
SENATE RESOLUTION

URGING THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE ON AGING TO CONDUCT A STUDY ON THE
IMPACTS OF AN AGING POPULATION IN HAWAII.

1 WHEREAS, Hawaii's aging population is expected to increase;
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4 WHEREAS, seventeen percent of Hawaii's existing population
5 consists of seniors, sixty-five years of age and older; and

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7 WHEREAS, a recent report by the Centers for Disease Control
8 and Prevention found that Hawaii has the highest life expectancy
9 in the United States for those over sixty-five years of age; and

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11 WHEREAS, the State's total unfunded pension and health
12 benefit liabilities total nearly \$24,000,000,000; and

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14 WHEREAS, public employees of the baby boomer generation
15 will continue to retire over the next fifteen years; and

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17 WHEREAS, Hawaii needs to develop plans and set policies to
18 ensure that the State is prepared for a large aging population;
19 now, therefore,

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21 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-ninth
22 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2018,
23 that the Executive Office on Aging is urged to conduct a study
24 on the impacts of an aging population in Hawaii and submit a
25 report of its findings and recommendations, including any
26 proposed legislation, to the Legislature no later than twenty
27 days prior to the convening of the Regular Session of 2019; and

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29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the report is requested to
30 include:

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32 (1) Impacts of an aging population to the State's pension
33 and health benefit unfunded liabilities;

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- 1 (2) Future government services that potentially will be
- 2 needed;
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- 4 (3) Recommendations on what is needed to prevent adverse
- 5 impacts of an aging population; and
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- 7 (4) An assessment of the availability of long-term care
- 8 services and bed space in Hawaii; and
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10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this
11 Resolution be transmitted to the Director of the Executive
12 Office on Aging.

