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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE AUDITOR TO PERFORM A FINANCIAL AND PERFORMANCE
AUDIT OF THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS.

1 WHEREAS, the State Constitution states that "All eligible
2 public officers, before entering upon the duties of their
3 respective offices, shall take and subscribe to the following
4 oath or affirmation: 'I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I
5 will support and defend the Constitution of the United States,
6 and the Constitution of the State of Hawaii, and that I will
7 faithfully discharge my duties asto the best of
8 my ability'"; and
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10 WHEREAS, in performing their job duties, the administration
11 and management of the Department of Commerce and Consumer
12 Affairs (DCCA), as well as the agencies and groups under their
13 purview, are bound to follow the laws and administrative rules
14 of Hawaii; and
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16 WHEREAS, the DCCA has recently accepted a sub-standard
17 internal audit from an agency under their purview and the total
18 cost of this alleged sub-standard audit amounted to \$80,000; and
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20 WHEREAS, a financial and performance audit would assure the
21 State and the public that funds for these audits are being spent
22 appropriately and that financial accountability is transparent
23 in quasi-governmental and state agencies; and
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25 WHEREAS, section 23-5(a), Hawaii Revised Statutes,
26 authorizes the state Auditor to examine and inspect all
27 accounts, books, records, files, papers, and documents, and all
28 financial affairs of every covered department, office agency,
29 and political subdivision and under section 23-1, Hawaii Revised
30 Statutes, the Auditor's jurisdiction includes quasi-public
31 institutions supported in whole or in part by, or that handle,
32 state or public funds; now, therefore,
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1 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-sixth
2 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2012, the
3 House of Representatives concurring, that the Auditor is
4 requested to perform a financial and performance audit of the
5 Department of Commerce and Consumer Affairs; and
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7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director of Commerce and
8 Consumer Affairs is requested to cooperate fully with the
9 Auditor in the conducting of the financial and performance
10 audit; and
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12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Auditor is requested to
13 submit the results of the financial and performance audit,
14 including any proposed legislation, to the Legislature no later
15 than twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular Session
16 of 2013; and
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18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
19 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Auditor, Attorney
20 General, and Director of the Department of Commerce and Consumer
21 Affairs.
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OFFERED BY:

