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SENATE RESOLUTION

URGING THE DIVISION OF BOATING AND OCEAN RECREATION AND THE
DIVISION OF CONSERVATION AND RESOURCES ENFORCEMENT OF THE
DEPARTMENT ON LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO IMPLEMENT AND
CONDUCT QUARTERLY COMMUNITY MEETINGS.

1 WHEREAS, the Division of Boating and Ocean Recreation of
2 the Department of Land and Natural Resources (DOBOR) and
3 Division of Conservation and Resources Enforcement of the
4 Department of Land and Natural Resources are responsible for
5 maintaining and safeguarding state boating facilities and
6 enforcing certain laws and rules at state boating facilities;
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9 WHEREAS, Kailua Pier, located in Kailua-Kona, on the island
10 of Hawaii, is state owned and is a popular place for boat
11 launching and docking; and

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13 WHEREAS, Kailua Pier caters to over eighty cruise ships
14 ferrying more than one hundred fifty thousand passengers each
15 year; and

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17 WHEREAS, there are an estimated forty permitted events that
18 take place at Kailua Pier each year; and

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20 WHEREAS, Kailua Pier is open to the public for recreational
21 use and is a well-liked place for swimmers, snorkelers, fishers,
22 and surfers; and

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24 WHEREAS, Kailua Pier is a hub of ocean activity and can get
25 heavily congested with people, vehicles, and boats; and

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27 WHEREAS, in the past, DOBOR provided canoe clubs with keys
28 that allowed them vehicular access to Kailua Pier (keyholders);
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31 WHEREAS, DOBOR received complaints from the community about
32 keyholders abusing their vehicular access privileges; and

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1 WHEREAS, due to the complaints and abuse of privileges,
2 DOBOR has since reduced the number of access keys to be issued
3 to keyholders; and
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5 WHEREAS, DOBOR has found reducing the number of access keys
6 issued to keyholders necessary to manage access to Kailua Pier;
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9 WHEREAS, it is essential for DOBOR and keyholders to
10 communicate about access in order to clear up misunderstandings,
11 avoid future complaints and abuses, and ensure that commercial
12 and recreational needs are met; now, therefore,
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14 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirtieth Legislature
15 of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2019, that the
16 Division of Boating and Ocean Recreation and Division of
17 Conservation and Resources Enforcement of the Department of Land
18 and Natural Resources are urged to implement and conduct
19 quarterly community meetings for all interested people to
20 express their concerns regarding access to Kailua Pier; and
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22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
23 Resolution be transmitted to the Chairperson of the Board of
24 Land and Natural Resources, Administrator of the Division of
25 Boating and Ocean Recreation, and Enforcement Chief of the
26 Division of Conservation and Resources Enforcement.
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28 OFFERED BY: _____
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