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# HOUSE 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, that the Department of Business, Economic Development,  
22 and Tourism, with input from the Office of Hawaiian Affairs, is  
23 requested to examine the feasibility of establishing, with the  
24 assistance of Native Hawaiian business organizations, a Native  
25 Hawaiian research, science, and technology park that will serve  
26 as an incubator and resource center for Native Hawaiian  
27 entrepreneurs; provided that funding for this examination is  
28 provided by the Native Hawaiian 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 Resolution be transmitted to the Director of Business, Economic  
3 Development, and Tourism and the Chairperson of the Board of  
4 Trustees of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs.

