
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HAWAIIAN HOME LANDS TO PERFORM AN
ACTUARIAL STUDY ON THE SIZE OF THE CURRENT AND PROJECTED
FUTURE POPULATIONS OF HAWAIIANS ELIGIBLE TO LEASE HAWAIIAN
HOME LANDS.

1 WHEREAS, in light of slowing housing production and
2 Hawaii's high cost of living, adequate housing remains a
3 persistent challenge for the Hawaiian community; and
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5 WHEREAS, the Hawaiian Homes Commission Act authorizes the
6 Department of Hawaiian Home Lands to lease tracts of Hawaiian
7 home lands to eligible native Hawaiians who are descendants of
8 not less than one-half part of the blood of the races inhabiting
9 the Hawaiian Islands previous to 1778; and
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11 WHEREAS, approximately twenty-seven thousand eligible
12 Hawaiians are on the waitlist to lease Hawaiian home lands; and
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14 WHEREAS, in order to best serve individuals who are
15 eligible to enter into leases for Hawaiian home lands, it is
16 vital for the State and the federal government to have an
17 accurate calculation of the number of eligible Hawaiians living
18 today and a scientifically plausible estimate of the size of the
19 eligible Hawaiian population of future generations; and
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21 WHEREAS, because many individuals of native Hawaiian
22 ancestry have chosen to enter into interracial marriages and
23 relationships that produce interracial offspring, estimating the
24 size of the population of eligible Hawaiians can be particularly
25 challenging; and
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27 WHEREAS, the last published calculation of the size of the
28 eligible Hawaiian population appeared in a 1995 SMS Research
29 report, submitted to the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands,



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1 which estimated that the approximate worldwide number of
2 eligible Hawaiians alive at the time was 68,248; and
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4 WHEREAS, the last published calculation of the size of
5 future eligible Hawaiian populations appeared in a 1987 report,
6 drafted by the federal Office of Technology Assessment, which
7 estimated that the approximate number of eligible Hawaiians
8 living in Hawaii in 2044 would be 35,725 to 53,207, depending on
9 the rate of intermarriage among the Hawaiian population; and
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11 WHEREAS, a more recent calculation of the size of current
12 and future eligible populations will give state and federal
13 entities the information they need to adjust the Hawaiian Homes
14 Commission Act as necessary; now, therefore,
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16 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
17 Thirtieth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of
18 2019, the Senate concurring, that the Department of Hawaiian
19 Home Lands is requested to perform an actuarial study on the
20 size of the current and projected future populations of
21 Hawaiians eligible to lease Hawaiian home lands; and
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23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Hawaiian Home
24 Lands is requested to prepare a report that includes the
25 actuarial study's findings and recommendations and submit the
26 report to the Legislature no later than twenty days prior to the
27 convening of the Regular Session of 2020; and
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29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
30 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Governor and the
31 Chair of the Hawaiian Homes Commission.
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