
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE HAWAII PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITY TO CARRY OUT ITS
RESPONSIBILITIES UNDER SECTION 5 OF ACT 178, SESSION LAWS
OF HAWAII 2006.

1 WHEREAS, the Hawaii Public Housing Authority was
2 established to provide affordable housing and shelter to Hawaii
3 residents without discrimination; and
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5 WHEREAS, only with accurate and complete reporting and
6 accounting can the Hawaii Public Housing Authority effectively
7 carry out its mission and its responsibilities to other
8 departments and agencies; and
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10 WHEREAS, Act 178, Session Laws of Hawaii 2006 (Act 178),
11 was enacted in part to identify revenue-generating public trust
12 lands and the amounts derived from those lands by requiring the
13 Department of Land and Natural Resources, with the cooperation
14 of the Department of Budget and Finance and any other state
15 department or agency that uses or manages public lands, to
16 annually provide an accounting of all receipts from lands
17 described in section 5(f) of the Admission Act for the prior
18 fiscal year; and
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20 WHEREAS, under section 5, the annual accounting must
21 contain specific information with respect to each receipt, for
22 example the total gross amount, the amount transferred to the
23 Office of Hawaiian Affairs, and the parcel of land that
24 generated the receipt; and
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26 WHEREAS, although the Hawaii Public Housing Authority is
27 subject to Act 178, the Department of Land and Natural Resources
28 has not received a revenue report from the Hawaii Public Housing
29 Authority for fiscal years 2006-2007 and 2007-2008, and reported
30 to the Legislature in 2008, that:
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1 *"According to its [Hawaii Public Housing*
2 *Authority's] Fiscal Office, the accounting system has*
3 *been unreliable for the last several years, and is not*
4 *capable of producing an accurate report. They are in*
5 *the process of reconstructing their books from*
6 *scratch";*

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10 WHEREAS, it is unclear whether the Hawaii Public Housing
11 Authority has completed this process or has ever submitted a
12 completed revenue report to the Department of Land and Natural
13 Resources; and

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15 WHEREAS, the lack of readily-available and accurate
16 information on the Hawaii Public Housing Authority's revenues
17 and the resulting negative impact on the State's full compliance
18 with Act 178, raises serious concerns; now, therefore,

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20 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
21 Twenty-sixth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session
22 of 2011, the Senate concurring, that the Hawaii Public Housing
23 Authority is requested to carry out its accounting and reporting
24 responsibilities under Section 5 of Act 178, Session Laws of
25 Hawaii 2006; and

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27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Hawaii Public Housing
28 Authority is requested to submit a report of its progress in
29 carrying out these responsibilities to the Legislature no later
30 than 20 days prior to the convening of the Regular Session of
31 2012; and

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33 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
34 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Auditor, Director of
35 Land and Natural Resources, Board of Directors of the Hawaii
36 Public Housing Authority, and Chairperson of the Board of
37 Trustees of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs.

