
HOUSE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAW ENFORCEMENT TO CONDUCT A
FEASIBILITY STUDY ON PROVIDING SECURITY TWENTY-FOUR HOURS A
DAY, SEVEN DAYS A WEEK FOR ALL STATE BUILDINGS.

1 WHEREAS, on a daily basis, the branches of state government
2 take official actions that regularly affect Hawaii residents,
3 providing ample opportunities for potential security risks to
4 arise for government agencies; and

5
6 WHEREAS, law enforcement and security professionals have
7 long understood that targeted violence toward government
8 agencies and employees is often related to an individual's
9 unhealthy reaction to life changes resulting from official
10 action taken pursuant to a government agency's mission or a
11 government employee's duties; and

12
13 WHEREAS, public officials and employees increasingly face
14 the risk of personal reprisal from individuals affected by
15 decisions made in the exercise of their official duties; and

16
17 WHEREAS, security checkpoints with metal detectors have
18 been installed at various entrances into the State Capitol
19 building in response to growing security concerns of legislative
20 members, staff, and visitors to the building; and

21
22 WHEREAS, the value of open access to state buildings, such
23 as public schools and departmental offices, must be balanced
24 with the need to ensure the physical safety and well-being of
25 the visiting public and building occupants; and

26
27 WHEREAS, it is critical to evaluate the logistical and
28 financial resources necessary to provide security for all state
29 buildings to ensure the preservation of open access and public
30 safety; now, therefore,
31



1 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
2 Thirty-second Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular
3 Session of 2024, that the Department of Law Enforcement is
4 requested to conduct a feasibility study on providing security
5 twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week for all state
6 buildings; and
7

8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in conducting the feasibility
9 study, the Department of Law Enforcement is requested to
10 consider the following:
11

- 12 (1) The costs for personnel, equipment, and training;
- 13
- 14 (2) Logistical and administrative challenges that may
15 hinder security services for all state buildings, if
16 any;
- 17
- 18 (3) Whether the Department of Law Enforcement would need
19 to contract with a private entity or agency to provide
20 the scope of security services;
- 21
- 22 (4) Other states' policies and procedures where security
23 is provided to state buildings twenty-four hours a
24 day, seven days a week, if any;
- 25
- 26 (5) Collaboration opportunities with external law
27 enforcement agencies to provide security services; and
28
- 29 (6) Other relevant issues or concerns related to providing
30 security for all state buildings; and
31

32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Law
33 Enforcement is requested to submit a report of its findings and
34 recommendations, including any proposed legislation, no later
35 than twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular Session
36 of 2025; and
37

38 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this
39 Resolution be transmitted to the Director of Law Enforcement.
40
41
42



H.R. NO. 83

OFFERED BY:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'C. A.', written over a horizontal line.

MAR 07 2024

