HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TWENTY-FIFTH LEGISLATURE, 2010 STATE OF HAWAII

H.R. NO. 4

HOUSE RESOLUTION

ENCOURAGING ALL BUSINESSES AND COMMERCIAL ESTABLISHMENTS IN THE STATE OF HAWAII TO CONSERVE ENERGY BY TURNING OFF ALL LIGHTS AFTER BUSINESS HOURS.

WHEREAS, according to the United States Department of 1 2 Energy, lighting accounts for twenty to twenty-five per cent of all electricity consumed in the United States; and 3 4 WHEREAS, an average American commercial establishment 5 6 dedicates twenty to thirty per cent of its energy budget to lighting costs; and 7 8 9 WHEREAS, as of October 2009, Hawaii residents pay the highest electricity rates in the United States; and 10 11 12 WHEREAS, according to the Department of Business, Economic 13 Development, and Tourism, lighting accounts for up to forty-five per cent of the total electricity used in commercial buildings 14 in Hawaii; now, therefore, 15 16 17 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the Twenty-fifth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session 18 of 2010, that, with the exception of motion-activated lights and 19 other lighting needed for safety, the Director of Business, 20 Economic Development, and Tourism, serving as the statewide 21 Energy Resources Coordinator, is requested to encourage all 22 businesses and commercial establishments in the State to 23 conserve energy by turning off all lights after business hours; 24 and 25 26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this 27 Resolution be transmitted to the Director of Business, Economic 28 Development, and Tourism, who in turn is requested to distribute 29 copies to business organizations throughout the State. 30

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