
HOUSE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE AUDITOR TO CONDUCT A MANAGEMENT AUDIT OF THE
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION.

1 WHEREAS, HRS §26-4 establishes the Department of
2 Transportation and §26-19 creates its single executive to head
3 the department who shall be known as the Director of
4 Transportation; and

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6 WHEREAS, HRS §26-32 allows the Director of Transportation
7 to designate some other officer in the department to act on
8 behalf of the director in the director's temporary absence or
9 illness; and

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11 WHEREAS, the same statute places responsibility and
12 liability on the director and the director's official bonds for
13 all acts done or performed by the person designated to act on
14 behalf of the director in the director's absence; and

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16 WHEREAS, in an effort to decentralize the internal
17 processes of the department, deputies of the department have
18 been signing official department memorandum and other official
19 documents on behalf of the director, when the director is known
20 to be available; and

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22 WHEREAS, this decentralization may call into question the
23 validity of those documents; and

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25 WHEREAS, a management audit might uncover deficiencies that
26 could be remedied with better planning and implementation; now,
27 therefore,

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29 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
30 Twenty-third Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session
31 of 2006, that the Auditor is requested to perform a management
32 audit of the Department of Transportation to include, but not be
33 limited to:
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(1) Assessing the organizational structure of a decentralized department;

(2) Assessing the benefits of decentralizing the department; and

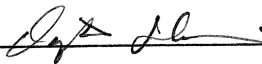
(3) Determining whether this decentralization effort complies with the powers of the director and deputies as set forth in statute; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Auditor is requested to submit a report of its findings and recommendations to the Legislature not later than twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular Session of 2007; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this resolution be transmitted the Auditor and the Director of Transportation.

OFFERED BY:





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