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## HOUSE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO  
CONSIDER REQUIRING THAT EMPLOYEES OF WATERSPORT EXCURSION  
COMPANIES WHO TAKE CUSTOMERS ON WATERSPORT EXCURSIONS  
RECEIVE LIFEGUARD TRAINING AND CERTIFICATION.

1           WHEREAS, watersport excursion companies are commercial  
2 operations that take customers on excursions for the purpose of  
3 engaging in watersports, such as kayaking, snorkeling, and scuba  
4 diving; and

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6           WHEREAS, watersport excursion companies, as well as other  
7 commercial recreational operations, are required to obtain a  
8 permit from the Division of Boating and Ocean Recreation of the  
9 Department of Land and Natural Resources; and

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11           WHEREAS, the administrative rules of the Department of Land  
12 and Natural Resources do not currently require the employees of  
13 watersport excursion companies to be trained to render aid in  
14 the event of an emergency; and

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16           WHEREAS, taking consumers on watersport excursions without  
17 personnel present who are able to render aid if an emergency  
18 occurs raises potential safety issues; now, therefore,

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20           BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the  
21 Twenty-eighth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular  
22 Session of 2015, that the Department of Land and Natural  
23 Resources is requested to consider adopting administrative rules  
24 requiring employees of watersport excursion companies who take  
25 customers on watersport excursions to receive lifeguard training  
26 and certification; and

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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this  
2 Resolution be transmitted to the Chairperson of the Board of  
3 Land and Natural Resources.  
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