
HOUSE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO
DETERMINE WHICH VIOLATIONS REQUIRE THE TIME AND RESOURCES
OF THE DISTRICT COURT FOR ADJUDICATION.

1 WHEREAS, many Hawaii residents enjoy the recreational sport
2 of boating in the waters in and around the State of Hawaii; and
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4 WHEREAS, most of these boaters are law-abiding citizens who
5 follow the laws, rules, and regulations of the State and the
6 Department of Land and Natural Resources; and
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8 WHEREAS, occasionally, some boaters have been cited for a
9 variety of infractions, some of which threatened the safety of
10 property or person, and some which did not; and
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12 WHEREAS, currently, the Hawaii Revised Statutes compels all
13 violators to adjudicate their matters in district court; and
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15 WHEREAS, some of the offenses are not threatening to life
16 or property and could be analogized to traffic parking, sticker
17 violations, or other non-moving violations; and
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19 WHEREAS, while adjudication in district court is desirable
20 for boating offenses that threaten life or property,
21 adjudication in district court for lesser offense which do not
22 threaten life or property does not seem to be a prudent and
23 efficient use of time and resources; now, therefore,
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25 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
26 Twenty-fourth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular
27 Session of 2007, that the Department of Land and Natural
28 Resources is requested to determine which violations require the
29 time and resources of the district court for adjudication and
30 which violations do not require district court adjudication; and
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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that such determinations be drafted
2 into proposed legislation and be submitted to the Legislature no
3 later than 20 days prior to the convening of the Regular Session
4 of 2008; and
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6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
7 Resolution be transmitted to the Chairperson of the Board of
8 Land and Natural Resources.
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