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## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING A REPORT AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION FOR THE TRANSFER OF THE MAUNA KEA STATE RECREATION AREA AND THE HAPUNA BEACH STATE RECREATION AREA TO THE COUNTY OF HAWAII.

WHEREAS, the Hapuna Beach State Recreation Area is a 61.8 1 acre area including a beach park, picnic and shelter lodging 2 opportunities, and hiking along a coastal trail; and 3 4 WHEREAS, the Mauna Kea State Recreation Area is a 20.5 acre 5 area with picnic and lodging opportunities at 6,500 foot 6 7 elevation and pig, sheep, and bird hunting; and 8 WHEREAS, the Department of Land and Natural Resources is 9 facing increased fiscal constraints that have resulted in 10 deferred maintenance and infrastructure improvements; and 11 12 WHEREAS, with the economic downturn, the State and counties 13 are interested in finding ways to optimize use of limited 14 financial resources to cooperatively manage recreation sites 15 used by the general public; and 16 17 18 WHEREAS, a cooperative relationship may result in less deferred maintenance, thus preventing major repairs or 19 replacement in the future; and 20 21 WHEREAS, the Department of Land and Natural Resources and 22 the County of Hawaii have expressed a mutual interest in 23 transferring the Mauna Kea State Recreation Area and the Hapuna 24 Beach State Recreation Area to the County of Hawaii; and 25 26 27 WHEREAS, this transfer would allow the Department of Land and Natural Resources to use its limited resources on other 28 29 parks, and may be a model for future cooperation between the State and counties; now, therefore, 30 31



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BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the Twenty-fifth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2010, the Senate concurring, that the Department of Land and Natural Resources and the County of Hawaii are requested to provide a report and supporting documentation for the transfer of the Mauna Kea State Recreation Area and the Hapuna Beach State Recreation Area to the County of Hawaii; and

9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Land and 10 Natural Resources and the County of Hawaii are requested to 11 include with the report:

- (1) A resource management plan, describing how the County
  of Hawaii will provide the financial and
  administrative resources to manage the conservation
  districts, hunting areas, and other resources; and
  - (2) A draft memorandum of understanding between the Department of Land and Natural Resources and the County of Hawaii to delineate the transfer of responsibilities between the government entities; and
- BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County of Hawaii is requested to provide the report with supporting documentation to the Legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of the 2011 Regular Session; and

28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this 29 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Chairperson of the 30 Board of Land and Natural Resources and the Mayor of the County 31 of Hawaii.

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