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SENATE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE AUDITOR TO CONDUCT AN OPERATIONAL AND PERFORMANCE
AUDIT OF THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII COLLEGE OF TROPICAL
AGRICULTURE AND HUMAN RESOURCES.

1 WHEREAS, the University of Hawaii College of Tropical
2 Agriculture and Human Resources has research stations on Hawaii
3 Island, Kauai, Maui, Molokai, and Oahu in order to conduct
4 research and provide instruction and outreach; and

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6 WHEREAS, since 2007, the University of Hawaii College of
7 Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources has dealt with cuts to
8 its operating and capital improvement budgets; and

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10 WHEREAS, these budget cuts have resulted in deteriorating
11 structures, antiquated infrastructure, and stations that are no
12 longer used; and

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14 WHEREAS, management at the University of Hawaii College of
15 Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources must provide better
16 oversight of its facilities; and

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18 WHEREAS, underused facilities could be used to generate
19 revenue for the University of Hawaii College of Tropical
20 Agriculture and Human Resources to address budget shortfalls
21 that have hindered operations and capital improvement at
22 research stations; and

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24 WHEREAS, the University of Hawaii College of Tropical
25 Agriculture and Human Resources has not developed a plan to
26 address this problem; and

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28 WHEREAS, auditing the University of Hawaii College of
29 Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources will assess the
30 efficiency and effectiveness of its use of available resources;
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33 WHEREAS, assessing whether and how the University of Hawaii
34 College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources can better
35 utilize these facilities is a worthwhile effort; now, therefore,



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2 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-eighth
3 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2016,
4 that the Auditor is requested to conduct an operational and
5 performance audit on the University of Hawaii College of
6 Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources research stations to
7 assess whether the University of Hawaii is managing its research
8 stations and using its available resources efficiently and
9 effectively; and

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11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the University of Hawaii
12 College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources is requested
13 to cooperate with the audit; and

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15 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Auditor is requested to
16 report findings and recommendations, including any proposed
17 legislation, to the Legislature no later than twenty days prior
18 to the convening of the Regular Session of 2017; and

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20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
21 Resolution be transmitted to the Auditor, President of the
22 University of Hawaii, and Dean and Director for Research and
23 Cooperative Extension of the University of Hawaii College of
24 Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources.

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