
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE CONVENING OF A HAWAIIAN CULTURAL RESOURCES
WORKING GROUP TO DEVELOP AN ACTION PLAN FOR THE
ESTABLISHMENT AND MAINTENANCE OF A COMPREHENSIVE HAWAIIAN
CULTURAL RESOURCES INVENTORY DATABASE.

1 WHEREAS, a successful, sustainable tourism industry in
2 Hawaii honors Hawaii's host culture, its people, and its
3 history; protects its unique natural environment; and engages
4 local communities; and
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6 WHEREAS, Hawaiians and the Hawaiian culture are what
7 continue to make Hawaii unique and different from other
8 destinations around the world; and
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10 WHEREAS, many organizations, businesses, and other entities
11 have incorporated Hawaiian cultural values, such as the Native
12 Hawaiian Hospitality Association's "Ola Hawai'i, Hawai'i Lives",
13 a train-the-trainer program for Hawaiians to provide cultural
14 education for managers and employees in the tourism industry and
15 consultation in cultural competency in the workplace; and
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17 WHEREAS, this is only one example of how the knowledge of
18 Hawaiian culture can be beneficial in a workplace setting, even
19 a workplace setting that may not be directly involved with
20 Hawaiian cultural practices and traditions; and
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22 WHEREAS, while numerous Hawaiian and other organizations
23 and agencies compile and maintain cultural resource information,
24 there is no central collection point for this valuable
25 information; and
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27 WHEREAS, a centralized cultural resources inventory would
28 provide resources to help visitor industry businesses create a
29 uniquely Hawaiian visitor experience from arrival to departure;
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1 WHEREAS, there is a compelling need to compile and maintain
2 comprehensive information regarding Hawaii's extensive Hawaiian
3 cultural resources and programs that incorporate these resources
4 if these resources are to be preserved and the knowledge passed
5 on; now, therefore,
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7 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
8 Twenty-sixth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session
9 of 2011, the Senate concurring, that the Office of Hawaiian
10 Affairs is requested to convene a Hawaiian Cultural Resources
11 Working Group to:

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- 13 (1) Develop an action plan for the establishment and
14 maintenance of a comprehensive Hawaiian cultural
15 resources inventory database; and
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 - 17 (2) Locate and identify a place for Hawaiians to gather
18 and meet;
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22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the working group include
23 representatives from the Office of Hawaiian Affairs, Association
24 of Hawaiian Civic Clubs, the Council for Native Hawaiian
25 Advancement, the Native Hawaiian Hospitality Association, the
26 Hawaii Tourism Authority, the Hawaii Hotel and Lodging
27 Association, and the State Foundation on Culture and the Arts;
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30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the action plan consider the
31 incorporation of:
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- 33 (1) Information relating to Hawaiian cultural resources,
34 including publicly available information and cultural
35 programs and activities from private entities or
36 organizations;
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- 38 (2) Programs and activities with particular relevance to
39 the visitor industry;
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- 41 (3) Activities promoted by local organizations and
42 community groups to organize Hawaiians and disseminate
43 information about Hawaiian culture; and



- 1 (4) Other relevant information, as appropriate, to
2 strengthen the knowledge base of Hawaiian cultural
3 resources statewide; and
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5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the action plan include
6 specific recommendations for:
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- 8 (1) Making the information accessible, including through
9 online and other technologically-based access;
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11 (2) Personnel, financial, and other resources necessary to
12 establish and maintain a comprehensive Hawaiian
13 cultural resources inventory database;
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15 (3) Strategies to maximize utilization and implementation
16 of the Hawaiian cultural resources inventory database
17 in the area of workforce development (e.g., development
18 of a standardized curriculum in native Hawaiian culture
19 and creation of an award recognizing excellence in
20 integrating native Hawaiian culture and values in the
21 workplace);
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23 (4) The entity to house and maintain the inventory
24 database; and
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26 (5) A timeline, from the planning through data collection
27 and completion of the initial inventory;
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31 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Office of Hawaiian Affairs
32 submit the action plan developed by the Hawaiian Cultural
33 Resources Working Group to the Governor and the Legislature no
34 later than 20 days prior to the convening of the Regular Session
35 of 2012; and
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37 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
38 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Governor,
39 Chairperson of the Board of Trustees of the Office of Hawaiian
40 Affairs, President of the Association of Hawaiian Civic Clubs,
41 Chairperson of the Board of the Council for Native Hawaiian
42 Advancement, Chairperson of the Board of the Native Hawaiian
43 Hospitality Association, Chairperson of the Board of Directors
44 of the Hawaii Tourism Authority, Chairperson of the Board of

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- 1 Directors of the Hawaii Hotel and Lodging Association, and
- 2 Executive Director of the State Foundation on Culture and the
- 3 Arts.

