
SENATE RESOLUTION

URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND
TOURISM TO PARTNER WITH THE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF
ENERGY TO ESTABLISH AN OFFICE OF SCIENCE NATIONAL
LABORATORY IN THE KALAELOA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT.

1 WHEREAS, Hawaii is leading efforts in renewable energy
2 technology and became the first state to mandate a move to one
3 hundred percent renewable energy by enacting Act 97, Session
4 Laws of Hawaii 2015, which requires Hawaii to have a one hundred
5 percent renewable energy portfolio by 2045; and
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7 WHEREAS, the State is on track to reach its goal of one
8 hundred percent renewable energy by 2045, or earlier, and has
9 already partnered with the United States Department of Energy
10 toward this goal; and
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12 WHEREAS, the United States Department of Energy oversees
13 seventeen national laboratories for the purpose of advancing
14 science and technology to fulfill the Department's mission; and
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16 WHEREAS, national laboratories have served as the leading
17 institutions for scientific innovation in the United States for
18 more than seventy years; and
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20 WHEREAS, sixteen of the seventeen national laboratories are
21 federally funded research and development centers that are
22 administered, managed, operated, and staffed by private-sector
23 organizations under a management and operating contract with the
24 Department of Energy; and
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26 WHEREAS, despite being a leader in renewable energy, Hawaii
27 does not have an Office of Science National Laboratory; now,
28 therefore,
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30 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-ninth
31 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2018,
32 that the Department of Business, Economic Development, and



1 Tourism is urged to partner with the United States Department of
2 Energy to establish an Office of Science National Laboratory in
3 the Kalaeloa community development district established pursuant
4 to section 206E-193, Hawaii Revised Statutes; and
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6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Business,
7 Economic Development, and Tourism identify lands that can be
8 transferred to the United States Department of Energy for the
9 purpose of establishing an Office of Science National Laboratory
10 in the Kalaeloa community development district; and
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12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Business,
13 Economic Development, and Tourism submit a report of its
14 progress, challenges, and resource needs in pursuit of
15 establishing an Office of Science National Laboratory to the
16 Legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of
17 the Regular Session of 2019; and
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19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
20 Resolution be transmitted to the United States Secretary of
21 Energy and Director of Business, Economic Development, and
22 Tourism.

