THE SENATE
TWENTY-FOURTH LEGISLATURE, 2007
STATE OF HAWAII

S.C.R. NO. 98 S.D. 1 H.D. 1

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING A SUNRISE REVIEW ON THE REGULATION OF persons who apprehend bail fugitives.

WHEREAS, bail bonding agents, backed by surety insurance companies, make possible the pretrial release of defendants, at no expense to the taxpayers, by providing assurances that people charged with crimes will appear as scheduled to answer those charges; and

WHEREAS, persons who recover and apprehend bail fugitives have very broad common law powers to arrest a person such that some states have enacted laws regulating the conduct of persons who apprehend bail fugitives in order to protect the public against abuses; and

WHEREAS, H.B. No. 3014, H.D. 1, introduced during the Regular Session of 2006, will prohibit some persons from holding themselves out as bail fugitive recovery persons unless registered with the Attorney General; and

WHEREAS, the state Auditor is required pursuant to section 26H-6, Hawaii Revised Statutes, to conduct sunrise reviews of specific measures identified through a concurrent resolution; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-fourth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2007, the House of Representatives concurring, that the state Auditor is respectfully requested to conduct a sunrise review on the regulation of bail agents as contemplated under H.B. No. 3014, H.D. 1, introduced during the Regular Session of 2006; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the state Auditor.