
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO
CONDUCT A FEASIBILITY AND COST STUDY RELATING TO THE
CONSTRUCTION OF A BOAT RAMP IN PUKO'O, MOLOKA'I.

1 WHEREAS, due to shallow mud flats and fringing reefs in
2 certain areas on the island of Moloka'i, there are few areas with
3 sufficiently deep channels for safe and easy marine access; and
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5 WHEREAS, during low tide on the east end of Moloka'i, it is
6 impossible to launch or dock boats; and
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8 WHEREAS, currently, boaters on the east end of Moloka'i must
9 travel to Kaunakakai Harbor, a trip that takes a substantial
10 amount of time and expends a great amount of fuel; and
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12 WHEREAS, most families on the east end of Moloka'i rely on
13 the sea for their daily source of food; and
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15 WHEREAS, today, with fewer edible food resources close to
16 shore, fishermen are forced to travel farther out to sea to
17 catch fish; and
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19 WHEREAS, nearly all of the available commodities and
20 merchandise for retail on the island are shipped to Moloka'i,
21 which increases those costs for residents and forces them to
22 fish as a necessity to supplement their diet; and
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24 WHEREAS, the Department of Land and Natural Resources has
25 jurisdiction over small boat ramp facilities pursuant to chapter
26 266, Hawaii Revised Statutes; and
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28 WHEREAS, a small boat ramp facility such as the one located
29 at Hana Harbor may be necessary for Moloka'i residents on the
30 east end of Moloka'i; and
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1 WHEREAS, the Legislature finds that the island of Moloka'i
 2 needs a new boat ramp to service the residents, particularly
 3 those living on the east end of Moloka'i; and

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 5 WHEREAS, before a boat ramp facility is constructed, a
 6 feasibility and cost study by the Department of Land and Natural
 7 Resources is necessary; now, therefore,

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 9 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
 10 Twenty-eighth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular
 11 Session of 2015, the Senate concurring, that the Department of
 12 Land and Natural Resources is requested to conduct a feasibility
 13 and cost study relating to the construction of a boat ramp in
 14 Puko'o, Moloka'i; and

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 16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Land and
 17 Natural Resources submit a report to the Legislature no later
 18 than twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular Session
 19 of 2016, with its findings and recommendations relating to the
 20 feasibility and cost of constructing a boat ramp in Puko'o,
 21 Moloka'i; and

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 23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this
 24 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Chairperson of the
 25 Board of Land and Natural Resources.

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