
HOUSE RESOLUTION

URGING ALL COMMERCIAL AIRLINES OPERATING IN HAWAII TO THOROUGHLY CLEAN AND DISINFECT THEIR AIRCRAFT BETWEEN FLIGHTS TO PREVENT THE SPREAD OF ILLNESSES AND DISEASES, INCLUDING COVID-19.

1 WHEREAS, the World Health Organization (WHO) has urged
2 nations around the world to prepare for the possibility of
3 COVID-19 becoming a global pandemic; and
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5 WHEREAS, currently, thirty-seven countries, including the
6 United States, have confirmed cases of COVID-19, totaling 80,419
7 infections and 3,711 deaths; and
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9 WHEREAS, WHO predicts that the chance of a global pandemic
10 is slowly increasing; and
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12 WHEREAS, the Daniel K. Inouye International Airport handles
13 an average of 850 flights and 57,534 passengers per day; and
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15 WHEREAS, cooperation with commercial airlines is crucial in
16 combatting the spread of COVID-19 and protecting public health;
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19 WHEREAS, the transmission of communicable diseases via
20 surface contact aboard aircraft is preventable using low-cost,
21 readily-accessible, easy-to-use cleaning equipment and supplies,
22 including sanitary wipes and disinfectant spray; and
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24 WHEREAS, there is an existing procedure to clean each row
25 of an airplane cabin between flights, so adding the extra step
26 of disinfecting is not unduly burdensome yet it is extremely
27 important to prevent the further spread of illnesses and
28 diseases, including COVID-19; now, therefore,
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30 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
31 Thirtieth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of



1 2020, that all commercial airlines operating in Hawaii are urged
2 to thoroughly clean and disinfect their aircraft between flights
3 to prevent the spread of illnesses and diseases, including
4 COVID-19; and
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6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
7 Resolution be transmitted to the Governor; Director of
8 Transportation; Director of Health; Deputy Director for Airports
9 of the Department of Transportation; and the Presidents and
10 Chief Executive Officers of Hawaiian Airlines, Air Canada, Air
11 New Zealand, AirAsia X, Alaska Airlines, All Nippon Airways,
12 American Airlines, Asiana Airlines, China Airlines, Delta Air
13 Lines, Fiji Airways, Japan Airlines, Jetstar Airways, Jin Air,
14 Korean Air, Makani Kai Air, Mokulele Airlines, Omni Air
15 International, Philippine Airlines, Qantas Airways, Southwest
16 Airlines, Sun Country Airlines, United Airlines, and WestJet
17 Airlines.
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