
HOUSE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A TASK FORCE TO INVESTIGATE THE
FERAL CAT INFESTATION AT THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII AT MANOA.

1 WHEREAS, the University of Hawaii bears the responsibility
2 of providing a safe, clean, and welcoming environment to the
3 university community; and
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5 WHEREAS, students and faculty should not be subjected to
6 the health risks posed by the feral cats that populate the
7 University of Hawaii at Manoa campus; and
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9 WHEREAS, it is evident that the feral cat population at the
10 Manoa campus continues to expand; and
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12 WHEREAS, the removal of feral cats would produce a safer
13 learning environment at the Manoa campus and significantly
14 reduce associated health risks; and
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16 WHEREAS, a plan of action is necessary to remove the feral
17 cat infestation at the Manoa campus, prevent the transmission of
18 serious diseases to humans, and avoid potential liability for
19 the University of Hawaii; now, therefore,
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21 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
22 Twenty-seventh Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular
23 Session of 2013, that the University of Hawaii, in conjunction
24 with the Department of Health, is requested to establish a task
25 force to:

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- 27 (1) Investigate the causes of the feral cat infestation at
28 the University of Hawaii at Manoa; and
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 - 30 (2) Develop a plan of action to abate the feral cat
31 infestation at the Manoa campus; and
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33 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the University of Hawaii is
34 requested to invite the following parties to serve on the task
35 force:



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- 2 (1) Two representatives from the University of Hawaii, to
- 3 be selected by the Chancellor of the University of
- 4 Hawaii at Manoa;
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- 6 (2) Two representatives from the Department of Health;
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- 8 (3) One representative from the Associated Students of the
- 9 University of Hawaii; and
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- 11 (4) One representative from the Hawaiian Humane Society in
- 12 Honolulu; and
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14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force is requested to
 15 submit a written report of its findings and recommendations,
 16 including any proposed legislation, to the Legislature no later
 17 than July 31, 2014, for the Legislature's consideration during
 18 the 2015 Regular Session; and

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 20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
 21 Resolution be transmitted to the Chairperson of the Board of
 22 Regents of the University of Hawaii, the President of the
 23 University of Hawaii System, the Chancellor of the University of
 24 Hawaii at Manoa, the Director of Health, the President of the
 25 Associated Students of the University of Hawaii, and the
 26 Chairperson of the Board of Directors of the Hawaiian Humane
 27 Society.

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