HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE STUDY AND DEVELOPMENT OF QUIETER ALTERNATIVES TO BACK-UP BEEPERS AMONG DELIVERY TRUCKS.

WHEREAS, Waikiki is a world-famous destination for millions 1 2 of tourists annually, and is the home of more than 27,000 3 residents; and 4 WHEREAS, tourists and residents enjoy the beauty and serene 5 6 environment of Waikiki, and that quality of life is ruined by 7 noise pollution in the morning and night hours; and 8 WHEREAS, Waikiki produces many complaints of early morning 9 10 back-up beepers from delivery trucks, some going off as early as 5:30 a.m. as they unload goods at nearby grocery stores; and 11 12 WHEREAS, efforts to require the delivery trucks' back-up 13 beepers to be disabled between 10 p.m. and 6 a.m., and for the 14 15 delivery trucks to use either a rear-view camera or spotter in its place, have not been successful; and 16 17 18 WHEREAS, in testimony submitted in 2006 and 2007, the Department of Transportation recommended a programmable switch 19 that allows delivery truck drivers to set any desired time 20 period of deactivation before beginning the backing maneuver; 21 and 22 23 WHEREAS, the Hawaii Occupational Safety and Health Division 24 of the Department of Labor and Industrial Relations (DLIR) once 25 26 used to have rules and regulations regarding audible reverse alarm systems, but those rules were eliminated; now, therefore, 27 28 29 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the Twenty-sixth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session 30

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of 2011, the Senate concurring, that the Hawaii Occupational
 Safety and Health Division of DLIR is requested to study and
 develop quieter alternatives to delivery trucks' back-up
 beepers, including promoting the use of programmable switches on
 the beepers; and

7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in studying and developing 8 quieter alternatives the DLIR consider safety and liability 9 concerns; and

11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the DLIR report to the 12 Legislature its findings and recommendations and progress in 13 developing quieter alternatives to delivery trucks' back-up 14 beepers no later than 20 days prior to the convening of the 15 Regular Session of 2012; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
Concurrent Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Director
of Labor and Industrial Relations; the Hawaii Occupational
Safety and Health Division; the Director of Business, Economic
Development, and Tourism; the Director of Transportation; and
the Board of Directors of the Hawaii Tourism Authority.

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