
SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

SUPPORTING THE BUILDING OF MODULAR AND FACTORY MANUFACTURED
HOMES IN HAWAII.

1 WHEREAS, housing in Hawaii is among the most expensive in
2 the United States and infrastructure costs for roads,
3 electricity, water, and sewage are often too high for developers
4 and landowners to build in rural areas; and
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6 WHEREAS, water catchment and solar power can be built into
7 modular homes, thus allowing home construction in rural areas
8 that have little infrastructure; and
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10 WHEREAS, the use of steel framing in modular homes prevents
11 problems with subterranean termites and also makes these homes
12 resistant to hurricanes and earthquake damage; and
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14 WHEREAS, homes that are built with factory construction can
15 be moved, thus making them ideal for people who live on
16 leasehold land; and
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18 WHEREAS, by setting aside rural land banked areas, modular
19 homes can be moved to safe areas if the property is in danger of
20 a lava flow, hurricane, or flood, which would enable financial
21 institutions and insurance companies to approve mortgages and
22 insurance on homes that are in lava, hurricane, or flood
23 inundation areas; and
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25 WHEREAS, in 2002, a steel-framed housing factory on Oahu
26 manufactured homes at \$60 per square foot, as opposed to \$120 to
27 \$180 per square foot for site-built housing, demonstrating that
28 a factory manufactured home can generate cost savings of over
29 fifty per cent through the use of local materials and local
30 labor; now, therefore,
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32 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-fifth
33 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2010, the



1 House of Representatives concurring, that this body supports the
2 building of modular and factory manufactured homes in Hawaii,
3 not including trailer homes; and
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5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
6 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Governor and the
7 Mayors and Council Chairs of the respective counties of the
8 State of Hawaii.

