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SENATE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO REPORT ON CARDIOPULMONARY
RESUSCITATION INSTRUCTION BEING OFFERED THROUGH STATE
DEPARTMENTS.

1 WHEREAS, of the four hundred thousand people who suffer an
2 out-of-hospital cardiac arrest in the United States each year,
3 only six percent survive the episode; and
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5 WHEREAS, out-of-hospital cardiac arrest is one of the
6 leading causes of death in Hawaii; and
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8 WHEREAS, every year, Hawaii emergency medical services
9 teams treat nearly one thousand one hundred cases of out-of-
10 hospital cardiac arrest, with only nine percent of these victims
11 surviving; and
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13 WHEREAS, the American Heart Association's cardiopulmonary
14 resuscitation guidelines state that in studies of out-of-
15 hospital cardiac arrest, adults who received cardiopulmonary
16 resuscitation from a bystander were more likely to survive than
17 those who did not receive any type of cardiopulmonary
18 resuscitation; and
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20 WHEREAS, cities that have increased training for
21 cardiopulmonary resuscitation have seen cardiac arrest survival
22 rates reach up to sixty percent; and
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24 WHEREAS, seventy percent of Hawaii residents reported
25 feeling helpless to act during a cardiac arrest emergency
26 because they do not know how to administer cardiopulmonary
27 resuscitation; and
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29 WHEREAS, cardiopulmonary resuscitation training can be
30 completed in a single thirty-minute session; now, therefore,
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32 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirtieth Legislature
33 of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2020, that the
34 Department of Health is requested to report on cardiopulmonary



1 resuscitation instruction being offered through state
2 departments; and

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4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Health is
5 requested to further identify the following:

- 6 (1) How often cardiopulmonary resuscitation instruction is
- 7 offered;
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- 9 (2) With whom does the State contract for cardiopulmonary
- 10 resuscitation instruction;
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- 12 (3) The minimum requirements of participants for
- 13 cardiopulmonary resuscitation instruction; and
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- 15 (4) Whether cardiopulmonary resuscitation instruction can
- 16 be offered or made available to students at public
- 17 schools; and
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20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Health is
21 requested to submit a report of its findings and
22 recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the
23 Legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of
24 the Regular Session of 2021; and

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26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this
27 Resolution be transmitted to the Director of Health.

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