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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE HAWAII HEALTH SYSTEMS CORPORATION TO CREATE A PLAN FOR THE KA'Ŭ HOSPITAL TO INCORPORATE MODERN COMPUTED TOMOGRAPHY EQUIPMENT BY JULY 1, 2024.

WHEREAS, Ka'ū Hospital was built by the State in 1971 and is the only hospital in the Ka'ū District in Southern Hawai'i Island, an area approximately the size of Oahu; and

WHEREAS, in 1997 when Hawaii Health Systems Corporation (HHSC) was formed, Kaʻ $\bar{\rm u}$ Hospital became one of HHSC's facilities; and

WHEREAS, in 2001, Ka'ū Hospital achieved critical access hospital status, a federal designation given to small rural hospitals that provide essential emergency and acute services in remote areas to assist them with the financial challenges associated with their size and isolation; and

WHEREAS, the district of Ka' $\bar{\mathrm{u}}$ is considered a medically underserved area; and

WHEREAS, Ka'ū Hospital is the only hospital in the district that provides x-ray services; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirty-first Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2022, the House of Representatives concurring, that HHSC is requested to create a plan for the Ka'ū Hospital to incorporate modern computed tomography equipment by July 1, 2024; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the plan to incorporate modern computed tomography equipment is requested to include:

(1) A list of appropriate tomography equipment to be purchased and installed;

1 2	(2)	The estimated total cost of purchase and installation; and
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4	(3)	The estimated timetable for purchase and installation
5		of the equipment; and
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7	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that HHSC is requested to submit a	
8	report of the plan to the Legislature no later than twenty days	
9	prior to the convening of the Regular Session of 2023; and	
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11	BE IT	FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this
12		Resolution be transmitted to the Chair of the Board
13	of Directo	ors of Hawaii Health Systems Corporation.
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