of any provisions proposed to replace the deleted material.

New Charter Provisions

Provide the text of the new provision(s) and, if possible, indicate where in the Charter the new material should be inserted.

CHARTER AMENDMENT NO.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE COUNTY OF HAWAI'I:

Section 1. Article III, Hawai'i County Charter, is amended to read add a new section as follows, with added language underscored:

“Section 3- . Standing Committees.

- (a) The county council shall establish standing committees with a chairperson and vice chairperson of each standing committee in order to expedite the business of the council. The council shall have the right to determine how many standing committees it needs, and the subject matter that each committee shall control.
- (b) It shall be the duty of the standing committees to investigate, consider, and make recommendations to the council on matters referred to the respective committees.
- (c) The council chairperson and all members of the council shall be members of each standing committee with voting privileges.
- (d) The respective chairperson of each standing committee shall agendize every resolution, bill, ordinance, presentation, or subject for discussion appropriate to that committee at the first committee meeting on which the matter can be legally agendized; an exception may be made by the respective committee chairperson to withhold the initial placement of a resolution, ordinance, bill, presentation, or subject for discussion on an agenda for no more than one committee session. After that, the matter shall be placed on the next standing committee agenda.
- (e) All referrals forwarded to the standing committees shall be placed on the committee agenda with a minimum of six calendar days notice to the public.
- (f) Filing and posting of public notice of the standing committees agendas for public access shall be prior to 4:30 p.m. on the sixth calendar day prior to the committee meeting and shall be accomplished by physically posting the agenda outside of the building that houses the office of the county clerk to allow public access and posting the agenda on the county website under the county council section prior to the 4:30 p.m. deadline.

Section 2. This amendment shall take effect upon approval by the electorate.