
HOUSE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE STATE AND COUNTIES TO PROVIDE FOR THE SHARING OF THE SAME LOCATION FOR EDUCATIONAL, RECREATIONAL, HEALTH, AND HUMAN SERVICES PROGRAMS IN PROPERTIES THAT ARE ABANDONED, EXCESS, AND UNDERUTILIZED PROPERTIES UNDER THEIR RESPECTIVE JURISDICTION.

1 WHEREAS, the state and county governments are landowners or
2 lessees of real properties and buildings that are intended to
3 serve the public purpose; and
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5 WHEREAS, if these properties and buildings are abandoned,
6 unused, underutilized, or otherwise in excess of their
7 respective need, the public purpose is not served; and
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9 WHEREAS, these properties hold the potential for public
10 purpose use to provide government and community services,
11 including educational, recreational, health, and human services
12 programs, as well as housing, early learning centers, and senior
13 services; and
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15 WHEREAS, private providers of educational, recreational,
16 health, and human services programs need a location for offices
17 and operations; and
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19 WHEREAS, the lack of affordable land and buildings are
20 critical impediments to providing educational, recreational,
21 health, and human services programs; and
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23 WHEREAS, providers of educational, recreational, health,
24 and human services programs, including the state and counties,
25 could leverage the use of existing properties under their
26 respective jurisdiction by co-locating on the same property
27 various educational, recreational, health, and human services
28 programs to address multiple community needs, including but not
29 limited to, programs benefiting children, youth, seniors and
30 elderly, and families; and
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32 WHEREAS, an example of maximizing property usage by co-
33 sharing is allowing educational, recreational, health, and human



1 services program providers, including the State and counties, to
2 share the use of property of a public school that has a
3 declining enrollment and may be in jeopardy of closing; now,
4 therefore,

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6 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
7 Twenty-fourth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular
8 Session of 2008, that the Department of Education, Department of
9 Land and Natural Resources, and the planning department of the
10 respective counties are requested to compile a report that lists
11 every property under their respective jurisdiction that are:

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13 (1) Land or buildings, or both;
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15 (2) Abandoned, underutilized, unused, underutilized, or
16 otherwise in excess of their respective needs;
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18 (3) Hold the potential for use to provide human services,
19 including but not limited to, housing, early learning
20 centers, and senior and elderly services; and
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22 (4) With regard to public schools, those schools that face
23 the prospect of closure or consolidation with another
24 school and whose facilities would be suitable for use
25 to provide multiple community needs in human services;
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28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that for each such property, the
29 report include information on the location, tax map key, zoning,
30 land classification, ownership, current status of use, a
31 description and pictures of the building, and whether the
32 property or building, or both, would be suitable for use to
33 provide educational, recreational, health, and human services
34 programs; and
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36 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Superintendent of
37 Education; Department of Land and Natural Resources, Honolulu
38 Department of Planning and Permitting, Hawaii County Planning
39 Department, Kauai County Department of Planning, and Maui
40 Department of Planning submit their respective report to the
41 Legislature (attention to the Senate Committee on Human Services
42 and Public Housing, and the House Committee on Human Services
43 and Housing) not later than twenty days prior to the convening
44 of the Regular Session of 2009; and



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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the Superintendent of Education; Chairperson of the Board of Land and Natural Resources; Director of Human Services; Director of Health; Director of the Honolulu Department of Planning and Permitting; Director of the Hawaii County Planning Department; Director of the Kauai County Department of Planning; and the Director of the Maui Department of Planning.

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