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# SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

URGING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO DIRECT THE FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION AND THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE TO EXAMINE THE FEASIBILITY OF ENACTING FEDERAL LEGISLATION THAT WOULD PROVIDE MAIL RECIPIENTS THE OPTION OF BEING INCLUDED ON A NATIONAL LIST OF THOSE NOT WISHING TO RECEIVE ANY UNSOLICITED COMMERCIAL MAIL.

1           WHEREAS, safe, secure, high-quality mail delivery is a  
2 critical component of the economy and of modern daily living;  
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5           WHEREAS, our dependence on mail delivery makes us  
6 vulnerable to criminals and other malicious individuals and  
7 businesses who exploit the system by operating mail scams and  
8 bombarding mail recipients with unwanted solicitations,  
9 including sexually-oriented advertising; and  
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11           WHEREAS, some of our most vulnerable citizens, such as  
12 children and the elderly, are the victims and targets of such  
13 illegal or unsavory practices; and  
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15           WHEREAS, the United States Postal Service has addressed  
16 some of these concerns by creating and implementing Form 1500,  
17 which allows mail recipients to apply for placement on a list of  
18 those not wishing to receive sexually-oriented advertisements  
19 through the mail; and  
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21           WHEREAS, Form 1500, though useful, is limited in scope as  
22 it targets sexually-oriented advertisements; and  
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24           WHEREAS, there is a need to expand the scope of such  
25 efforts to include non-sexual advertisements, including  
26 sweepstakes, promotions, and other mail scams; now, therefore,  
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28           BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-third  
29 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2006, the  
30 House of Representatives concurring, that the United States



1 Congress is urged to direct the Federal Trade Commission and the  
2 United States Postal Service to examine the feasibility of  
3 enacting appropriate federal legislation that would provide mail  
4 recipients the option of being included on a national list of  
5 those not wishing to receive any unsolicited commercial mail;  
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8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Hawaii's Congressional  
9 delegation is urged to help lead efforts to direct the  
10 examination of the feasibility of enacting appropriate federal  
11 legislation that would provide mail recipients the option of  
12 being included on a national list of those not wishing to  
13 receive any unsolicited commercial mail; and

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15 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
16 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Majority Leader of  
17 the United States Senate, Speaker of the United States House of  
18 Representatives, and members of Hawaii's Congressional  
19 delegation.

