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# SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THAT THE AUDITOR CONDUCT A FINANCIAL AND PERFORMANCE  
AUDIT OF THE HAWAII LIVESTOCK COOPERATIVE BEFORE THAT  
ENTITY BECOMES ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE STATE FUNDS.

1           WHEREAS, the majority of the beef consumed in Hawaii is  
2 imported, even though cattle are raised in every county in the  
3 State; and  
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5           WHEREAS, the continued operation of a slaughterhouse within  
6 the State will contribute to the viability of Hawaii's beef  
7 industry and the continued pursuit of diversified agriculture  
8 and food self-sufficiency; and  
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10           WHEREAS, the continued and sustainable operation of the  
11 Hawaii Livestock Cooperative, the only slaughterhouse on the  
12 State's most populous island, may only be possible through  
13 significant state assistance with investment in modern  
14 equipment, expansion of available stock animals, and development  
15 and marketing of new products; and  
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17           WHEREAS, fairness to all state residents demands prudence  
18 and caution when investing taxpayer money in any enterprise;  
19 now, therefore,  
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21           BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-sixth  
22 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2011, the  
23 House of Representatives concurring, that the Auditor is  
24 requested to conduct a financial and performance audit of the  
25 Hawaii Livestock Cooperative before that entity becomes eligible  
26 to receive state funds in the form of appropriations, loans,  
27 grants in aid, or purchases; and  
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29           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that no state monies be distributed  
30 to Hawaii Livestock Cooperative in the form of appropriations,  
31 loans, grants in aid, or purchases unless the Auditor has  
32 conducted a financial and performance audit of the Hawaii



1 Livestock Cooperative or unless a standing or special committee  
2 of the Senate has conducted an informational briefing on the  
3 financial and operational state of Hawaii Livestock Cooperative  
4 and has received sufficient assurance of the viability of  
5 operations of that facility; and  
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7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
8 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Chairperson of the  
9 Board of Agriculture, Chair of the Senate Committee on  
10 Agriculture, and Hawaii Livestock Cooperative.  
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OFFERED BY:

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