
HOUSE RESOLUTION

CONCERNING PERMISSION OF RAFFLES AS A MEANS OF FUNDRAISING FOR
CHARITABLE ORGANIZATIONS.

1 WHEREAS, charitable organizations provide important social
2 services and valuable resources to persons in need including
3 services and resources that the State may otherwise be required
4 to provide; and

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6 WHEREAS, charitable organizations often lack adequate
7 funding to function effectively and to provide the services
8 requested of them; and

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10 WHEREAS, selling tickets and conducting raffles is often an
11 effective and easily implemented way to fundraise; and

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13 WHEREAS, current state law prohibits raffles if money is
14 charged for the raffle tickets, similar to a lottery, but does
15 not prohibit raffles if the tickets are distributed at no charge
16 after participants pay an entrance fee or ticket fee to a
17 fundraising event; and

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19 WHEREAS, conducting a raffle within a larger fundraising
20 event is not always possible, and consists of much more work and
21 planning than conducting a stand-alone raffle; and

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23 WHEREAS, other charitable organizations as well as the
24 communities that they serve would benefit from being allowed to
25 conduct fundraising raffles; now, therefore,

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27 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
28 Twenty-seventh Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular
29 Session of 2013, that this body recognizes that fundraising
30 raffles conducted by charitable organizations should be
31 permitted; and

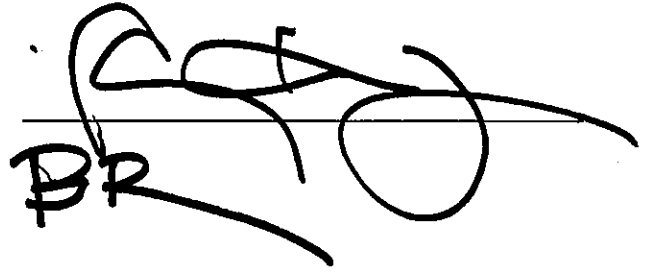


1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Attorney General is
2 requested to examine the possibility of permitting the conduct
3 of fundraising raffles by charitable organizations including by
4 making recommendations for legislation, ordinance, or
5 administrative rules necessary to implement such a policy; and
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7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this body reaffirms that it
8 does not support gambling, betting, or lotteries; and
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10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
11 Resolution be transmitted to the Governor and the Mayors of each
12 of the counties.
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OFFERED BY: _____

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