REQUESTING THE HAWAII STATE ENERGY OFFICE, DEPARTMENT OF
AGRICULTURE, AND DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES
TO DEVELOP AND PRESENT A PLAN TO UTILIZE APPROPRIATE STATE
LAND FOR RENEWABLE ENERGY PROJECTS.

WHEREAS, section 269-92, Hawaii Revised Statutes,
establishes the goal that, by 2045, all electric energy
generated in the State shall be from renewable energy sources; and

WHEREAS, in 2016, Governor David Ige pledged to double
local food production by 2030; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Agriculture and Department of
Land and Natural Resources each have large land portfolios,
including acres of land not used for their mission; and

WHEREAS, much of that land has the potential to house
renewable energy projects; and

WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the Hawaii State
Energy Office to promote renewable energy generation; now,
therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirtieth Legislature
of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2020, that the Hawaii
State Energy Office, Department of Agriculture, and Department
of Land and Natural Resources are requested to develop and
present a plan to utilize state land for renewable energy
projects for the benefit of achieving the one hundred percent
renewable energy goal established by section 269-92, Hawaii
Revised Statutes; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the plan include an estimate of
the land available for renewable energy projects, potential
renewable energy capabilities by resource and wattage, and any
required land entitlements; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the plan also recommend policies to efficiently and effectively accomplish renewable energy goals; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the plan be cognizant of the potential impacts to neighboring communities; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Hawaii State Energy Office, Department of Agriculture, and Department of Land and Natural Resources are requested to memorialize the plan in writing and submit it to the Legislature no later than twenty days prior to the Regular Session of 2021; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Resolution be transmitted to Chairperson of the Board of Agriculture, Chairperson of the Board of Land and Natural Resources, and Chief Energy Officer.

OFFERED BY:

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