
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

URGING THE OFFICE OF HAWAIIAN AFFAIRS TO COLLABORATE WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND TOURISM TO CREATE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVES FOR THE PERPETUATION AND USE OF NATIVE HAWAIIAN PLANTS AND RESOURCES.

1 WHEREAS, Hawaii is the endangered species capital of the
2 world with over three hundred endangered plants; and
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4 WHEREAS, Native Hawaiian plants grown in proper climate
5 zones thrive with less water, require less fertilizer, and need
6 less pruning than non-native plants; and
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8 WHEREAS, growing Native Hawaiian plants helps develop
9 knowledge of and appreciation for Hawaiian culture and history;
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12 WHEREAS, state incentives for plant nurseries and other
13 agricultural organizations to grow and sell native plants would
14 help promote Native Hawaiian plants and make more of them
15 available for cultivation, use, and sale; and
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17 WHEREAS, a thriving native plant and resource production
18 sector would help to diversify Hawaii's economy; now, therefore,
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20 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
21 Twenty-seventh Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular
22 Session of 2014, the Senate concurring, that the Office of
23 Hawaiian Affairs is urged to collaborate with the Department of
24 Business, Economic Development, and Tourism in creating economic
25 development initiatives for the perpetuation and use of Native
26 Hawaiian plants and resources; and
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28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Office of Hawaiian Affairs
29 is requested to submit a report to the Legislature, not later



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1 than twenty days prior to the Regular Session of 2015, on the
 2 progress made concerning the establishment of economic
 3 development initiatives created for the perpetuation and use of
 4 Native Hawaiian plants and resources; and
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6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
 7 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Chief Executive
 8 Officer and the Chair of the Board of Trustees of the Office of
 9 Hawaiian Affairs and the Director of Business, Economic
 10 Development, and Tourism.
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