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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING A SUNRISE REVIEW ON THE REGULATION OF PERSONS WHO APPREHEND BAIL FUGITIVES.

WHEREAS, bail bonding agents, backed by surety insurance companies, make possible the pretrial release of defendants, at no expense to the taxpayers, by providing assurances that people charged with crimes will appear as scheduled to answer those charges; and

WHEREAS, because persons who recover and apprehend bail fugitives have very broad common law powers of arrest, some states have enacted laws regulating the conduct of persons who apprehend bail fugitives in order to protect the public against abuses; and

WHEREAS, H.B. Nos. 129 and 1882, introduced during the Regular Session of 2007, would prohibit some persons from holding themselves out as bail fugitive recovery persons unless registered with the Attorney General; and

WHEREAS, the Auditor is required pursuant to section 26H-6, Hawaii Revised Statutes, to conduct sunrise reviews of new regulatory measures identified through a concurrent resolution; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the Twenty-fourth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2008, the Senate concurring, that the Auditor is respectfully requested to conduct a sunrise review on the regulation of bail agents as contemplated under H.B. Nos. 129 and 1882, introduced during the Regular Session of 2007; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Auditor is requested to submit a report of any findings and recommendations, including

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proposed legislation, to the Legislature not later than twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular Session of 2009; and

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OFFERED BY:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this

Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Auditor and the

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