
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND
TOURISM, WITH INPUT FROM THE OFFICE OF HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS, TO
EXAMINE THE FEASIBILITY OF JOINTLY ESTABLISHING A NATIVE
HAWAIIAN RESEARCH, SCIENCE, AND TECHNOLOGY PARK.

1 WHEREAS, Hawaii's technology-related industries have shown
2 strong growth and potential for expansion; and

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4 WHEREAS, the development of a research, science, and
5 technology park can be an important step in creating and
6 sustaining a vibrant high-technology industry in the State; and

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8 WHEREAS, there are a number of Native Hawaiian
9 entrepreneurs who have the desire but lack the resources to
10 develop projects in the research, science, and technology
11 fields; and

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13 WHEREAS, a Native Hawaiian research, science, and
14 technology park could be crucial for preparing Native Hawaiian
15 entrepreneurs to adequately deal with inevitable business start-
16 up challenges by providing invaluable resources and professional
17 expertise; now, therefore,

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19 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
20 Twenty-sixth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session
21 of 2011, the Senate concurring, that the Department of Business,
22 Economic Development, and Tourism, with input from the Office of
23 Hawaiian Affairs, is requested to examine the feasibility of
24 establishing, with the assistance of Native Hawaiian business
25 organizations, a Native Hawaiian research, science, and
26 technology park that will serve as an incubator and resource
27 center for Native Hawaiian entrepreneurs; provided that funding
28 for this examination is provided by the Native Hawaiian
29 Advancement Act; and



1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Business,
2 Economic Development, and Tourism is requested to consider the
3 feasibility of:

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- 5 (1) Identifying and seeking the assistance of Native
6 Hawaiian business organizations with the potential or
7 willingness to participate in the development of a
8 Native Hawaiian research, science, and technology
9 park;
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- 11 (2) Establishing a loan program for Native Hawaiian
12 entrepreneurs to locate and conduct operations in
13 Hawaii;
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- 15 (3) Issuing revenue bonds to assist in the financing of
16 the costs of projects developed by Native Hawaiian
17 entrepreneurs and related to research, science, and
18 technology;
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- 20 (4) Entering into long-term leases with Native Hawaiian
21 entrepreneurs for the siting and development of
22 research, science, and technology projects; and
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- 24 (5) Promoting conferences, symposia, seminars, and
25 institutes in research, science, and technology;

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29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Business,
30 Economic Development, and Tourism is requested to identify
31 qualified personnel to administer and effectuate the objectives
32 of the Native Hawaiian research, science, and technology park;
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36 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Business,
37 Economic Development, and Tourism is requested to report to the
38 Legislature its findings and recommendations, including any
39 proposed legislation, no later than 20 days prior to the
40 convening of the Regular Session of 2012; and



1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
2 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Director of
3 Business, Economic Development, and Tourism and the Chairperson
4 of the Board of Trustees of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs.

