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S.R. NO. 26

SENATE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL TO ESTABLISH A
TASK FORCE TO REVIEW THE LEGAL, TAX, AND ECONOMIC
RAMIFICATIONS OF THE STATE DISCONTINUING TO LICENSE
MARRIAGE.

1 WHEREAS, the federal and state governments recognize and
2 regulate certain interpersonal relationships; and
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4 WHEREAS, the federal and state governments continue to
5 discuss the creation of new legal interpersonal relationships;
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8 WHEREAS, conversations surrounding the creation of new
9 legal interpersonal relationships often focus on what the
10 government's role should be regarding the recognition,
11 regulation, and providing incentives for interpersonal
12 relationships; and
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14 WHEREAS, some organizations and scholars recommend that
15 state governments cease to license marriage relationships; now,
16 therefore,
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18 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-sixth
19 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2011,
20 that the Department of the Attorney General is requested to
21 establish a Marriage License Task Force to review the legal,
22 tax, and economic ramifications of the State discontinuing to
23 license marriage; and
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25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature requests that
26 the Task Force consist of the following five members, or their
27 designees:
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29 (1) The Attorney General;

30 (2) The Director of Taxation;

31 (3) The Director of Business, Economic Development, and
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(4) The Executive Director of the University of Hawaii Economic Research Organization; and

(5) The Director of Health; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Attorney General or the Attorney General's designee is requested to serve as chairperson of the Task Force; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Task Force is requested to submit findings, recommendations, and proposed legislation to the Legislature not later than twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular Session of 2012; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Task Force cease to exist on June 30, 2012; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the Attorney General, the Director of Taxation, the Director of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism, the President and the Chairperson of the Board of Regents of the University of Hawaii, the Executive Director of the University of Hawaii Economic Research Organization, and the Director of Health.

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