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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

URGING CONGRESS TO AMEND TITLE 42 UNITED STATES CODE SECTION
16355 AND LIFT THE PROHIBITION ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF NEW
NATIONAL LABORATORIES.

1 WHEREAS, for the past seventy years, the national
2 laboratories have served as the leading institutions for
3 scientific innovation in the United States, spurred on by an
4 outgrowth of immense investment in scientific research initiated
5 by the United States during World War II; and
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7 WHEREAS, the United States Department of Energy's seventeen
8 national laboratories tackle the critical scientific challenges
9 of our time, from combating climate change to discovering the
10 origins of our universe, and possess unique instruments and
11 facilities, many of which are found nowhere else in the world;
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14 WHEREAS, these national laboratories address large scale,
15 complex research and development challenges with a
16 multidisciplinary approach that places an emphasis on
17 translating basic science and innovation; and
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19 WHEREAS, title 42 United States Code section 16355 states
20 that after August 8, 2005, the Secretary of Energy shall not
21 designate a facility that is not listed in title 42 United
22 States Code section 15801(3) as a national laboratory; now,
23 therefore,
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25 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirtieth Legislature
26 of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2019, the House of
27 Representatives concurring, that Congress is urged to amend
28 title 42 United States Code section 16355 and lift the
29 prohibition on the establishment of new national laboratories;
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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
2 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Majority Leader of
3 the United States Senate, Speaker of the United States House of
4 Representatives, and members of the Hawaii congressional
5 delegation.

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OFFERED BY:

Transmitted

