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# HOUSE RESOLUTION

URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO REPORT TO THE LEGISLATURE CURRENT AND PROPOSED FEE STRUCTURES FOR ACCESS TO STATE PARKS, BEACHES, TRAILS, AND OTHER STATE FACILITIES UNDER THE DEPARTMENT'S JURISDICTION.

1 WHEREAS, Hawaii's state parks, beaches, trails, and other  
2 state facilities are integral to visitors' experiences and vital  
3 to the tourist industry; and  
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5 WHEREAS, the Department of Land and Natural Resources  
6 (Department) is responsible for managing, administering, and  
7 exercising control over public lands, water resources, ocean  
8 waters, navigable streams, coastal areas except commercial  
9 harbors, minerals, and all interests therein; and  
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11 WHEREAS, the Department's jurisdiction encompasses nearly  
12 1.3 million acres of state lands, beaches, and coastal waters as  
13 well as 750 miles of coastline, which is the fourth longest in  
14 the country; and  
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16 WHEREAS, fee structures, such as park entrance and parking  
17 fees, are vital for the maintenance and operation of state  
18 parks, beaches, trails, and other facilities; and  
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20 WHEREAS, the National Park Service uses entrance fees for a  
21 variety of items to enhance visitors' experiences, such as  
22 repair, maintenance, habitat restoration, law enforcement, and  
23 fee management agreements to provide emergency medical services;  
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26 WHEREAS, the State has an interest in ensuring that the  
27 Department develops a sound and consistent fee structure for  
28 state lands, beaches, trails, and other state facilities under  
29 the Department's jurisdiction that is based on standard market  
30 procedures and modern methods; now, therefore,  
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1 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the  
 2 Thirtieth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of  
 3 2020, that the Department of Land and Natural Resources is urged  
 4 to submit a report to the Legislature no later than twenty days  
 5 prior to the convening of the Regular Session of 2021 that  
 6 includes the following information:

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- 8 (1) The current fees charged for access to state parks,  
 9 beaches, trails, and other state facilities under the  
 10 Department's jurisdiction, including but not limited  
 11 to parking and entrance fees;
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- 13 (2) The total amount of revenues collected from the  
 14 current fees charged for access to each state park,  
 15 beach, trail, or other state facility under the  
 16 Department's jurisdiction, including but not limited  
 17 to parking and entrance fees; and
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- 19 (3) A proposed fee structure for access to state parks,  
 20 beaches, trails, or other state facilities under the  
 21 Department's jurisdiction, including but not limited  
 22 to parking and entrance fees, that are based on  
 23 standard market procedures, modern methods, or fee  
 24 structures implemented by various private or  
 25 governmental entities throughout the nation for access  
 26 to similar types of sites or facilities;
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28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this  
 29 Resolution be transmitted to the Chairperson of the Board of  
 30 Land and Natural Resources.

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