
HOUSE RESOLUTION

URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND
TOURISM TO ESTABLISH OPPORTUNITIES TO DEVELOP AND FOSTER
INTERNATIONAL RELATIONSHIPS.

1 WHEREAS, the State of Hawaii is actively seeking to expand
2 its international ties and has an abiding interest in
3 developing and fostering goodwill, friendship, and economic
4 relations between the people of Hawaii and the international
5 community; and
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7 WHEREAS, exciting opportunities exist to promote global
8 connectivity to proliferate meaningful and mutually rewarding
9 international friendships, understanding between cultures,
10 economic and social vitality, scientific and technological
11 advancement, and enhanced regional security for the expansion
12 and diversity of Hawaii's economy; and
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14 WHEREAS, showcasing Hawaii's unique culture and beautiful
15 natural environment to the international community would provide
16 economic stimulus to Hawaii through its visitor industry, with
17 the prospect of future growth; and
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19 WHEREAS, the Hawaii Sister-State Committee under the
20 Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism
21 currently advises the Governor and the Legislature on matters
22 relating to sister-state or province relations and relations in
23 general between the State of Hawaii and the states, provinces,
24 or prefectures of foreign countries; now, therefore,
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26 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
27 Twenty-sixth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session
28 of 2011, that the Department of Business, Economic Development,
29 and Tourism is urged to establish opportunities to develop and
30 foster international relationships, both official and personal,



1 between the State of Hawaii and the international community,
2 including:

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- 4 (1) Developing, planning, and coordinating opportunities
- 5 for the State, counties, business community, and other
- 6 interested groups or individuals; and
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- 8 (2) Exploring opportunities to showcase Hawaii's arts,
- 9 historic properties, and other items and places of
- 10 cultural significance to the international community;

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14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Business,
15 Economic Development, and Tourism, in fulfilling its
16 responsibilities, is urged to consult, cooperate with, and seek
17 advice from any appropriate agency; and

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19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Business,
20 Economic Development, and Tourism is requested to submit a
21 report of its activities, findings, and recommendations to the
22 Legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the
23 Regular Session of 2012; and

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25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
26 Resolution be transmitted to the Governor, Director of Business,
27 Economic Development, and Tourism, and members of the Hawaii
28 Sister-State Committee.

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