
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION TO CONDUCT A STUDY
ON THE NEED FOR AND FEASIBILITY OF A FERRY SERVICE BETWEEN
ALOHA TOWER MARKETPLACE AND SAND ISLAND STATE RECREATION
AREA.

1 WHEREAS, there are a number of businesses on Sand Island
2 that employ workers who commute daily from other areas of Oahu,
3 including the East and Windward areas of Oahu; and
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5 WHEREAS, Sand Island Access Road is the only roadway that
6 provides access to Sand Island, which leads to traffic
7 congestion and delays and is burdensome to the many employees
8 who commute daily to Sand Island; and
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10 WHEREAS, a ferry service that provides transportation
11 between Aloha Tower Marketplace and Sand Island State Recreation
12 Area would alleviate the traffic strain on Sand Island Access
13 Road, improve the commute for employees who work on Sand Island
14 by providing an alternate transportation option, and encourage
15 more tourism activity in Sand Island State Recreation Area; and
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17 WHEREAS, increased tourism activity in Sand Island State
18 Recreation Area may result in an increased need for upgraded
19 facilities, including concessions; now, therefore,
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21 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
22 Thirtieth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of
23 2019, the Senate concurring, that the Department of
24 Transportation, in consultation with the Department of Land and
25 Natural Resources, City and County of Honolulu, Hawai'i Pacific
26 University, and interested stakeholders, is requested to conduct
27 a study on the need for and feasibility of a ferry service
28 between Aloha Tower Marketplace and Sand Island State Recreation
29 Area; and
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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of
 2 Transportation is requested to consider the potential costs,
 3 financing options, and parameters of the ferry service; and
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5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of
 6 Transportation is requested to consider the impact the ferry
 7 service would have on tourism in Sand Island State Recreation
 8 Area, including whether upgraded facilities and concessions
 9 would be desirable; and
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11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of
 12 Transportation is requested to submit its findings and
 13 recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the
 14 Legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of
 15 the Regular Session of 2020; and
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17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
 18 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Director of
 19 Transportation, Chairperson of the Board of Land and Natural
 20 Resources, Mayor of the City and County of Honolulu, Chairperson
 21 of the Honolulu City Council, and President of Hawai'i Pacific
 22 University.
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