HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES TWENTY-SIXTH LEGISLATURE, 2011 STATE OF HAWAII

H.R. NO. 164

## HOUSE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO REEVALUATE AND UPDATE THE STATE WATER PROJECTS PLAN AND THE NORTH KONA WATER MASTER PLAN.

1 WHEREAS, under its water and land development program, the 2 Department of Land and Natural Resources is the lead state 3 agency to ensure water for state lands by investigating and 4 developing traditional and alternative water sources, conserving 5 and augmenting current supplies, and planning for future state-6 sponsored water projects; and

WHEREAS, in 1993, the Department of Land and Natural 8 Resources entered into a memorandum of understanding with six 9 state agencies and one county agency, specifically, the Hawaii 10 Housing Finance and Development Corporation, the Airports 11 Division of the Department of Transportation, the University of 12 Hawaii, the Natural Energy Laboratory of Hawaii Authority, the 13 Department of Agriculture, the Department of Land and Natural 14 Resources, and the Department of Water Supply of Hawaii County 15 to coordinate water development and system improvements to 16 support state projects in North Kona, Hawaii; and 17

19 WHEREAS, the 1995 North Kona water master plan, prepared
20 for the Department of Land and Natural Resources by Fukunaga &
21 Associates, provided a comprehensive water development plan to
22 support the memorandum of understanding for North Kona state
23 water development projects; and

25 WHEREAS, the State Water Code and the water and land 26 development program require a state water projects plan to 27 establish a framework to plan and implement water development 28 programs to meet projected state projects water requirements; 29 and

31 WHEREAS, the state water projects plan was last updated in 32 2003; and

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WHEREAS, projects in the state water projects plan 1 regarding the North Kona water master plan identify significant 2 new public water demands for the Natural Energy Laboratory of 3 Hawaii, the Kona International Airport master plan, and the 4 5 University of Hawaii Community College at Palamanui; now, therefore, 6 7 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the 8 Twenty-sixth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session 9 of 2011, that the Department of Land and Natural Resources is 10 requested to reevaluate and update the state water projects plan 11 and the North Kona water master plan in order to determine the 12 most current source, storage, and transmission requirements in 13 meeting the projected potable water demand for state projects in 14 15 North Kona: and 16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Land and 17 Natural Resources is requested to focus its efforts on the 18 project water demands of the North Kona waster master plan and 19 state water projects plan within the master plan boundary area; 20 and 21 22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Land and 23 Natural Resources is requested to submit a report of its 24 25 findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the Legislature, not later than twenty days 26 prior to the convening of the Regular Session of 2012, on the 27 estimated costs of updating those portions of the state water 28 projects plan and the North Kona water master plan in order to 29 establish water source and system requirements for the future 30 water needs of the Natural Energy Laboratory of Hawaii, the Kona 31 International Airport master plan, and Hawaii Community College 32 33 at Palamanui; and 34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this 35 Resolution be transmitted to the Governor, the Chairperson of 36 the Board of Land and Natural Resources, the Chairperson of the 37 Hawaiian Homes Commission, the Manager of the Department of 38 Water Supply of the County of Hawaii, the Chairperson of the 39 40





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Board of Directors of the Natural Energy Laboratory of Hawaii, 1 and the Chancellor of the Hawaii Community College at Palamanui. 2 3 4 5

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