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## HOUSE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES AND DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND GENERAL SERVICES TO WORK TOGETHER TO IDENTIFY SUITABLE STATE LANDS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF A HIGH TECHNOLOGY PARK ON OAHU.

1 WHEREAS, Hawaii's technology and defense-related industries have shown strong growth and potential for expansion; and 2 3 4 WHEREAS, by 2012, these industries on Oahu will have an 5 estimated 176,000 jobs, with more than 51,000 of these being 6 newly-created positions; and 7 WHEREAS, the State's workforce needs to be trained to meet 8 9 the growing demand for highly-skilled, highly-specialized labor in areas such as high technology, defense-aerospace, business, 10 and finance; and 11 12 WHEREAS, the State's ability to meet this demand will help 13 shape the future quality of life for many Hawaii residents; and 14 15 WHEREAS, the development of an employment anchor facility, 16 such as a high technology park, will be crucial for preparing 17 Hawaii's current and future workforce to adequately deal with 18 the challenges of working in high technology industries; and 19 20 WHEREAS, demand for an employment anchor facility from 21 local technology businesses and major out-of-state defense and 22 aerospace contractors who wish to establish businesses on Oahu 23 is already significant and growing; and 24 25 WHEREAS, the development of an employment anchor facility 26 in the form of a high technology park is an important first step 27 in creating and sustaining a vibrant high technology industry in 28 the State; now, therefore, 29

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BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the Twenty-sixth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2011, that this body requests the Department of Land and Natural Resources and Department of Accounting and General Services to work together to identify suitable State lands for the development of a high technology park on Oahu; and

8 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Land and 9 Natural Resources and Department of Accounting and General 10 Services are requested to submit a report of their findings and 11 recommendations regarding suitable State lands for the 12 development of a high technology park on Oahu to the Legislature 13 no later than 60 days prior to the convening of the 2012 Regular 14 Session; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
Resolution be transmitted to the Chairperson of the Board of
Land and Natural Resources and the Comptroller.

OFFERED BY:

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