
SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

ENCOURAGING THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE TO EVALUATE THE IMPORT
REQUIREMENTS AND PROCESS FOR DOMESTIC ANIMALS.

1 WHEREAS, Hawaii's current system for importing domestic
2 animals into the state is outdated and complicated; and
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4 WHEREAS, current Department of Agriculture rules require
5 dogs, cats, and other carnivores originating from the United
6 States and other non-exempted areas, upon arrival in the State,
7 to be confined to a quarantine station for a period up to one
8 hundred twenty days to prevent the introduction of rabies to the
9 State; now, therefore,
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11 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-ninth
12 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2018, the
13 House of Representatives concurring, that the Department of
14 Agriculture is encouraged to evaluate the import requirements
15 and process for domestic animals; and
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17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Agriculture
18 is requested to report to the Legislature, no later than twenty
19 days prior to the convening of the Regular Session of 2019, its
20 findings and any recommendations on how to improve the import
21 process for domestic animals to make it easier and more fair
22 while remaining effective in preventing rabies and parasites
23 from entering Hawaii; and
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25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this
26 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Chairperson of the
27 Board of Agriculture.
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