HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE, 2010 STATE OF HAWAII

H.C.R. NO. 207

## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE AUDITOR, PURSUANT TO SECTION 26H-6, HAWAII REVISED STATUTES, TO CONDUCT AN ANALYSIS OF THE PRACTICE OF EXCHANGE ACCOMMODATION IN HAWAII.

WHEREAS, section 1031 of the Internal Revenue Code, as 1 amended, allows the tax deferred exchange of real property held 2 for productive or investment purposes; and 3 4 WHEREAS, these transactions may require the transfer of 5 considerable sums of money that cannot be held by the 6 7 transacting parties, lest they lose their tax deferred status; 8 and 9 WHEREAS, in order to address this problem, exchange 10 accommodators provide a temporary receptacle for transferred 11 funds required for the exchange of property; and 12 13 14 WHEREAS, recent news reports highlight the problem of 15 exchange accommodators absconding with millions of dollars of their clients' funds; and 16 17 WHEREAS, exchange accommodators are not regulated in 18 19 Hawaii; and 20 WHEREAS, section 26H-6, Hawaii Revised Statutes, requires 21 22 that any new regulatory measure being considered for enactment that subjects an unregulated profession or vocation to licensing 23 or other regulatory controls be referred to the Auditor for 24 analysis; and 25 26 27 WHEREAS, also pursuant to section 26H-6, Hawaii Revised 28 Statutes, the Auditor is to conduct the analysis with specific regard to H.B. No. , relating to exchange accommodation; now, 29 therefore, 30 31



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BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the 1 Twenty-fifth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session 2 of 2010, the Senate concurring, that pursuant to section 26H-6, 3 Hawaii Revised Statutes, the Auditor is requested to conduct an 4 analysis of the profession of exchange accommodation in Hawaii; 5 6 and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the analysis set forth the 8 probable effects of the proposed regulatory measure and assess 9 whether its enactment is consistent with the policies set forth 10 in section 26H-6, Hawaii Revised Statutes; and 11

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the analysis also assess 13 14 alternative forms of regulation; and 15

16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Auditor. 17

OFFERED BY: NUMINA MONTA

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