
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

AFFIRMING THE LEGISLATURE'S SUPPORT OF THE FEDERAL AVIATION
ADMINISTRATION'S CURRENT RULES AND SAFETY GUIDELINES
RELATING TO UNMANNED AIRCRAFT.

1 WHEREAS, the United States air transportation system is the
2 safest, most efficient, and largest in the world; and

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4 WHEREAS, aviation in Hawaii plays a critical role in the
5 economy, supporting tourism, and bringing family and friends
6 together across the State; and

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8 WHEREAS, the Federal Aviation Administration continues to
9 protect the physical safety of the national airspace, including
10 protection of individuals on the ground; and

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12 WHEREAS, due to safety concerns, the Federal Aviation
13 Administration continues to limit and attach strict conditions
14 on the use of domestic unmanned aerial vehicles, commonly known
15 as drones; and

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17 WHEREAS, the Federal Aviation Administration is under
18 strong industry and congressional pressure to pave the way for
19 domestic deployment of drone aircraft; and

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21 WHEREAS, many common uses of drone aircraft, including
22 search and rescue, fighting wildfires, and conducting dangerous
23 tactical police operations, are beneficial; and

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25 WHEREAS, however, drone aircraft equipped with cameras
26 raises the prospect of a significant new avenue for the
27 surveillance of American life; and

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29 WHEREAS, citizens need a system of rules to ensure that the
30 citizens of the United States can enjoy the benefits of drone
31 technology, without bringing the populace a large step closer to



1 a surveillance society in which every move is monitored,
2 tracked, recorded, and scrutinized by those in possession of
3 drone technology; and
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5 WHEREAS, the increased use of potentially unsafe
6 technologies without significant oversight and regulation by the
7 Federal Aviation Administration would create an unneeded
8 hardship on all of Hawaii's residents and visitors; now,
9 therefore,
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11 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
12 Twenty-sixth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session
13 of 2012, the Senate concurring, that the Legislature affirms its
14 support of the Federal Aviation Administration's current rules
15 and safety guidelines relating to unmanned aircraft operations;
16 and
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18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
19 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Acting Administrator
20 of the Federal Aviation Administration, Hawaii's congressional
21 delegation, the Governor, the Majority Leader of the United
22 States Senate, and the Speaker of the United States House of
23 Representatives.
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