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# SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE BOARD OF EDUCATION AND STATE LIBRARIAN TO DEVELOP  
A STRATEGIC PLAN TO OPTIMIZE THE USE OF STATE PUBLIC  
LIBRARY FACILITIES.

1           WHEREAS, a strong public library system contributes to the  
2 economic, educational, and cultural vitality of the State; and  
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4           WHEREAS, to ensure vital resources are accessible and  
5 available when people need them, the Hawaii State Public Library  
6 System needs to explore the possibility of creating additional  
7 sources of funding to help support its ongoing operations; and  
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9           WHEREAS, there are fifty branches in the Hawaii State  
10 Public Library System; and  
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12           WHEREAS, while the Hawaii State Public Library System hosts  
13 programs such as preschool storytimes, storytelling events,  
14 author talks, and informational seminars at its facilities,  
15 there is the potential to further maximize the use of library  
16 facilities; and  
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18           WHEREAS, allowing for greater and more diversified types of  
19 uses of library facilities may provide the Hawaii State Public  
20 Library System with additional sources of funding; now,  
21 therefore,  
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23           BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-sixth  
24 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2012, the  
25 House of Representatives concurring, that the Board of Education  
26 and State Librarian are requested to develop a strategic plan to  
27 optimize the use of state public library facilities; and  
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29           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in creating a strategic plan,  
30 the Board of Education and State Librarian are requested to:  
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- 1           (1) Examine the potential to use state public library
- 2           facilities for entrepreneurial purposes and any other
- 3           uses that can generate funds to support the Hawaii
- 4           State Public Library System;
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- 6           (2) Examine the potential use of state library facilities
- 7           by other state agencies and programs; and
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- 9           (3) Consider the feasibility of having all library
- 10          branches be open to the public on Saturdays; and
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12           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Education and  
13 State Librarian report their findings and recommendations,  
14 including any proposed legislation, to the Legislature no later  
15 than twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular Session  
16 of 2013; and

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18           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
19 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Chairperson of the  
20 Board of Education, State Librarian, Superintendent of  
21 Education, and Comptroller.

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OFFERED BY:

  
  


