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## HOUSE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO ENCOURAGE EACH  
HOLDER OF A CONCESSION CONTRACT AT A STATE AIRPORT TO GIVE  
FIRST RIGHT OF REFUSAL TO LOCAL VENDORS TO SUPPLY GOODS,  
WARES, MERCHANDISE, AND SERVICES TO THE CONCESSION.

1           WHEREAS, tourism is still Hawaii's main economic engine and  
2 the revenues generated as a result of visitors from around the  
3 world contribute greatly in sustaining Hawaii's businesses; and  
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5           WHEREAS, Honolulu is the gateway to Hawaii and offers  
6 travelers within one city an abundance of opportunities to  
7 explore and experience a state rich in history and diverse in  
8 culture; and  
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10           WHEREAS, it is in the public's interest to promote local  
11 culture at the entry to Hawaii, with the collaboration of state  
12 agencies and local vendors in an effort to emphasize the  
13 significance and presence of local businesses in Hawaii's  
14 communities; and  
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16           WHEREAS, it is also in the public interest to assist local  
17 vendors who supply goods, wares, merchandise, and services to  
18 concessions at Hawaii's airports to the extent that their  
19 continued operation would help to stabilize and strengthen the  
20 State's economy; now, therefore,  
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22           BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the  
23 Twenty-fifth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session  
24 of 2009, that the Department of Transportation is requested to  
25 encourage each holder of a concession contract at a State  
26 airport to give first right of refusal to local vendors to  
27 supply goods, wares, merchandise, and services to the  
28 concession; and  
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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified a copy of this  
2 Resolution be transmitted to the Director of Transportation.  
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OFFERED BY:   
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