
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT TO TRANSFER THE MAUNA KEA STATE RECREATION AREA AND THE HAPUNA BEACH STATE RECREATION AREA TO THE COUNTY OF HAWAII.

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



1 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
2 Twenty-fifth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session
3 of 2010, the Senate concurring, that DLNR is requested to enter
4 into an agreement with the County of Hawaii to transfer the
5 title and responsibility for the Mauna Kea State Recreational
6 Area and the Hapuna State Recreational Area to the County of
7 Hawaii; and

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9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County of Hawaii is
10 requested to provide a report to the Legislature on the progress
11 of the transfer, including a resource management plan and the
12 financial and administrative resources the County will provide
13 for the operation and management of the recreational areas no
14 later than 20 days prior to the convening of the Regular Session
15 of 2011; and

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17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
18 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Governor,
19 Chairperson of the Board of Land and Natural Resources and the
20 Mayor of the County of Hawaii.

