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## HOUSE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING A REVIEW OF THE PERFORMANCE OF THE HAWAII COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY AND TO DETERMINE THE FEASIBILITY OF TRANSFERRING ITS FUNCTIONS BACK TO THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU.

1 WHEREAS, in 1976 the Legislature created the Hawaii  
2 Community Development Authority (HCDA), a state agency, to plan  
3 for and to revitalize areas in need of redevelopment; and  
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5 WHEREAS, the Legislature provided HCDA with the authority  
6 to determine community development programs, cooperate with  
7 private enterprises and the various components of federal,  
8 state, and county governments in bringing plans to fruition, and  
9 conduct comprehensive planning, regulation, and development  
10 activities; and  
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12 WHEREAS, in creating HCDA, the Legislature also designated  
13 the Kakaako area of Honolulu as HCDA's first Community  
14 Development District (District) recognizing its potential for  
15 increased growth and development and its inherent economic  
16 importance to Honolulu; and  
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18 WHEREAS, in 2002, the Legislature assigned redevelopment  
19 responsibility for the Kalaeloa District to HCDA; and  
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21 WHEREAS, the HCDA has adopted a master plan for both  
22 Districts; and  
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24 WHEREAS, prior to the creation of HCDA, the city was  
25 primarily responsible for overseeing the planning, zoning, and  
26 re-development of land within the City and County of Honolulu;  
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29 WHEREAS, this body finds that HCDA is not accomplishing its  
30 mission with respect to the Kakaako and Kalaeloa Districts and  
31 that HCDA's duties and functions are duplicating those duties of  
32 the City and County of Honolulu Department of Planning and



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1 Permitting (DPP) at considerable cost to taxpayers and  
2 additional regulatory burden to landowners; and  
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4 WHEREAS, in light of our current economic situation, this  
5 body finds that consideration should be given to streamlining  
6 government oversight of the Districts by transferring HCDA's  
7 duties to DPP; now, therefore,  
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9 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the  
10 Twenty-fifth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session  
11 of 2009, that the Legislative Reference Bureau (LRB) is  
12 requested to review the performance of HCDA and determine the  
13 feasibility of transferring its functions back to the City and  
14 County of Honolulu; and  
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16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that LRB is requested to submit a  
17 report of its findings and recommendations to the Legislature no  
18 later than twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular  
19 Session of 2010; and  
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21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
22 Resolution be transmitted to the Governor, Mayor of the City and  
23 County of Honolulu, Director of DPP, and Director of LRB.  
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OFFERED BY:

  
BY REQUEST

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