HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE SENATE PRESIDENT AND THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TO ESTABLISH A TASK FORCE ON REINVENTING GOVERNMENT TO EXAMINE THE CURRENT OPERATIONS AND ORGANIZATION OF STATE GOVERNMENT AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS ON MAKING STATE GOVERNMENT MORE EFFICIENT.

WHEREAS, the global economic crisis has significantly affected the local economy, resulting in high unemployment rates, foreclosures, productivity losses, lower consumer spending, and bankruptcies; and

WHEREAS, the resulting decrease in state revenues is projected to create a \$1,760,000,000 budget shortfall for the balance of fiscal year 2008-2009 and the biennium budget period if corrective action is not taken; and

WHEREAS, despite the dismal economic outlook, the current situation presents the State with an opportunity to reevaluate and restructure operationally and organizationally to do more with fewer resources; and

WHEREAS, the State can take advantage of this opportunity to increase its efficiency not only to weather the short-term economic storm, but also to increase its resiliency and prepare for future economic challenges; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the Twenty-fifth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2009, the Senate concurring, that the Senate President and Speaker of the House of Representatives are requested to establish a task force on reinventing government to examine the current operations and organization of state government and make recommendations on making state government more efficient; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force consist of the following members:

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(1) Two members representing the financial sector, one appointed by the Senate President and one by the Speaker of the House of Representatives;

 (2) Two members representing public and private sector labor, the public sector labor representative appointed by the Senate President and the private sector labor representative by the Speaker of the House of Representatives;

(3) Two members representing the tourism industry, one appointed by the Senate President and one by the Speaker of the House of Representatives;

(4) Two members representing the Legislature, one appointed by the Senate President and one by the Speaker of the House of Representatives;

(5) One member representing the executive branch of state government, appointed by the Governor; and

(6) One member representing the Judiciary, appointed by the Chief Justice; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the members of the task force shall select a chairperson from among themselves, and the chairperson is requested to convene task force meetings; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force on reinventing government is requested to submit a report of its recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the Legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular Session of 2010; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislative Reference Bureau is requested to assist the task force in drafting the task force's recommendations and proposed legislation; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Governor, the Chief Justice, Director of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism, Hawaii Tourism Authority Board of Directors, Hawaii

- 1 Credit Union League, Hawaii Bankers Association, Hawaii
- 2 Government Employees Association, United Public Workers,
- 3 University of Hawaii Professional Assembly, Hawaii State
- 4 Teachers Association, International Longshore and Warehouse
- 5 Union, and AFL-CIO.