
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE AUDITOR TO CONDUCT A SUNRISE REVIEW OF THE
REGULATION OF AIR CONDITIONING PIPEFITTERS, FIRE SPRINKLER
TECHNICIANS, AND SOLAR TECHNICIANS.

1 WHEREAS, House Bill No. (2012) proposes to regulate air
2 conditioning pipefitters, fire sprinkler technicians, and solar
3 technicians; and

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5 WHEREAS, the Legislature finds that air conditioning
6 pipefitters, fire sprinkler technicians, and solar technicians
7 are not required to have any type of certification or license to
8 practice the occupations; and

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10 WHEREAS, the rise in demand for more efficient energy
11 systems has resulted in the increasing popularity and need for
12 the occupations of air conditioning pipefitters, fire sprinkler
13 technicians, and solar technicians; and

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15 WHEREAS, the Legislature finds that the average citizen
16 lacks the necessary knowledge or experience to determine whether
17 the work of an air conditioning pipefitter, fire sprinkler
18 technician, or solar technician is competent and safe; and

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20 WHEREAS, the Legislature finds that regulation of air
21 conditioning pipefitters, fire sprinkler technicians, and solar
22 technicians is necessary to ensure the safety and well-being of
23 the citizens of this State; and

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25 WHEREAS, House Bill No. (2012) requires air conditioning
26 pipefitters, fire sprinkler technicians, and solar technicians
27 to be licensed by the Department of Commerce and Consumer
28 Affairs; and

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30 WHEREAS, House Bill No. (2012) would establish provisions
31 designed to prevent unscrupulous and unqualified persons acting



1 as air conditioning pipefitters, fire sprinkler technicians, and
2 solar technicians from taking undue advantage of customers; and
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4 WHEREAS, section 26H-6, Hawaii Revised Statutes, requires
5 the Auditor to review proposals to regulate professions,
6 vocations, or occupations that are currently unregulated and to
7 assess alternative forms of regulation; now, therefore,
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9 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
10 Twenty-sixth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session
11 of 2012, the Senate concurring, that the Auditor is requested to
12 conduct a sunrise review of the regulation of air conditioning
13 pipefitters, fire sprinkler technicians, and solar technicians
14 as proposed under House Bill No. , including an assessment of
15 alternative forms of regulation, pursuant to section 26H-6,
16 Hawaii Revised Statutes; and
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18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Auditor is requested to
19 submit findings, recommendations, and any proposed legislation
20 to the Legislature no later than twenty days prior to the
21 convening of the Regular Session of 2013; and
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23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
24 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Auditor and the
25 Director of Commerce and Consumer Affairs.
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OFFERED BY:

Calvin Y. King
(By Request)

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