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# SENATE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE STATE OFFICE OF ENTERPRISE TECHNOLOGY SERVICES  
AND THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU TO COLLABORATE TO  
PROVIDE VIDEOCONFERENCE ACCESS FOR NEIGHBOR ISLAND  
RESIDENTS TO BE ABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN LEGISLATIVE HEARINGS  
AND SESSIONS.

1           WHEREAS, Legislative rules and practices encourage robust  
2 debate provided through testimony from members of the public;  
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5           WHEREAS, a centralized system of State government provides  
6 for efficient coordination of government functions and services,  
7 especially for a population spread out over separate islands;  
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10           WHEREAS, issues relating to accessibility and delivery of  
11 government information, services, and proceedings to residents  
12 of Hawaii, Kauai, Maui, Lanai, Molokai, Niihau, and rural Oahu  
13 remain an ongoing challenge, primarily due to the centralized  
14 location of state government in Honolulu's urban core; and  
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16           WHEREAS, the public and its ability to engage lawmakers and  
17 participate fully in the democratic process would greatly  
18 benefit from safe, stable, and secure Internet-based access; and  
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20           WHEREAS, current technology makes it possible for  
21 individuals to virtually attend and participate in legislative  
22 hearings; and  
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24           WHEREAS, despite available technology, there are  
25 operational and technical issues that must first be resolved in  
26 order to implement services to allow the public to participate  
27 in the legislative process via videoconferencing; now,  
28 therefore,  
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30           BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirtieth Legislature  
31 of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2020, that the State



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1 Office of Enterprise Technology Services and the Legislative  
 2 Reference Bureau are respectfully requested to collaborate and  
 3 provide for neighbor island residents to effectively participate  
 4 in the legislative process; and

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 6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the State Office of Enterprise  
 7 Technology Services and the Legislative Reference Bureau are  
 8 further requested to determine and provide recommendations for  
 9 State office buildings on Hawaii, Kauai, Maui, Lanai, Molokai,  
 10 Niihau, and rural Oahu respectively for the best location to  
 11 provide access to telecommunication services; and

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 13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the State Office of Enterprise  
 14 Technology Services and the Legislative Reference Bureau are  
 15 further urged to collaborate and submit a report to the  
 16 Legislature including recommendations for necessary legislation,  
 17 no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the Regular  
 18 Session of 2021; and


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 20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
 21 Resolution be transmitted to Director of the State Office of  
 22 Enterprise Technology Services and the Director of the  
 23 Legislative Reference Bureau.

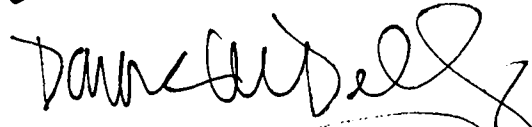
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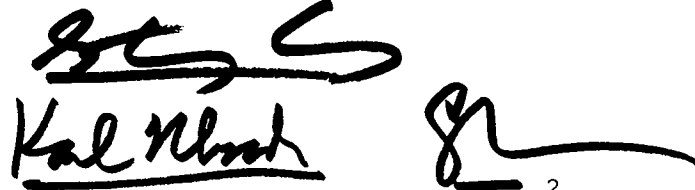
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