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SENATE RESOLUTION

URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND GENERAL SERVICES TO
DEVELOP A COMPREHENSIVE RECYCLING PROGRAM TO BE IMPLEMENTED
IN ALL OFFICES AT THE HAWAII STATE CAPITOL.

1 WHEREAS, Hawaii benefits from natural beauty and unique
2 ecosystems that are vital to the State's culture, economy, and
3 way of life; and
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5 WHEREAS, the State faces significant environmental
6 challenges due to its limited land availability and the growing
7 pressures of waste management; and
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9 WHEREAS, landfill space in Hawaii is critically limited,
10 and the expansion of landfills threatens the State's environment
11 and communities; and
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13 WHEREAS, recycling reduces the need for landfills,
14 conserves natural resources, minimizes the environmental impact
15 of waste, and offers a sustainable solution to some of the
16 State's waste management issues; and
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18 WHEREAS, Hawaii has established goals to reduce, reuse, and
19 recycle waste products but has not made these efforts mandatory,
20 which limits their effectiveness and participation rates; and
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22 WHEREAS, the Legislature should lead by example in
23 environmental stewardship efforts, demonstrating the State's
24 commitment to sustainable practices; and
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26 WHEREAS, a comprehensive recycling program at the Hawaii
27 State Capitol would serve as a model for sustainable waste
28 management practices and would encourage businesses,
29 organizations, and individuals to adopt similar recycling
30 measures; now, therefore,
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32 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirty-second
33 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2024,
34 that the Department of Accounting and General Services is urged
35 to develop a comprehensive recycling program, with specific



1 focus on the collection of HI-5 recyclable items, to be
2 implemented in all offices at the Hawaii State Capitol; and
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4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
5 Resolution be transmitted to the Governor, Comptroller, and
6 Speaker of the House of Representatives.
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OFFERED BY:

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