
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DIRECTOR OF HEALTH TO EXTEND THE TASK FORCE
STUDYING THE EFFECTS OF THE JANUARY 2014 FUEL TANK LEAK AT
THE RED HILL UNDERGROUND FUEL STORAGE FACILITY.

1 WHEREAS, on January 13, 2014, fuel operators at the seventy
2 year old Red Hill Underground Fuel Storage Facility discovered a
3 fuel leak that risked contamination to the groundwater aquifer
4 below; and
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6 WHEREAS, in 2014, pursuant to Senate Concurrent Resolution
7 73, House Draft 1 (2014), the Department of Health convened a
8 task force to study, and report on, the effects of the January
9 2014 fuel leak; and
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11 WHEREAS, in December 2014, the task force submitted a
12 report to the Legislature containing comments and
13 recommendations from the task force, Department of Health,
14 Department of Land and Natural Resources, Honolulu Board of
15 Water Supply, Environmental Protection Agency, and the United
16 States Navy; and
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18 WHEREAS, a negotiated agreement protecting the drinking
19 water, agreed upon by the Department of Health, the
20 Environmental Protection Agency, and the United States Navy, has
21 not yet been finalized; and
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23 WHEREAS, the need for the task force continues; now,
24 therefore,
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26 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
27 Twenty-eighth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular
28 Session of 2015, the Senate concurring, that the Director of
29 Health is requested to extend the task force studying the



1 effects of the January 2014 fuel tank leak at the Red Hill
2 Underground Fuel Storage Facility; and
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4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director of Health is
5 requested to continue serving as the Chairperson of the task
6 force, to invite the same interested parties to continue serving
7 as members of the task force, and to invite any additional
8 interested parties whose participation the Director of Health
9 deems appropriate; and
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11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force is requested to
12 monitor developments and gather new information about the Red
13 Hill fuel tanks and the impact of the January 2014 leak for
14 purposes of supplementing its 2014 report; and
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16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Health is
17 requested to provide any necessary administrative, professional,
18 technical, and clerical support to the task force; and
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20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director of Health is
21 requested to submit a supplemental report of the task force's
22 findings and recommendations, including any proposed
23 legislation, to the Legislature no later than twenty days prior
24 to the convening of the Regular Session of 2016; and
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26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
27 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Director of Health,
28 the Commander of the United States Pacific Fleet, the Commander
29 of the United States Pacific Command, the Environmental
30 Protection Agency's Pacific Islands Contact Office, the
31 Chairperson of the Board of Land and Natural Resources, and the
32 Manager and Chief Engineer of the Honolulu Board of Water
33 Supply.
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