
SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE TO CONDUCT A FEASIBILITY STUDY ON SELLING THE LAND COMPRISING THE OAHU COMMUNITY CORRECTIONAL FACILITY ON KAMEHAMEHA HIGHWAY AND MOVING TO THE SITE OF THE ANIMAL QUARANTINE CENTER IN HALAWA OR ADJACENT STATE LAND NEAR THE CURRENT HALAWA CORRECTIONAL FACILITY.

1 WHEREAS, Hawaii's prison system is bursting at the seams
2 with a swelling inmate population, resulting in the imposition
3 of inmate transfers to mainland prisons in order to control an
4 otherwise extreme over-capacity and the possibility of a prison
5 rights lawsuit; and

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7 WHEREAS, the Oahu Community Correctional Center on
8 Kamehameha Highway in Kalihi sits on land that has been
9 described recently by a major real estate broker of commercial
10 and industrial properties as being "highly valued and [which]
11 could be an attractive investment opportunity in Hawaii's heated
12 commercial real estate marketplace"; and

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14 WHEREAS, the broker estimates that the industrial zoned
15 land of the Oahu Community Correctional Center could be worth in
16 excess of \$85 per square foot or over \$65,000,000; and

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18 WHEREAS, the Animal Quarantine Center in Halawa has
19 approximately 260 kennels in use, out of the 1,600 kennels in
20 the facility, which are used far less than formerly as a result
21 of the popular five-day rabies quarantine program initiated in
22 June 2003; and

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24 WHEREAS, the land under the Animal Quarantine Center in
25 Halawa or adjacent state land to the current Halawa Correctional
26 Facility, in whole or in part, could be an ideal location for a
27 much-needed new prison facility to supplement the nearby Halawa
28 Correctional Facility; and

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1 WHEREAS, the Board of Agriculture is presently considering
2 various lease options for the Animal Quarantine Center in
3 Halawa; and
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5 WHEREAS, the Department of Public Safety has plans to
6 replace the Oahu Community Correctional Center by 2013; and
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8 WHEREAS, more study is needed to determine the best use of
9 the land under the Oahu Community Correctional Center and the
10 land under the Animal Quarantine Center in Halawa; now,
11 therefore,
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13 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-third
14 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2006, the
15 House of Representatives concurring, that the Department of
16 Public Safety and the Department of Agriculture are requested to
17 conduct a feasibility study on selling the land comprising the
18 Oahu Community Correctional Facility on Kamehameha Highway and
19 moving to the site of the Animal Quarantine Center in Halawa or
20 adjacent state land to the Halawa Correctional Facility; and
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22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the report include, but not be
23 limited to, the following information:
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- 25 (1) The appraised value and, if different, the proposed
26 sale price for which the real property and facilities
27 upon which the Oahu Community Correctional Center
28 facility is situated would be sold;
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- 30 (2) The suitability of the site of the Animal Quarantine
31 Center in Halawa or adjacent state land to the Halawa
32 Correctional Facility for a new correctional facility;
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- 34 (3) The estimated cost of building a new facility at site
35 of the Animal Quarantine Center in Halawa or adjacent
36 state land to the Halawa Correctional Facility to
37 replace the Oahu Community Correctional Center;
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- 39 (4) Any draft legislation that may be necessary to
40 effectuate the sale or exchange of the Oahu Community
41 Correctional Center on Kamehameha Highway and the
42 construction of a new facility at the site of the
43 Animal Quarantine Center in Halawa or adjacent state
44 land to the Halawa Correctional Facility;



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(5) Plans and estimate costs of relocating the Animal Quarantine Center; and

(6) Any other relevant information;

and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Public Safety and the Department of Agriculture are requested to jointly report to the Legislature with findings and recommendations no later than twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular Session of 2007; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Director of Public Safety, the Chair of the Board of Agriculture, and the Governor.

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