SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE HAWAII PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY TO REPORT ON PROJECT SPENDING.

WHEREAS, on July 1, 2006, the Housing and Community Development Corporation of Hawaii split into two separate agencies, the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development Corporation and the Hawaii Public Housing Authority pursuant to Act 196, Session Laws of Hawaii 2005, and Act 180, Session Laws of Hawaii 2006; and

WHEREAS, the Hawaii Public Housing Authority is responsible for the management of federal and state funds for public housing programs and services; and

WHEREAS, the Hawaii Public Housing Authority is also responsible for various functions related to public housing, including the development and operation of public housing projects and the administration of federal programs, the Public Housing Revolving Fund, homeless assistance, State Rent Supplement Program, and the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher Program; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature believes that all public agencies should be accountable for funds entrusted to them; and

WHEREAS, because of the recent establishment of the Hawaii Public Housing Authority and the various sources of funds it is responsible for, the Legislature finds that it is appropriate to request that the Hawaii Public Housing Authority report on its project spending to ensure proper and effective use and management of funds; 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 Hawaii Public Housing Authority is requested to submit a report of its project spending to the Legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular Session of 2008; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the report should include all project spending for all projects, including new, renovation, or modernization projects, as well as:

(1) A list of all current projects for the development of public housing;

(2) Information with respect to the forty-eight newly developed units at Lanakila Homes in Hilo;

(3) The amount and source of funding for each project;

(4) A list of all contracts executed for each project; and

(5) A timeline for the completion of each project; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Hawaii Public Housing Authority is requested to submit a copy of the report of its project spending to the Auditor no later than twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular Session of 2008, as well; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Interim Executive Director of the Hawaii Public Housing Authority and the Auditor.