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## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

URGING THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION TO NOT ALLOW YOUNG BROTHERS, LTD., TO DISCONTINUE LESS-THAN-CONTAINER-LOAD SHIPPING TO AND FROM MAUI, MOLOKAI, AND LANAI.

1 WHEREAS, interisland cargo service is a vital lifeline for  
2 the islands of Hawaii, particularly the neighbor islands; and  
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4 WHEREAS, Young Brothers, Ltd. (Young Brothers), operates  
5 the state's largest interisland cargo shipping service; and  
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7 WHEREAS, reliable, affordable, convenient interisland cargo  
8 service is essential to the economy of the State and the welfare  
9 of its people; and  
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11 WHEREAS, Young Brothers has petitioned the Public Utilities  
12 Commission for approval to eliminate less-than-container-load  
13 interisland cargo service to and from Maui, Molokai, and Lanai;  
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16 WHEREAS, current customers of Young Brothers on those  
17 islands, especially farmers and ranchers on Molokai, have  
18 expressed grave concerns about the effects of Young Brothers'  
19 plans on their economic future, including fears of being unable  
20 to continue business, if less-than-container-load shipping is  
21 discontinued; and  
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23 WHEREAS, a thriving agriculture industry is crucial to the  
24 State, and any threat to the longevity of Hawaii's farmers and  
25 ranchers on the neighbor islands is a threat to the economy of  
26 the State as a whole; now, therefore,  
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28 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the  
29 Twenty-fifth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session  
30 of 2009, the Senate concurring, that the Public Utilities  
31 Commission is urged to not allow Young Brothers, Ltd., to



1   discontinue its less-than-container-load service to and from  
2   Maui, Molokai, and Lanai; and

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4           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
5   Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Chairperson of the  
6   Public Utilities Commission, the Consumer Advocate, and the  
7   Chief Executive Officer of Young Brothers, Ltd.

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OFFERED BY: Mele Carrall



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