
SENATE RESOLUTION

URGING THE STATE OF HAWAII TO PROVIDE PERMANENT STAFFING AND
FUNDING FOR THE HAWAII STATE ENERGY OFFICE.

1 WHEREAS, the Hawaii State Energy Office within the
2 Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism has
3 duties prescribed by law and provides services essential to the
4 welfare of Hawaii's people and economy; and
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6 WHEREAS, the Hawaii State Energy Office is the lead state
7 agency responsible for implementing the Hawaii Clean Energy
8 Initiative, which has introduced funding and technical resources
9 for Hawaii to achieve energy independence from imported fossil
10 fuels; and
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12 WHEREAS, to adequately execute all the duties and
13 responsibilities of the Office, including its several branches,
14 the Hawaii State Energy Office should have adequate funding and
15 staffing; and
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17 WHEREAS, the Hawaii State Energy Office is currently
18 completely funded by the federal Petroleum Violation Fund and
19 American Recovery and Reinvestment Act moneys that will expire
20 by the end of the next fiscal year; and
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22 WHEREAS, for energy system requirements to be met and
23 federal participation in the Hawaii Clean Energy Initiative to
24 continue, the Hawaii State Energy Office will require dedicated
25 state funding; now, therefore,
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27 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-fifth
28 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2010,
29 that the State of Hawaii is urged to provide permanent staff and
30 funding required by the Hawaii State Energy Office to fulfill
31 its duties; and
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33 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
34 Resolution be transmitted to the Governor; Director of Business,
35 Economic Development, and Tourism; Director of Finance; and the
36 Director of Taxation.

