
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION DIVISION OF THE
DEPARTMENT OF LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES TO CONVENE A
HISTORIC PLACES TASK FORCE.

1 WHEREAS, Hawaii's historic neighborhoods and communities
2 comprise structures and buildings that reflect a historical
3 period and the expression of culture, art, architecture, and
4 engineering by its residents; and
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6 WHEREAS, historic place designations foster civic pride in
7 the beauty and accomplishments of the past by restricting the
8 indiscriminate erection of new structures and by providing for
9 the proper maintenance and repair of existing structures; and
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11 WHEREAS, historic place designations enhance property
12 values and provide economic and financial benefits to the
13 residents of the surrounding community; and
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15 WHEREAS, historic place designations preserve and encourage
16 harmonious architectural styles, which reflect distinct phases
17 of the community and foster knowledge of the heritage of the
18 past; and
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20 WHEREAS, the State Historic Preservation Division of the
21 Department of Land and Natural Resources is required to
22 administer a comprehensive historic preservation program,
23 including the development of a statewide survey and inventory to
24 identify and document historic properties, aviation artifacts,
25 and burial sites; and
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27 WHEREAS, the Hawaii Historic Places Review Board is tasked
28 with ordering and entering historic properties into the Hawaii
29 Register of Historic Places on the basis of their value to
30 Hawaii's heritage; now, therefore,



1 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
2 Twenty-seventh Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular
3 Session of 2013, the Senate concurring, that the State Historic
4 Preservation Division of the Department of Land and Natural
5 Resources is requested to convene a historic places task force
6 to examine the feasibility of requiring the State Historic
7 Preservation Division and the Hawaii Historic Places Review
8 Board to more actively identify historic properties and
9 facilitate the entering of those properties into the Hawaii
10 Register of Historic Places; and

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12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Administrator of the State
13 Historic Preservation Division is requested to serve as
14 chairperson of the task force and to invite no fewer than seven
15 interested parties to be members of the task force, including
16 members with experience or expertise in the following:

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18 (1) The Internal Revenue Code;
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20 (2) Hawaii tax laws;
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22 (3) Urban and regional planning;
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24 (4) Business and economic development;
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26 (5) Hawaiian culture;
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28 (6) Entering historic properties into the Hawaii and
29 National Register of Historic Places; and
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31 (7) Historic preservation standards, guidelines, and best
32 practices; and
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34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force is requested to
35 conduct an economic benefit analysis that examines the costs and
36 benefits of entering a historic property or geographic region,
37 such as Honokaa, into the Hawaii Register of Historic Places;
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40 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Administrator of the State
41 Historic Preservation Division is requested to submit a report
42 of the task force's findings and recommendations, including any
43 proposed legislation, to the Legislature no later than twenty
44 days prior to the convening of the Regular Session of 2014; and



1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
2 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Governor, the
3 Chairperson of the Board of Land and Natural Resources, and the
4 Administrator of the State Historic Preservation Division of the
5 Department of Land and Natural Resources.

