
HOUSE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE STATE AND COUNTIES TO COMPILE AN INVENTORY OF
ABANDONED, EXCESS, AND UNDERUTILIZED PROPERTIES UNDER THEIR
RESPECTIVE JURISDICTION.

1 WHEREAS, the state and county governments are landowners or
2 lessees of real properties and buildings that are intended to
3 serve the public purpose; and
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5 WHEREAS, if these properties and buildings are abandoned,
6 unused, underutilized, or otherwise in excess of their
7 respective need, the public purpose is not served; and
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9 WHEREAS, these properties hold the potential for public
10 purpose use to provide government and community services,
11 including housing, early learning centers, and senior services;
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14 WHEREAS, private providers of human services need a
15 location for offices and operations; and
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17 WHEREAS, the lack of affordable land and buildings are
18 critical impediments to providing human services; and
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20 WHEREAS, as a preliminary step to utilizing these
21 properties for a public purpose, these properties need to be
22 identified, including the owner, current status of the property,
23 zoning, and other pertinent information that indicate the
24 suitability for a public use by government or private agencies
25 providing human services; now, therefore,
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27 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
28 Twenty-fourth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular
29 Session of 2008, that the Department of Land and Natural
30 Resources and the planning department of the respective counties
31 are requested to compile a report that lists every property
32 under their respective jurisdiction that are:

33 (1) Land or buildings, or both;
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- 1 (2) Abandoned, underutilized, unused, underutilized, or
- 2 otherwise in excess of their respective needs; and
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- 4 (3) Hold the potential for use to provide human services,
- 5 including but not limited to, housing, early learning
- 6 centers, and senior services; and
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8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that for each such property, the
 9 report include information on the location, tax map key, zoning,
 10 land classification, ownership, current status of use, a
 11 description and pictures of the building, and whether the
 12 property or building, or both, would be suitable for use to
 13 provide human services; and

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 15 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Land and
 16 Natural Resources, Honolulu Department of Planning and
 17 Permitting, Hawaii County Planning Department, Kauai County
 18 Department of Planning, and Maui Department of Planning submit
 19 their respective report to the Legislature (attention to the
 20 Senate Committee on Human Services and Public Housing, and the
 21 House Committee on Human Services and Housing) not later than
 22 twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular Session of
 23 2009; and

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 25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
 26 Resolution be transmitted to the Chairperson of the Board of
 27 Land and Natural Resources; Director of Human Services; Director
 28 of the Honolulu Department of Planning and Permitting; Director
 29 of the Hawaii County Planning Department; Director of the Kauai
 30 County Department of Planning; and the Director of the Maui
 31 Department of Planning.

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