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SENATE 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.

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 is
10 facing increased fiscal constraints that have resulted in
11 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, the Department of Land and Natural Resources and
23 the County of Hawaii have expressed a mutual interest in
24 transferring the Mauna Kea State Recreation Area and the Hapuna
25 Beach State Recreation Area to the County of Hawaii; and
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27 WHEREAS, this transfer would allow the Department of Land
28 and Natural Resources to use its limited resources on other
29 parks, and may be a model for future cooperation between the
30 State and counties; now, therefore,
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1 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-fifth
 2 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2010, the
 3 House of Representatives concurring, that the Department of Land
 4 and Natural Resources and the County of Hawaii are requested to
 5 provide a report and supporting documentation for the transfer
 6 of the Mauna Kea State Recreation Area and the Hapuna Beach
 7 State Recreation Area to the County of Hawaii; and

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 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:

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 13 (1) A resource management plan, describing how the County
 14 of Hawaii will provide the financial and
 15 administrative resources to manage the conservation
 16 districts, hunting areas, and other resources; and

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 18 (2) A draft memorandum of understanding between the
 19 Department of Land and Natural Resources and the
 20 County of Hawaii to delineate the transfer of
 21 responsibilities between the government entities; and

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 23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the County of Hawaii is
 24 requested to provide the report with supporting documentation to
 25 the Legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening
 26 of the 2011 Regular Session; and

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 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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