
HOUSE RESOLUTION

URGING THE NATIONAL GUARD HAWAII YOUTH CHALLENGE PROGRAM TO
CONSIDER ALTERNATIVE SITES FOR ITS PROGRAM ACTIVITIES ON
THE ISLAND OF HAWAII.

1 WHEREAS, the mission of the National Guard's Hawaii Youth
2 Challenge Program is to "[provide] opportunities to learn life
3 skills needed to be successful, responsible, productive citizens
4 in the community while earning their high school diploma"; and
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6 WHEREAS, the Hawaii Youth Challenge Program accepts youths
7 from sixteen to nineteen years of age who are failing or who
8 have dropped out of school; and
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10 WHEREAS, the program transforms its participants by
11 instilling the values of discipline, integrity, courage, honor,
12 commitment, and duty; and
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14 WHEREAS, the Governor plans to close the Kulani
15 Correctional Facility on the island of Hawaii to address the
16 State's growing budget deficit; and
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18 WHEREAS, the Department of Public Safety and the Department
19 of Defense plan to use the Kulani Correctional Facility on the
20 island of Hawaii as a Hawaii Youth Challenge facility; and
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22 WHEREAS, while the National Guard's Hawaii Youth Challenge
23 Program is changing the lives of many youths in the State, there
24 are other locations that could be used for the Hawaii Youth
25 Challenge Program that do not have the same type of significance
26 to the State's public safety as the Kulani Correctional
27 Facility; now, therefore,
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29 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
30 Twenty-fifth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session
31 of 2010, that this body urges the Department of Public Safety
32 and the Department of Defense to consider alternative locations
33 for the National Guard Hawaii Youth Challenge Program including:
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- (1) The old Keaau National Guard facility; or
- (2) The Keaukaha military reservation near the Hilo airport; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the Governor, the Adjutant General, the Director of Public Safety, and the Director of the National Guard Hawaii Youth Challenge Program.

OFFERED BY: *Raymond H. ...*

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