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# SENATE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DIVISION OF STATE PARKS TO CREATE A PLAN TO  
SURROUND EVERY STATE PARK WITH FENCING.

1           WHEREAS, the management of state parks is the  
2 responsibility of the Division of State Parks of the Department  
3 of Land and Natural Resources, pursuant to sections 26-15,  
4 171-3, and 184-2, Hawaii Revised Statutes; and  
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6           WHEREAS, the Hawaii State Park System is composed of at  
7 least fifty-three state parks that encompass over 25,000 acres  
8 on the islands of Hawaii, Kauai, Maui, Molokai, and Oahu; and  
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10          WHEREAS, state parks are open to the public year-round,  
11 with camping and lodging offered at certain parks; and  
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13          WHEREAS, the security of state parks is a concern due to  
14 trespass, crime, and drug use, resulting in the deterioration of  
15 state parks as a place of relaxation and recreation; and  
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17          WHEREAS, while securing the state parks with guards is  
18 prohibitively expensive and unrealistic and installing  
19 surveillance cameras in state parks is subject to constitutional  
20 challenge, installing fencing around state parks is a reasonable  
21 and effective means of securing state parks; and  
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23          WHEREAS, the United States Department of Homeland Security  
24 uses fencing as a security mechanism, having built 190 miles of  
25 pedestrian border fence and 154.3 miles of vehicle border fence,  
26 for a total of 344.3 miles of fence, along the United States-  
27 Mexico border; now, therefore,  
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29          BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-seventh  
30 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2014,  
31 that the Division of State Parks is requested to create a plan  
32 to surround every state park with fencing; and  
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34          BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Division of State Parks is  
35 requested to report its plan to the Legislature no later than



1 twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular Session of  
2 2015; and  
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4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
5 Resolution be transmitted to the Chairperson of the Board of  
6 Land and Natural Resources and the Administrator of the Division  
7 of State Parks.  
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OFFERED BY:



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