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## HOUSE RESOLUTION

URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL TO ESTABLISH A WORKING GROUP TO REVIEW LEGISLATION TO IDENTIFY OBSOLETE PROVISIONS AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO ADDRESS OBSOLETE PROVISIONS.

1 WHEREAS, the Hawaii Revised Statutes are a cumulative  
2 compilation of legislation enacted in the original legislative  
3 session convened in 1959, through the most recent legislative  
4 session ending in 2010; and

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6 WHEREAS, while each new session the legislature considers  
7 repealing and amending out-of-date provisions of the Hawaii  
8 Revised Statutes, the focus must be on enacting and amending  
9 provisions to respond to the current needs of the state, and  
10 obsolete legislation often remains in the Hawaii Revised  
11 Statutes past its application or relevance; and

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13 WHEREAS, the legislature's resources are consumed by the  
14 comprehensive duties of prospective lawmaking and responding to  
15 the immediate concerns and needs of constituents; and

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17 WHEREAS, obsolete legislation:

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19 (1) Reduces the efficient and the streamlined application  
20 of Hawaii law;  
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22 (2) May confuse the public and threaten confidence in the  
23 legislature; and  
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25 (3) May conflict with newer laws;

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27 now, therefore,

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29 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the  
30 Twenty-sixth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session



1 of 2011, that the Department of the Attorney General is urged to  
2 establish a working group to:

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4 (1) Review the Hawaii Revised Statutes and identify  
5 obsolete legislation; and  
6 (2) Report to the legislature no later than 20 days prior  
7 to the convening of the 2012 Regular Session, with  
8 recommendations regarding the obsolete provisions  
9 identified; and  
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11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
12 Resolution be transmitted to the Attorney General.  
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OFFERED BY: \_\_\_\_\_

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