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# SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND GENERAL SERVICES TO  
CONVENE A WORKING GROUP TO CHOOSE A LOCATION FOR, BUILD,  
AND OPERATE AN INFORMATIONAL KIOSK FOR THE PUBLIC IN THE  
HAWAII CAPITAL HISTORIC DISTRICT.

1           WHEREAS, a dense array of unique historic sites, each  
2 pivotal to the social and political legacy of Hawaii, has  
3 accumulated within a small number of street blocks in urban  
4 Honolulu; and

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6           WHEREAS, these historic sites include the Iolani Palace,  
7 the Hawaiian Mission Houses Historic Site and Archives,  
8 Kawaiahao Church, Saint Andrew's Cathedral, Washington Place,  
9 the State Capitol Building, the Kamehameha Statue, Honolulu City  
10 Hall, and numerous other sites whose aesthetics and narratives  
11 render prime visitor destinations for tourists and local  
12 residents alike; and

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14           WHEREAS, transportation difficulties afflicting the  
15 historic district - including parking limitations, heavy  
16 traffic, bus delays, taxi costs, and confusing one way streets -  
17 lead visitors to often condense visits to many historic sites  
18 into a single trip and to travel between the sites by foot; and

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20           WHEREAS, due to funding restraints and advertisement costs,  
21 many of the nonprofit foundations supporting these historic  
22 sites cannot afford sufficient publicity, and thus their  
23 enriching exhibits and presentations often fail to enter the  
24 general public's colloquium as tourist attractions and household  
25 names; and

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27           WHEREAS, locals and visitors benefit substantially from  
28 exposure to these cultural gems; a greater understanding of the  
29 historic trajectory of Hawaii and its significance to national  
30 and international affairs could broaden public patronage,  
31 thereby assisting the educational nonprofits that support our



1 historic sites to remain solvent through frequent economic  
2 hardships; and

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4 WHEREAS, information conveyed through this public kiosk  
5 could be presented either through the interpersonal medium of  
6 human attendants or through the electronic medium of an  
7 interactive digital display, as costs and efficiency permit;  
8 now, therefore,

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10 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-seventh  
11 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2013, the  
12 House of Representatives concurring, that the Department of  
13 Accounting and General Services is urged to convene a working  
14 group to choose a location for, build, and operate an  
15 informational kiosk available to the public that is physically  
16 located in the Hawaii Capital Historic District; and

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18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the working group include  
19 representatives from the Hawaii Tourism Authority, the City and  
20 County of Honolulu, and interested private entities; and

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22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Accounting  
23 and General Services is requested to submit a report to the  
24 Legislature within six months of the adoption of this measure  
25 that contains the working group's plan for building, operating,  
26 and funding an informational kiosk in the Hawaii Capital  
27 Historic District; and

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29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
30 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Comptroller,  
31 President of the Hawaii Tourism Authority, and Mayor of the City  
32 and County of Honolulu.

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