HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE, 2010 STATE OF HAWAII H.C.R. NO. 73

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE INSURANCE COMMISSIONER TO CONDUCT A STUDY RELATING TO THE HAWAII PROPERTY INSURANCE ASSOCIATION.

1 WHEREAS, Act 284, session Laws of Hawaii 1991 established 2 the Hawaii Property Insurance Association to expressly provide 3 appropriately priced basic property insurance for owners and 4 occupants of property in high risk areas for major natural 5 disasters; and

7 WHEREAS, the Legislature had found that it was in the best 8 interest of the State to foster stability for people adversely 9 affected by major natural disasters, and that basic property 10 insurance should be made available to them; and

WHEREAS, residents from lava zones 1 and 2 have experienced significant increases in recent years for property insurance premiums charged by the Hawaii Property Insurance Association despite the minimum amount of insurance claims filed with Hawaii Property Insurance Association over the last several years; and 17

18 WHEREAS, these recent increases in insurance premiums
19 charged by the Hawaii Property Insurance Association raise
20 questions as to whether the Hawaii Property Insurance
21 Association is charging appropriately prices basic property
22 insurance as required pursuant to the intent of Act 284, Session
23 Laws of Hawaii 1991; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the 25 Twenty-fifth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session 26 of 2010, the Senate concurring, that the Insurance Commissioner 27 is respectfully requested to conduct a study of the history of 28 the claims experience for the past ten years relating to article 29 21, chapter 431, Hawaii Revised Statutes, dealing with the 30 Hawaii Property Insurance Association and the methodology of the 31 Hawaii Property Insurance Association in setting premiums; and 32



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1 2 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Insurance Commissioner is requested to submit findings and recommendations, including 3 proposed legislation, to the Legislature not later than twenty 4 5 days prior to the convening of the Regular Session of 2011; and 6 7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Insurance 8 9 Commissioner. 10 11 12 OFFERED BY:

Mark Spleishinen

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