
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS TO
REVIEW AND REPORT ON THE CREATION OF AN ADMINISTRATOR AND
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT POSITION FOR THE STATE FIRE
COUNCIL.

1 WHEREAS, the State Fire Council(SFC), which consists of the
2 fire chiefs of each of Hawaii's four counties, was established
3 under Section 132-16, Hawaii Revised Statutes; and
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5 WHEREAS, while the SFC has many functions, some of its main
6 duties include adopting the State Fire Code, coordinating
7 applications to the federal government for grant assistance for
8 fire-related projects, and coordinating and administering these
9 grants; and
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11 WHEREAS, the SFC also undertakes a number of fire-
12 prevention initiatives and duties, including performing fire
13 inspections and promoting fire prevention through the media and
14 other means; and
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16 WHEREAS, although administratively attached to the
17 Department of Labor and Industrial Relations (DLIR), current law
18 does not provide for the SFC to have a dedicated administrator
19 and administrative assistant, which has made it difficult for
20 the SFC to fully perform all of its functions and duties in the
21 most efficient manner; and
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23 WHEREAS, as a result, many of the functions of the SFC have
24 been assumed by the county fire departments, which has caused
25 personnel problems for the respective county fire departments,
26 who have to shift personnel to perform the duties of the SFC;
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1 WHEREAS, to enhance the effectiveness and efficiency of the
 2 SFC, DLIR should allow for the hiring of an administrator and
 3 administrative assistant to assist the SFC in its operations;
 4 now, therefore,

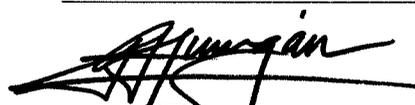
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 6 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
 7 Twenty-fourth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular
 8 Session of 2007, the Senate concurring, that DLIR is requested
 9 to review the benefits and negative aspects of creating an
 10 administrator and administrative assistant position for the SFC;
 11 and

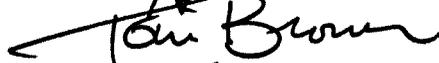
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 13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that DLIR submit a report of its
 14 findings and recommendations, including any necessary
 15 legislation, to the Legislature no later than 20 days prior to
 16 the Regular Session of 2008, on the prospect of establishing an
 17 administrator and administrative assistant position for the SFC;
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 20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
 21 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Director of Labor
 22 and Industrial Relations, the State Fire Council, and the chief
 23 of the fire department of each county.

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