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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND GENERAL SERVICES, AND HAWAII STATE ENERGY OFFICE TO COLLABORATE TO DEVELOP, IMPLEMENT, ADMINISTER, AND MANAGE VARIOUS TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM PROGRAMS AT PUBLIC FACILITIES THAT INCLUDE BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO CONSTRUCTION OR CONVERSION OF PARKING STALLS TO ACCOMMODATE ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING, SECURE BICYCLE STORAGE LOCKERS, AND PARKING STALL SHARING BETWEEN PUBLIC EMPLOYEES.

| 1 | WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the State to reduce |
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| 2 | the cost of living and cost of transportation for public |
| 3 | employees and residents of public housing; and |
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| 5 | WHEREAS, Hawaii has the highest cost of living in the |
| 6 | United States; and |
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| 8 | WHEREAS, the single fastest growing contributor to an |
| 9 | increasing cost of living in the State is now the rising cost of |
| 10 | transportation; and |
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| 12 | WHEREAS, Hawaii residents already pay among the highest |
| 13 | cost to commute in the country due to increasingly expensive |
| 14 | fossil fuels and lack of cheaper transit options; and |
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| 16 | WHEREAS, ensuring future access to electric vehicle |
| 17 | charging stations and secure bicycle storage in public |
| 18 | facilities will reduce the cost of transportation for public |
| 19 | employees and residents of public housing; and |
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| 21 | WHEREAS, many people are opting to drive electric vehicles, |
| 22 | which are significantly cheaper to operate and maintain than gas |
| 23 | vehicles, and many major manufacturers have already committed to |
| 24 | cease the production and sale of gas-powered vehicles by 2030 |
| 25 | and 2035, respectively; and |
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WHEREAS, the infrastructure for charging those vehicles in 1 2 public facilities does not exist despite the demand, which will continue to increase significantly; and 3 4 WHEREAS, due to lack of secure storage options, bicycle 5 6 theft at public facilities is a pervasive problem even when they 7 are locked in racks; and 8 9 WHEREAS, this limits the ability of public employees to 10 save, on average, nearly \$13,000 each year by commuting to work by bicycle rather than by car; and 11 12 13 WHEREAS, in order to save money, public employees who commute by car and pay for parking at their workplace are 14 inclined to split the cost of sharing a single stall with 15 colleagues while carpooling in different cars on different days; 16 17 and 18 19 WHEREAS, the Department of Accounting and General Services currently prohibits public employees from sharing parking stalls 20 21 at their workplace; and 22 23 WHEREAS, the collaboration of the Department of 24 Transportation, Department of Accounting and General Services, 25 and Hawaii State Energy Office is required to resolve these issues, which will reduce the cost of transportation for those 26 27 who work or live in public facilities; now, therefore, 28 29 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirty-second 30 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2023, the House of Representatives concurring, that the Department of 31 32 Transportation, Department of Accounting and General Services, 33 and Hawaii State Energy Office are urged to collaborate to develop, implement, administer, and manage various 34 transportation system programs at public facilities that include 35 36 but are not limited to construction or conversion of parking stalls to accommodate electric vehicle charging, secure bicycle 37 38 storage lockers, and parking stall sharing between public 39 employees; and 40 41 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of 42 Transportation, Department of Accounting and General Services,



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and Hawaii State Energy Office are requested to consider 1 transportation options for neighbor island public employees; and 2 3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of 4 Transportation, Department of Accounting and General Services, 5 and Hawaii State Energy Office are requested to ensure that 6 available electric vehicle charging infrastructure exceeds 7 expected demand; and 8 9 10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this 11 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Director of Transportation, Comptroller, and Chief Energy Officer. 12