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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU TO SUBMIT A REPORT
TO THE LEGISLATURE ON ALL CURRENT STATE GUN CONTROL LAWS,
HOW THEY COMPARE WITH CURRENT FEDERAL REGULATIONS, DATA ON
FIREARM DISCHARGES, AND DATA ON GUN CRIME IN HAWAII.

1 WHEREAS, the country has seen numerous high profile
2 shootings over many decades; and
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4 WHEREAS, the State of Hawaii has some of the most
5 comprehensive gun control laws, as well as geography that
6 affords the State the unique opportunity to effectively enforce
7 gun control laws within state boundaries; and
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9 WHEREAS, recent shootings have forced the State to evaluate
10 existing statutes to ensure that they are as adequate and
11 appropriate today as they were when originally enacted; now,
12 therefore,
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14 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-ninth
15 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2018, the
16 House of Representatives concurring, that the Legislative
17 Reference Bureau is requested to compile and submit a report to
18 the Legislature regarding existing gun laws and firearm data for
19 Hawaii; and
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21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, as part of its report, the
22 Legislative Reference Bureau is requested to include the
23 following:
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25 (1) All statutes involving restrictions on:

26 (A) The ownership and use of certain types of
27 firearms;
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29 (B) Modifications to firearms; and
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2 (C) Accessories or ammunition for firearms,
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4 including statutes that address the caliber or rate of
5 fire of a firearm or prohibited attachments or
6 accessories for a firearm;
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- 8 (2) Statutory penalties for the illegal use or possession
9 of a firearm;
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- 11 (3) The various processes that citizens of the State must
12 complete with respect to obtaining different types of
13 firearms, including pistols and rifles, and obtaining
14 a license to carry a concealed weapon;
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- 16 (4) Circumstances in which an individual may be
17 dispossessed of a firearm or lose the right to possess
18 a firearm, including circumstances involving the
19 individual's mental health, conviction for a felony
20 offense, or arrest or conviction for domestic
21 violence;
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- 23 (5) Data on the total number of instances of violent crime
24 in the State over the past decade and, of that number,
25 the number of instances involving a firearm, the
26 number of deaths attributed to a firearm, and the
27 number of firearms deaths caused by an accident or
28 accidental discharge of a firearm;
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- 30 (6) With respect to the number of instances of violent
31 crime in which a firearm was used, the number of
32 individuals that had already been previously
33 prohibited from owning or possessing a firearm,
34 differentiated by the reason the individual was
35 prohibited from owning or possessing a firearm,
36 including reasons involving the individual's mental
37 health, conviction for a felony offense, or arrest or
38 conviction for domestic violence;
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- 40 (7) Aggregate data on the number of registered firearm
41 owners in the State and the total number of legally
42 permitted firearms; and



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2 (8) A comparison of state statutes, rules, and regulations
3 to existing federal statutes, rules, and regulations
4 where parallel comparisons are available; and
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6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that to assist the Legislative
7 Reference Bureau, the following entities are requested to
8 provide information, upon request, to the Bureau, including:
9 statistical data; information on federal, state, and county
10 practices and procedures with respect to firearms importation,
11 permitting, registration, licensing, and use; and the
12 disposition of criminal offenses:
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- 14 (1) The Honolulu Field Office of the United States Federal
15 Bureau of Investigation;
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17 (2) The Honolulu Satellite Office of the United States
18 Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives;
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20 (3) The Judiciary of the State of Hawaii;
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22 (4) The Department of the Attorney General; and
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24 (5) The respective police departments of the City and
25 County of Honolulu, County of Hawaii, County of
26 Kauai, and County of Maui; and
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28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislative Reference
29 Bureau is requested to submit a report of its findings and
30 recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the
31 Legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of
32 the Regular Session of 2019; and
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34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
35 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Special Agent-in-
36 Charge of the Honolulu Field Office of the United States Federal
37 Bureau of Investigation; the Resident Agent-in-Charge of the
38 Honolulu Satellite Office of the United States Bureau of
39 Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives; the Governor; the
40 Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Hawaii; the Attorney
41 General; the mayors of the respective counties; the police



1 chiefs of the respective counties; and the Director of the
2 Legislative Reference Bureau.
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