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## SENATE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES TO INSCRIBE  
"E PLURIBUS UNUM" ON ITS ELECTRONIC BENEFIT TRANSFER CARDS.

1           WHEREAS, in Hawaii, more than 187,000 residents receive  
2 federal assistance through the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance  
3 Program (SNAP); and  
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5           WHEREAS, thirty-seven thousand Hawaii residents receive  
6 federal assistance through the Women, Infants, and Children  
7 program (WIC); and  
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9           WHEREAS, the financial assistance is carried on Electronic  
10 Benefit Transfer (EBT) cards issued to program participants; and  
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12           WHEREAS, the EBT cards are used as currency to purchase  
13 food items in local stores, as if it was cash; and  
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15           WHEREAS, the funding for the monies on the EBT cards come  
16 from the federal government; now, therefore,  
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18           BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Legislature of the  
19 State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2013, that the Department of  
20 Human Services is requested to inscribe "E Pluribus Unum" or  
21 "Liberty; In God We Trust" on its Electronic Benefit Transfer  
22 cards issued to recipients of financial assistance; and  
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24           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
25 Resolution be transmitted to the Director of Human Services.  
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OFFERED BY: 

