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# SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION DIVISION OF THE  
DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO FORMULATE AND  
PROVIDE A FIVE-YEAR PLAN FOR EXISTING AND UPCOMING  
PROJECTS.

1 WHEREAS, the Legislature finds that section 6E-42, Hawaii  
2 Revised Statutes (Section 6E-42), plays an essential role in the  
3 protection and management of the State's historical places,  
4 burial sites, and aviation artifacts; and

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6 WHEREAS, Section 6E-42 requires agencies and officers of  
7 the State and its subdivisions prior to project approval, to  
8 submit for review by the Department of Land and Natural  
9 Resources' State Historic Preservation Division all projects  
10 that may affect historic properties; and

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12 WHEREAS, due to the current demands for new housing  
13 construction, increases in development of commercial properties,  
14 and the need for added infrastructure to support the  
15 construction and developments, there is an unacceptably large  
16 backlog of proposed projects that require review and comment  
17 required by the state historic preservation law before the State  
18 or any of the counties can approve the project, issue permits,  
19 license certificates, land use change, subdivision or other  
20 requirements for use; now, therefore,

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22 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirty-first  
23 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2021, the  
24 House of Representatives concurring, that the Department of Land  
25 and Natural Resources is requested to formulate and provide a  
26 five-year plan to ensure that the review of existing and  
27 upcoming projects within the State Historic Preservation  
28 Division occurs within a four-month timeframe; and  
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# S.C.R. NO. 232

1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the State Historic Preservation  
2 Division is urged to review proposed projects as statutorily  
3 required in an expeditious manner, while ensuring that  
4 significant historic properties receive consideration consistent  
5 with existing practices; and

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7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Land and  
8 Natural Resources is requested to submit a report to the  
9 Legislature on the status and progress of its five-year plan of  
10 project reviews and an organizational chart of the State  
11 Historic Preservation Division no later than twenty days prior  
12 to the convening of the Regular Session of 2022; and

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14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
15 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Chairperson of the  
16 Board of Land and Natural Resources and Director of the State  
17 Historic Preservation Division.

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OFFERED BY:

