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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE AUDITOR TO CONDUCT A SUNRISE REVIEW OF THE
REGISTRATION AND REGULATION OF TRANSIENT VACATION UNIT
OWNERS.

1 WHEREAS, S.B. No. 960, introduced during the Regular
2 Session of 2019 proposes the registration and regulation of
3 transient vacation units; and
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5 WHEREAS, transient vacation units are increasingly located
6 in residential areas, often in violation of zoning laws and in
7 conflict with residential neighbors; and
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9 WHEREAS, enforcement actions against illegal transient
10 vacation unit operators have proven difficult for county
11 planning departments and the Department of Taxation, due to
12 difficulty in identifying the properties being used as transient
13 vacation units; and
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15 WHEREAS, Act 204, Session Laws of Hawaii 2015, amended
16 section 237D-4, Hawaii Revised Statutes, to formalize the
17 requirement that advertisements for transient accommodations
18 must conspicuously provide the registration identification
19 number of the operator or plan manager, but provided no
20 definition of "registration identification number"; and
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22 WHEREAS, the counties each license and regulate transient
23 vacation units with different processes and registration
24 numbers; and
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26 WHEREAS, various transient accommodation operators and plan
27 managers manage multiple properties throughout the State; and
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29 WHEREAS, the Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs is
30 charged with registering and licensing professions and makes
31 this information publicly available and generally searchable
32 online; and



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 2 WHEREAS, a centralized and publicly searchable database of
 3 transient vacation units, including addresses, unit numbers, and
 4 tax map numbers would help identify properly registered
 5 transient vacation units; and
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7 WHEREAS, section 26H-6, Hawaii Revised Statutes, requires
 8 new measures, subjecting unregulated professions and vocations
 9 to licensing or other regulatory controls, to be referred to the
 10 Auditor for analysis; now, therefore,
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12 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirtieth Legislature
 13 of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2019, the House of
 14 Representatives concurring, that the Auditor is requested to
 15 conduct a sunrise review of the registration and regulation of
 16 transient vacation rental owners, as proposed by S.B. No. 960,
 17 Regular Session of 2019; and
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19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Auditor is further
 20 requested to submit findings and recommendations, including any
 21 proposed legislation, to the Legislature no later than twenty
 22 days prior to the convening of the Regular Session of 2020; and
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24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this
 25 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Auditor.
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