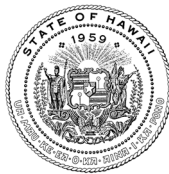


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TO THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT,
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ON
SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 88

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URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND FINANCE TO EXAMINE
PARTICIPATION BY THE STATE IN THE POWERBALL AND MEGA MILLIONS
MULTISTATE LOTTERY GAMES AND THE ALLOCATION OF THE INCOME FROM
THOSE GAMES TO THE GENERAL FUND

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 88 urges the Department of Budget and Finance (B&F) to examine various issues related to the implementation of a State lottery and requests B&F submit a report to the Legislature at least 20 days prior to the convening of the 2020 Legislative Session.

While B&F appreciates the intent of this measure to generate additional revenues for the State, the Ige Administration opposes the creation of a State lottery. In addition, examining implementation issues at this time may be premature given that the State has not determined whether to establish a State lottery.

Should the Legislature wish to pursue this, a preliminary study of the potential revenue and social impact of a State lottery may be more appropriate at this point. B&F would require an appropriation to prepare such a study.

Thank you for your consideration of our comments.