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S.C.R. NO. 165

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND
TOURISM'S OFFICE OF PLANNING TO CREATE A COMMISSION TO
IDENTIFY AND PRIORITIZE VALUES AND PROSPECTIVE USES OF
FEDERAL PROPERTIES WHICH MAY BE AVAILABLE FOR TRANSFER TO
THE STATE AT A FUTURE DATE.

1 WHEREAS, in December 2001, the United States Congress
2 authorized a new round of military installation and base
3 realignments and closures to be implemented in 2005; and
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5 WHEREAS, additional rounds of military installation and
6 base realignments and closures will be implemented in the
7 future; and
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9 WHEREAS, the United States Department of Defense is the
10 second major source of revenues to the state, second only to
11 tourism; and
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13 WHEREAS, Hawaii has 37 major military installations on
14 245,485 acres of land; and
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16 WHEREAS, following the closure of the 4,603-acre Barbers
17 Point Naval Air Station in Leeward Oahu and the Navy's official
18 transfer of the property to the state in 1999, many of the
19 civilian projects envisioned by planners for a raceway and for
20 industrial use have not materialized; and
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22 WHEREAS, values and prospective uses of federal properties
23 should be identified and prioritized to prevent underutilization
24 upon transfer to the state, should such a transfer occur at a
25 future date; now, therefore,
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27 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-fourth
28 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2007, the
29 House of Representatives concurring, that the Department of
30 Business, Economic Development and Tourism's Office of Planning
31 is requested to establish a commission to identify and



prioritize values and prospective uses of federal properties that may be transferred to the state at a future date; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the commission be composed of seven members from relevant state agencies and the public; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the commission consult with appropriate federal agencies to identify relevant properties; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the commission is requested to submit a report, including any proposed legislation, no later than twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular Session of 2008; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Department of Business, Economic Development and Tourism and the Office of Planning.

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