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SENATE RESOLUTION

URGING THE STATE OF HAWAII TO SUPPORT THE DEVELOPMENT AND
DEPLOYMENT OF ZERO EMISSIONS INTERISLAND TRANSPORTATION.

1 WHEREAS, Hawaii has adopted laws and set goals to achieve a
2 carbon negative economy by 2045; and

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4 WHEREAS, transportation still accounts for the majority of
5 emissions in Hawaii; and

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7 WHEREAS, as an island archipelago, Hawaii is ideally suited
8 to demonstrate and adopt zero emissions sea and air
9 transportation between the islands for people and cargo due to
10 the shorter length of trips; and

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12 WHEREAS, the advancement of short-range electric aircraft
13 and watercraft, including electric sea gliders, make zero
14 emissions interisland commuting now possible and scalable; and

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16 WHEREAS, the adoption of zero emissions interisland
17 transportation can mean significant long term savings on the
18 cost of travel, fuel, and commodities for Hawaii residents and
19 visitors; now, therefore,

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21 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirty-first
22 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2022,
23 that the State of Hawaii is urged to strongly encourage the
24 development and deployment of zero emissions interisland
25 transportation; and

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27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Business,
28 Economic Development, and Tourism and the Department of
29 Transportation are requested to accelerate efforts to assist
30 with developing and deploying zero emissions interisland
31 transportation; and

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33 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Business,
34 Economic Development, and Tourism, Department of Transportation,
35 Department of Land and Natural Resources, and other relevant
36 departments are requested to plan to identify and incorporate



1 necessities such as charging facilities, docks, and other
2 infrastructure required to allow for zero emissions interisland
3 transportation; and
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5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
6 Resolution be transmitted to the Governor; Director of Business,
7 Economic Development, and Tourism; Director of Transportation;
8 and Chairperson of the Board of Land and Natural Resources.
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