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# SENATE RESOLUTION

URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO CREATE 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, Japanese  
8 Cultural Center of Hawaii, Mission Houses, Battleship Missouri,  
9 and 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,  
33 that the Department of Land Natural Resources is requested to



1 create a Hawaii State History Museum for the benefit of all  
2 residents and visitors of Hawaii; and  
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4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Land and  
5 Natural Resources is requested to submit a report to the  
6 Legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of  
7 the Regular Session of 2007, including the Department's plan for  
8 the establishment, implementation, operation, and maintenance of  
9 a Hawaii State History Museum; and  
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11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this  
12 Resolution be transmitted to the Chairperson of the Board of  
13 Land and Natural Resources.  
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