
HOUSE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES AND THE COUNTY OF KAUAI TO WORK TOGETHER TO CREATE UNIFORM RULES AND ORDINANCES REGULATING THE OPERATION OF MOTOR VEHICLES ON KAUAI'S BEACHES.

1 WHEREAS, throughout the State, beaches are controlled and
2 managed by different state and county agencies with conflicting
3 rules and ordinances regulating the operation of motor vehicles
4 on beaches; and

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6 WHEREAS, on Kauai, where there are long, contiguous
7 stretches of beach, it is particularly important for the State
8 and county to establish consistent rules and ordinances for
9 operating motorized vehicles on the beach; and

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11 WHEREAS, it is difficult for both beachgoers and government
12 agencies to determine where the boundaries of the beaches
13 intersect, making enforcement of motor vehicle violations on
14 beaches particularly challenging; and

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16 WHEREAS, additionally, there are a minimum of four
17 government entities with differing rules for the operation of
18 motor vehicles on beaches, including the County of Kauai and the
19 Department of Land and Natural Resources' Land Division, State
20 Parks Division, and Division of Forestry and Wildlife; and

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22 WHEREAS, each of the government entities has a different
23 definition for the term "motor vehicle", making it especially
24 difficult for residents or visitors to determine if they are
25 violating a rule or ordinance concerning the operation of a
26 motor vehicle on a Kauai beach; and

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28 WHEREAS, consistency between county ordinances and
29 Department of Land and Natural Resources administrative rules
30 relating to the operation of motor vehicles on beaches would



1 provide individuals with uniform information relating to which
2 types of vehicles are prohibited or allowed on Kauai's beaches;
3 now, therefore,
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5 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
6 Twenty-sixth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session
7 of 2011, that the Department of Land and Natural Resources and
8 the County of Kauai are requested to work together to create
9 uniform and consistent rules and ordinances regulating the
10 operation of motor vehicles on Kauai's beaches; and
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12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Land and
13 Natural Resources and the County of Kauai are requested to work
14 together to revise their respective rules and ordinances to
15 include a uniform definition for the term "motor vehicle"; and
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17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Land and
18 Natural Resources and County of Kauai jointly submit a report to
19 the Legislature not later than twenty days prior to the
20 convening of the 2012 Regular Session on the actions taken
21 pursuant to this Resolution; and
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23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
24 Resolution be transmitted to the Chairperson of the Board of
25 Land and Natural Resources, the Mayor of the County of Kauai,
26 and the Members of the Kauai County Council.
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OFFERED BY: _____



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