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# SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE HAWAII EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY TO CONVENE A  
TASK FORCE TO STUDY AND IDENTIFY APPROPRIATE STOCKPILE  
STORAGE FACILITY OPTIONS TO STORE AND DISTRIBUTE EMERGENCY  
SUPPLIES IN THE STATE OF HAWAII.

1           WHEREAS, the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic  
2 has ravaged the State's available inventories of personal  
3 protection equipment and other medical products and supplies;  
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6           WHEREAS, the COVID-19 pandemic has identified a critical  
7 gap in the State's ability to mitigate impacts on its vulnerable  
8 supply chain; and

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10          WHEREAS, there is a pressing need for the State to  
11 accumulate reserves of critical supplies to provide to the  
12 counties and communities during an emergency and within a  
13 reasonable time of the State's decision to deploy the stockpiled  
14 reserves; and

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16          WHEREAS, an appropriate stockpile storage facility is  
17 necessary to prepare for future natural disasters and pandemics  
18 to supplement and resupply state and local inventories of  
19 essential supplies during emergencies that may be severe enough  
20 to exhaust local supplies; and

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22          WHEREAS, a single stockpile storage facility in a central  
23 location may be inefficient due to limited air and sea delivery  
24 assets during a natural disaster or pandemic causing delays  
25 which may hinder the distribution of emergency supplies to all  
26 four counties in Hawaii; and

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28          WHEREAS, the creation of a task force to identify  
29 appropriate stockpile storage facility options would present  
30 possible solutions as to whether it is more appropriate to have  
31 a single storage facility on the island of Oahu or whether it



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1 may be more prudent to utilize multiple storage facilities  
2 spread throughout the four counties in the State to effectively  
3 and efficiently distribute emergency supplies; now, therefore,  
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5 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirty-first  
6 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2021, the  
7 House of Representatives concurring, that the Hawaii Emergency  
8 Management Agency, in coordination with the Department of  
9 Defense, Department of Health, and Hawaii Technology Development  
10 Corporation, is requested to convene a task force to study  
11 whether the State would benefit from stockpiling emergency  
12 supplies in a single facility or in multiple storage facilities  
13 located in each of the four counties; and  
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15 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force shall consist of  
16 fourteen members designated as follows:  
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- 18 (1) The Director of the Hawaii Emergency Management  
19 Agency, or the Director's designee, who shall serve as  
20 Chairperson;  
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- 22 (2) A representative from the Department of Defense;  
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- 24 (3) The Executive Director from the Hawaii Technology  
25 Development Corporation, or the Executive Director's  
26 designee;  
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- 28 (4) One representative from the Governor's office,  
29 appointed by the Governor;  
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- 31 (5) One representative from the Senate, appointed by the  
32 President of the Senate;  
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- 34 (6) One representative from the House of Representatives,  
35 appointed by the Speaker of the House of  
36 Representatives;  
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- 38 (7) Two representatives from the Hawaii County, appointed  
39 by the Mayor of Hawaii County;  
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- 1           (8) Two representatives from the City and County of  
2           Honolulu, appointed by the Mayor of the City and  
3           County of Honolulu;
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- 5           (9) Two representatives from the County of Kauai,  
6           appointed by the Mayor of Kauai County; and  
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- 8           (10) Two representatives from the County of Maui, appointed  
9           by the Mayor of Maui County; and  
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11           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all members of the task force  
12 be appointed no later than thirty days after the last day of the  
13 Regular Session of 2021, and that the task force convene its  
14 initial meeting on or before July 1, 2021; and  
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16           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force is requested to  
17 submit a report of its findings and recommendations, including  
18 any proposed legislation, to the Legislature not later than  
19 January 31, 2022; and  
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21           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force include in its  
22 report appropriate locations for the construction of a state  
23 stockpile storage facility or facilities in which to stockpile  
24 emergency supplies necessary for responding to natural disasters  
25 and pandemics and the location or locations identified shall be:  
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- 27           (1) On state land;
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- 29           (2) Reasonably secured or easily capable of being  
30           reasonably secured;
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- 32           (3) Outside of the inundation zone;
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- 34           (4) Within a one-mile radius of an airfield; and  
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- 36           (5) Near state, county, and federal first responder  
37           agencies; and  
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39           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force shall dissolve  
40 on July 1, 2022; and  
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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
2 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Director of the  
3 Hawaii Emergency Management Agency, Executive Director of Hawaii  
4 Technology Development Corporation, Mayor of Hawaii County,  
5 Mayor of the City and County of Honolulu, Mayor of Kauai County,  
6 and Mayor of Maui County.

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