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## HOUSE RESOLUTION

URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES, DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, AND THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU TO TAKE NECESSARY STEPS TO EXPEDITE CONSTRUCTION FOR THE EXPANSION AND IMPROVEMENT OF THE REPLACEMENT WASH-DOWN STATIONS AT MAUNALUA BAY.

1           WHEREAS, Maunalua Bay in Hawaii Kai on the island of Oahu  
2 is a favorite spot for canoe paddlers, boaters, kayakers,  
3 fishers, and picnickers; and  
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5           WHEREAS, Maunalua Bay once had four wash-down stations,  
6 located away from the vehicle traffic of the bay, where boaters  
7 could safely wash their boats and other belongings after  
8 returning from the ocean; and  
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10           WHEREAS, deterioration of the wash-down area pavement, and  
11 Department of Health regulations prohibiting water run-off from  
12 draining directly into the ocean, forced the State to relocate  
13 the wash-down stations to a different location at Maunalua Bay;  
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16           WHEREAS, the new wash-down stations can only accommodate  
17 three boats and are configured so that usually only two boats  
18 can use the stations at one time; and  
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20           WHEREAS, the new wash-down stations lack proper lighting,  
21 are located in an area of high vehicle traffic, add to the  
22 traffic congestion of the bay and Hawaii Kai Drive, and are  
23 dangerous to use; and  
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25           WHEREAS, the Department of Land and Natural Resources is  
26 working toward expanding and improving the new wash-down  
27 stations, but is encountering difficulty due to some of the land  
28 for the proposed expansion area being owned by the City and  
29 County of Honolulu; and  
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1 WHEREAS, expansion and improvement of the new wash-down  
2 stations require certification from the Department of Health  
3 that any resulting discharge will not violate applicable water  
4 quality standards, in accordance with section 401(a)(1) of the  
5 federal Clean Water Act; and

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7 WHEREAS, the Department of Health is required under state  
8 law to adopt rules specifying a maximum time period to grant or  
9 deny a business- or development-related permit, license, or  
10 approval; and

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12 WHEREAS, the Department of Health has adopted rules  
13 providing that if the Director of Health fails or refuses to act  
14 on a request for certification within one year after receipt of  
15 a complete water quality certification application, then  
16 specified certification requirements must be waived with respect  
17 to the concurrently required federal application; and

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19 WHEREAS, the Department of Health's responses to government  
20 and private sector applications are often issued more than two  
21 years following a complete application submission; and

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23 WHEREAS, the time required to obtain a water quality  
24 certification is unreasonably long, is not consistent with the  
25 intent set forth in section 91-13.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes,  
26 and results in costly delays to both government and private  
27 applicants; and

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29 WHEREAS, the timely approval or disapproval of applications  
30 is a reasonable expectation and is necessary for applicants to  
31 accurately budget for and implement capital improvements and  
32 natural resource management projects; now, therefore,

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34 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the  
35 Twenty-eighth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular  
36 Session of 2015, that the Department of Land and Natural  
37 Resources, Department of Health, and City and County of Honolulu  
38 are urged to take necessary steps to expedite construction for  
39 the expansion and improvement of the replacement wash-down  
40 stations at Maunalua Bay; and  
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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
 2 Resolution be transmitted to the Chairperson of the Board of  
 3 Land and Natural Resources, the Director of Health, and the  
 4 Mayor and Council Chairperson of the City and County of  
 5 Honolulu.  
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