
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

URGING THE TRANSPORTATION SECURITY ADMINISTRATION TO PERMIT
INTERISLAND TRAVELERS TO BRING POI THROUGH AIRPORT SECURITY
CHECKPOINTS.

1 WHEREAS, kalo, the Hawaiian word for taro is a culturally
2 significant plant for Hawaii's indigenous people and the State;
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5 WHEREAS, kalo expresses the spiritual and physical
6 prosperity of the kanaka maoli and their heritage and also
7 symbolizes environmental, social, and cultural values that are
8 important to the State; and
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10 WHEREAS, in 2007, the Legislature recognized kalo's
11 significance in the State's history and well-being by
12 designating it as the State plant; and
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14 WHEREAS, kalo is an important food crop in Hawaii because
15 it contains, among other things, fiber, vitamins C and B-1,
16 potassium, magnesium, and iron; and
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18 WHEREAS, kalo has hypoallergenic properties that are
19 extremely important for those with digestive disorders and
20 allergies, including young children and the elderly; and
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22 WHEREAS, poi is produced by mashing kalo until it is a
23 highly viscous paste; and
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25 WHEREAS, some agents at the United States Transportation
26 Security Administration airport security checkpoints have
27 treated poi as if it were a liquid subject to capacity limits
28 and have not permitted interisland airline passengers to carry
29 quantities of poi that exceed the three-and-four-tenths ounce
30 capacity limit through airport security checkpoints; now,
31 therefore,



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2 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
3 Twenty-seventh Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular
4 Session of 2014, the Senate concurring, that the United States
5 Transportation Security Administration is urged to allow
6 interisland airline passengers to carry through airport security
7 checkpoints quantities of poi that exceed the three-and-four-
8 tenths-ounce capacity limit that applies to liquids; and
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10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
11 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Administrator of the
12 Transportation Security Administration and the State of Hawaii
13 Director of Transportation.
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OFFERED BY:


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