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Senator Ronald Kouchi, President
Hawai'i State Senate

Representative Scott Saiki, Speaker
Hawai'i State House of Representatives

Mr. President and Mr. Speaker:

House Concurrent Resolution 113 (2019)

The Hawai'i State Senate in the Regular Session of 2019 passed House Concurrent Resolution 113 (HCR 113), which called upon the Hawai'i Emergency Management Agency (HI-EMA) to convene the multiple languages emergency notifications working group to develop a plan to provide emergency notifications in multiple languages for people with limited English proficiency, and then to submit a report no later than twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular Session of 2020.

HI-EMA has not had a funding mechanism and personnel support to implement this resolution. Appropriate resources have been requested of the 2020 Legislature.

Please do not hesitate to contact my office if you have any comments, questions, or concerns.

Sincerely,

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