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# SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING A REPORT ON THE FEASIBILITY OF CREATING A HAWAII  
STATE HISTORY MUSEUM.

1           WHEREAS, Hawaii has a rich cultural and historical heritage  
2 that should be shared with as many residents and visitors as  
3 possible; and  
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5           WHEREAS, there are many historical sites and places that  
6 tell the story of a particular group of people or of a  
7 significant place, such as Hawaii's Plantation Village, the  
8 Japanese Cultural Center of Hawaii, the Mission Houses, the  
9 Battleship Missouri, and the Hawaii Maritime Center; and  
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11           WHEREAS, these places of information tell a story from a  
12 specific perspective, each contributing to the diverse history  
13 of Hawaii, much like a single "spoke" that is only a part of  
14 Hawaii's history and culture; and  
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16           WHEREAS, there is no single institution, however, that is a  
17 hub for these spokes, providing a comprehensive perspective on  
18 the history of the various peoples, cultures, and places that  
19 characterize our island home; and  
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21           WHEREAS, a centralized institution from which residents and  
22 visitors could find a connection and direction to the various  
23 "spokes" would further an appreciation for our rich and diverse  
24 communities and be of great benefit; and  
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26           WHEREAS, although the Bernice Pauahi Bishop Museum is  
27 designated the State of Hawaii Museum of Natural and Cultural  
28 History, a new site such as a Hawaii State History Museum could  
29 serve as a centralized gathering point; now, therefore,  
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31           BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-third  
32 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2006, the  
33 House of Representatives concurring, that the Department of Land  
34 and Natural Resources is requested to consult with the Bishop



1 Museum and the Hawaii Museums Association on the feasibility of  
2 creating a Hawaii State History Museum for the benefit of all  
3 residents and visitors of Hawaii; and  
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5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Land and  
6 Natural Resources is requested to submit a report on the  
7 feasibility of creating a Hawaii State History Museum to the  
8 Legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of  
9 the Regular Session of 2007; and  
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11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this  
12 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Chairperson of the  
13 Board of Land and Natural Resources, the President and Chief  
14 Executive Officer of the Bishop Museum, and the President of the  
15 Hawaii Museums Association.

