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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE JUDICIARY TO REPORT ON THE FEASIBILITY OF CREATING A FIFTH JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SECOND CIRCUIT AND HOLDING SESSIONS ON MOLOKAI UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES.

1 2 2	WHEREAS, the second judicial circuit includes the islands of Maui, Molokai, and Lanai; and
3 4 5	WHEREAS, sessions of the Circuit Court of the second circuit are held at Wailuku, on Maui;
6 7 8	WHEREAS, the island of Molokai has a population of approximately eight thousand residents; and
9 10 11 12	WHEREAS, residents of Molokai must travel to the island of Maui to participate in court proceedings to which they are a party; and
13 14 15 16	WHEREAS, travelling to Maui for court proceedings presents a hardship and a financial burden for many residents of Molokai; now, therefore,
17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24	BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the Twenty-fourth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2008, the Senate concurring, that the Judiciary is requested to report on the feasibility of creating a position for a fifth judge of the Circuit Court of the second circuit and providing for sessions to be held at Kaunakakai on Molokai where one or more parties to a proceeding is a resident of Molokai who
25 26 27 28 29	requests that proceedings be held on Molokai; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Judiciary is requested to submit a report of its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the Legislature no later than



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twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular Session of 1 2 2009; and 3 4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this 5 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Chief Justice of the Hawaii Supreme Court and the Administrative Director of the 6 7 Courts. 8 9 Mele Connael 10 OFFERED BY:

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