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# SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

URGING THE STATE OF HAWAII TO IDENTIFY AND APPROPRIATE PERMANENT  
FUNDING FOR THE HAWAII STATE ENERGY OFFICE.

1           WHEREAS, the Hawaii State Energy Office within the  
2 Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism has  
3 duties prescribed by law and provides services essential to the  
4 welfare of Hawaii's people and economy; and  
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6           WHEREAS, the Hawaii State Energy Office is the lead state  
7 agency responsible for implementing the Hawaii Clean Energy  
8 Initiative, which has introduced funding and technical resources  
9 to Hawaii to achieve energy independence from imported fossil  
10 fuels; and  
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12           WHEREAS, to adequately execute all the duties and  
13 responsibilities of the office, including its several branches,  
14 the Hawaii State Energy Office should have adequate funding and  
15 staffing; and  
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17           WHEREAS, the Hawaii State Energy Office is currently  
18 completely funded by the federal Petroleum Violation Fund and  
19 American Recovery and Reinvestment Act moneys that will expire  
20 by the end of the next fiscal year; and  
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22           WHEREAS, for energy system requirements to be met and  
23 federal participation in the Hawaii Clean Energy Initiative to  
24 continue, the Hawaii State Energy Office will require dedicated  
25 state funding; now, therefore,  
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27           BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-fifth  
28 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2010, the  
29 House of Representatives concurring, that the State of Hawaii is  
30 urged to provide permanent staff and funding required by the  
31 Hawaii State Energy Office to fulfill its duties; and

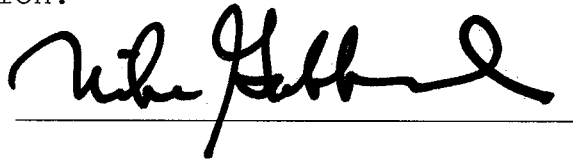


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2 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the State of Hawaii is urged to  
3 identify a permanent source of funding for the Hawaii State  
4 Energy Office; and

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6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
7 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Governor; Director  
8 of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism; Director of  
9 Finance; and the Director of Taxation.

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