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Statement of  
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before the  
**SENATE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND TOURISM**

Monday, March 15, 2021  
3:00 PM  
State Capitol, Conference Room 224

In consideration of  
**SCR 32 / SR 21**  
**REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT,  
AND TOURISM AND DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND GENERAL SERVICES  
TO CONDUCT A COST ANALYSIS STUDY OF CONSOLIDATING WEST HAWAII  
STATE OFFICES INTO A SINGLE CONVENIENTLY LOCATED COMPLEX.**

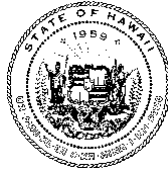
Chair Wakai, Vice Chair Misalucha, and members of the Committee.

The Department of Business, Economic Development & Tourism (DBEDT) appreciates the intent and provides comments on SCR 32/SR 21, which requests DBEDT and Department of Accounting and General Services to conduct a cost analysis study of consolidating West Hawaii State offices into a single conveniently located complex.

DBEDT supports efforts to consolidate offices to improve services and for effectiveness and efficiency. Conducting a cost-benefit analysis study will require funds to hire expertise necessary to perform the study and to draft a report on the findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the Legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular Session of 2022.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment.

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WRITTEN TESTIMONY  
OF  
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DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND GENERAL SERVICES  
TO THE  
SENATE COMMITTEE ON  
ENERGY, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND TOURISM

MONDAY, MARCH 15, 2021, 3:00 PM.  
CONFERENCE ROOM 224 AND VIA VIDEOCONFERENCE, STATE CAPITOL

S.C.R. 32 / S.R. 21

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND TOURISM AND DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND GENERAL SERVICES TO CONDUCT A COST ANALYSIS STUDY OF CONSOLIDATING WEST HAWAII STATE OFFICES INTO A SINGLE CONVENIENTLY LOCATED COMPLEX.

Chair Wakai, Vice Chair Misalucha, and members of the Committee, thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony in support of S.C.R. 32 / S.R. 21.

The Department of Accounting and General Services (DAGS) recognizes the advantages to the public of consolidating State offices in a centralized location in West Hawaii. We agree that a cost analysis study would be beneficial in determining if consolidating State offices in a single convenient location in West Hawaii would be more cost effective and efficient than the current operations in multiple locations.

However, due to the lack of funding to support a consultant contract, we would appreciate expanded financial support to fund consultant services to develop the cost analysis study.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony on this matter

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March 14, 2021

TO: The Honorable Senator Glenn Wakai, Chair  
Senate Committee on Energy, Economic Development, Tourism, and Technology

FROM: Cathy Betts, Director

SUBJECT: **SCR32/SR21**– REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS, ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND TOURISM AND DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND GENERAL SERVICES TO CONDUCT A COST ANALYSIS STUDY OF CONSOLIDATING WEST HAWAII STATE OFFICES INTO A SINGLE CONVENIENTLY LOCATED COMPLEX.

Hearing: March 15, 2021, Time 3:00 p.m.  
Via Videoconference, State Capitol

**DEPARTMENT'S POSITION:** The Department of Human Services (DHS) provides comments on these resolutions. DHS defers to the Departments of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism, and Accounting and General Services.

**PURPOSE:** These resolutions request the department of business, economic development, and tourism and department of accounting and general services to conduct a cost analysis study of consolidating west Hawaii state offices into a single conveniently located complex.

DHS is interested in a cost analysis to study the consolidation of west Hawaii State offices into a single conveniently located complex. DHS has staff from different divisions in several leased spaces in west Hawaii.

Staff or fiscal resources may be required to conduct such analysis.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments on these resolutions.