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# HOUSE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING A REPORT OF ALL STATE DEPARTMENT EXPENDITURES  
RELATING TO ENERGY CONSERVATION CONTRACTS AND POWER  
PURCHASE AGREEMENTS.

1           WHEREAS, the various state departments expend large amounts  
2 of monies each year on the maintenance of facilities and  
3 equipment; and  
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5           WHEREAS, maintenance contracts help keep major building  
6 facilities working consistently to avoid disruptions and to  
7 ensure safe and secure work places; and  
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9           WHEREAS, keeping business equipment properly serviced  
10 maximizes the useful life of the equipment and reduces  
11 unexpected interruptions to work productivity; and  
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13           WHEREAS, the annual cost of maintenance agreements  
14 throughout all agencies and departments of the State of Hawaii  
15 is a substantial sum of money;  
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17           WHEREAS, the University of Hawaii, the Department of  
18 Transportation, the Department of Accounting and General  
19 Services, and the Department of Education utilize power purchase  
20 agreements that most affect the State; and  
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22           WHEREAS, it may be financially beneficial for the State of  
23 Hawaii to self-insure some or all of these maintenance costs;  
24 now, therefore,  
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26           BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the  
27 Twenty-sixth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session  
28 of 2012, that each of the various state departments are  
29 requested to report to the Legislature through the Department of  
30 Budget and Finance on their energy conservation contracts and  
31 power purchase agreements; and  
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33           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the University of Hawaii, the  
34 Department of Transportation, the Department of Accounting and



1 General Services, and the Department of Education are requested  
2 to provide a detailed analysis to the Legislature through the  
3 Department of Budget and Finance on their power purchase  
4 agreements; and

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6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature further  
7 requests that the reports also consider the following:

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9 (1) Whether these contracts serve their intended purposes  
10 to promote energy and resource conservation, while  
11 meeting the departments' needs;

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13 (2) The adequacy of the financing of the energy  
14 conservation contracts and power purchase agreements;

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16 (3) Lower cost alternatives which can potentially save  
17 state funds (i.e. purchasing energy efficient  
18 electronic equipment);

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20 (4) Assessment from each department on the recordation,  
21 reporting, and record-keeping processes for all such  
22 expenses; and

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24 (5) Summary recommendations from the State's Chief  
25 Information Officer (CIO) on what technology  
26 accommodations can better ensure accurate and  
27 efficient record keeping as well as reporting and  
28 analysis for such expenses; and

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30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the various state agencies work  
31 in collaboration with the Department of Budget and Finance in  
32 preparing the report; and

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34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Budget and  
35 Finance is requested to submit its findings and recommendations  
36 to the Legislature no later than 20 days prior to the convening  
37 of the Regular Session of 2013; and

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39 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
40 Resolution be transmitted to the Governor and the Director of  
41 Finance.

