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## HOUSE RESOLUTION

URGING HAWAII'S CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION TO INTRODUCE  
LEGISLATION DETERRING THE TRANSPORTATION OF HOMELESS  
PERSONS TO HAWAII.

1           WHEREAS, there are unique factors surrounding the  
2 homelessness issue given that Hawaii is an island state; and  
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4           WHEREAS, Hawaii has experienced an increase in its homeless  
5 population over the past several years; and  
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7           WHEREAS, current fiscal difficulties likely foreshadow a  
8 continued increase in the homeless population as families face  
9 job losses and housing foreclosures; and  
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11           WHEREAS, a burgeoning homeless population increases the  
12 pressure on already-strained State resources, limiting the  
13 government's ability to adequately provide for those residents  
14 most in need; and  
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16           WHEREAS, it is important to consider long-term solutions to  
17 providing services for those who find themselves and their  
18 families without shelter; and  
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20           WHEREAS, it is every community's responsibility to ensure  
21 the development of an adequate and sustainable housing and  
22 social services infrastructure to support its homeless  
23 population; and  
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25           WHEREAS, homeless persons are more likely to successfully  
26 transition to permanent shelter when able to access support  
27 services near their friends and relatives; and  
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29           WHEREAS, there is evidence that other jurisdictions have  
30 chosen to purge their homeless population by transporting them  
31 to Hawaii; now, therefore,



# H.R. NO. 114

1 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the  
 2 Twenty-fifth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session  
 3 of 2009, that Hawaii's Congressional delegation is urged to  
 4 introduce legislation to deter other jurisdictions from  
 5 transporting homeless persons to Hawaii; and  
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7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
 8 Resolution be transmitted to the Governor and each member of  
 9 Hawaii congressional delegation.  
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