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## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING A FINANCIAL AND MANAGEMENT AUDIT OF THE WARRANTS SECTION OF THE SHERIFF DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY.

WHEREAS, the Sheriff Division of the Department of Public Safety continues to experience a significant backlog of outstanding arrest warrants; and

WHEREAS, recent reports in the local media have highlighted serious issues with regard to the processing and serving of warrants issued in the State of Hawaii; and

WHEREAS, the public has expressed concern over the impact outstanding arrest warrants have on their safety; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature is also concerned about the impact of the significant backlog of outstanding arrest warrants on the public's safety and the loss of revenue to the State; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature is committed to ensuring the public's safety and to serving individuals with outstanding arrest warrants in a timely fashion; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the Twenty-third Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2006, the Senate concurring, that the Auditor is requested to conduct a financial and management audit of the Warrants Section of the Sheriff Division of the Department of Public Safety; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Auditor is requested to submit findings and recommendations to the Legislature, including any necessary legislation, not later than twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular Session of 2007; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Governor, the Auditor, and the Director of Public Safety.

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