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# SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

ENCOURAGING THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES TO CONSIDER  
IMPLEMENTING THE MY SAFE DRAWER COMPUTER APPLICATION FOR  
FOSTER YOUTH WHO ARE TRANSITIONING OUT OF THE FOSTER CARE  
SYSTEM.

1           WHEREAS, the transition from foster care to adulthood is a  
2 very difficult path for many former foster care individuals; and  
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4           WHEREAS, former foster youth frequently leave foster care  
5 with little more than paper copies of essential personal  
6 information; and  
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8           WHEREAS, former foster youth may not have a permanent  
9 living arrangement established and may move from house to house,  
10 and in this process may lose their vital documents; and  
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12           WHEREAS, losing vital documents may present obstacles to  
13 former foster youth when applying for a job, completing an  
14 application to college, or receiving medical care; and  
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16           WHEREAS, to address this challenge, CGI, a leading  
17 information technology and business process services provider,  
18 developed My Safe Drawer; and  
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20           WHEREAS, My Safe Drawer is a secure, password-protected,  
21 web-based application that can be accessed from any computer;  
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24           WHEREAS, My Safe Drawer houses a foster youth's health and  
25 education information and personal and professional contacts,  
26 and allows for the upload and storage of personal documents such  
27 as a copy of a birth certificate, social security card, and  
28 resume; and  
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1 WHEREAS, CGI is seeking a partnership with a state  
2 department that would be interested in implementing My Safe  
3 Drawer on a statewide basis; and  
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5 WHEREAS, the Department of Human Services is the state  
6 department that provides independent living services to assist  
7 and support foster youth with their transition from foster care  
8 to adult self-sufficiency; now, therefore,  
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10 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-sixth  
11 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2011, the  
12 House of Representatives concurring, that the Department of  
13 Human Services is encouraged to consider partnering with CGI  
14 to implement My Safe Drawer throughout the State's foster care  
15 system as a means to assist and support foster youth with their  
16 successful transition out of foster care; and  
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18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
19 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Director of Human  
20 Services, Executive Director of Mental Health America of Hawai'i,  
21 and members of the Hawaii Transition Age Youth Task Force.  
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