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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE STATE OF HAWAII DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE TO CONVENE
AN EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY REVIEW TASK FORCE.

1 WHEREAS, on January 13, 2018, at approximately 8:06 a.m.,
2 the Hawaii emergency management agency, an agency of the State
3 of Hawaii Department of Defense, issued a ballistic missile
4 alert that incorrectly informed mobile phone users across the
5 State that Hawaii was under a missile attack; and
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7 WHEREAS, although officials in the Hawaii emergency
8 management agency and other governmental agencies knew almost
9 immediately that the alert was false, mobile phone users were
10 not informed that the alert was false until approximately 8:45
11 a.m. that day; and
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13 WHEREAS, on January 30, 2018, the Governor and the Adjutant
14 General of the State of Hawaii Department of Defense released
15 the results of an internal investigative memorandum dated
16 January 29, 2018, regarding the foregoing incident; and
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18 WHEREAS, the memorandum stated that insufficient management
19 controls, poor computer software design, and human factors
20 contributed to the dissemination of the false ballistic missile
21 alert and the delay in the dissemination of the correction
22 message on January 13, 2018; now, therefore,
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24 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-ninth
25 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2018, the
26 House of Representatives concurring, that the State of Hawaii
27 Department of Defense is requested to convene an emergency
28 management agency review task force for the purposes of:
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- 30 (1) Reviewing the Hawaii emergency management agency's
31 operations with respect to notifying the public of
32 imminent ballistic missile attacks;
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1 (2) Considering whether the Hawaii emergency management
2 agency should be the entity that notifies the public
3 of imminent ballistic missile attacks; and
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5 (3) Evaluating whether the Hawaii emergency management
6 agency is capable of notifying the public of imminent
7 ballistic missile attacks in light of the January 29,
8 2018, internal investigative memorandum and its
9 findings on the agency's preparedness, protocol
10 procedures, personnel, training protocols, leadership
11 matrix, communication system procedures, and lines of
12 communication with the United States Pacific Command;
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15 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, at a minimum, the following
16 individuals are requested to serve and be included as members of
17 the emergency management agency review task force:
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19 (1) The Governor or the Governor's designee;
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21 (2) The Adjutant General or the Adjutant General's
22 designee;
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24 (3) The Director of Transportation or the Director's
25 designee;
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27 (4) The Superintendent of Education or the
28 Superintendent's designee;
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30 (5) The President of the Hawaii Tourism Authority or the
31 President's designee;
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33 (6) The Commander of the United States Pacific Command or
34 the Commander's designee;
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36 (7) The Director of the Department of Emergency
37 Management, City and County of Honolulu, or the
38 Director's designee;
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40 (8) The Administrator of the Emergency Management Agency,
41 County of Maui, or the Administrator's designee;
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- (9) The Administrator of the Civil Defense Agency, County of Hawaii, or the Administrator's designee;
- (10) The Administrator of the Emergency Management Agency, County of Kauai, or the Administrator's designee;
- (11) The President of the Chamber of Commerce Hawaii or the President's designee;
- (12) The President of the Hawaii Lodging and Tourism Association or the President's designee;
- (13) One representative from Hawaii's airline industry designated by the Governor;
- (14) One representative from Hawaii's airline industry designated by the President of the Senate;
- (15) One representative from Hawaii's airline industry designated by the Speaker of the House of Representatives;
- (16) One representative from Hawaii's shipping industry designated by the President of the Senate;
- (17) One representative from Hawaii's shipping industry designated by the Speaker of the House of Representatives;
- (18) One representative from the community designated by the President of the Senate; and
- (19) One representative from the community designated by the Speaker of the House of Representatives; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the members of the emergency management agency review task force are requested to elect a chair, a vice chair, and any other necessary officers from among the members; and



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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the emergency management agency
2 review task force is requested to convene its first meeting no
3 later than July 1, 2018; and

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5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the emergency management agency
6 review task force is requested to submit:

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8 (1) A preliminary report on its progress to the
9 Legislature no later than twenty days prior to the
10 convening of the Regular Session of 2019; and

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12 (2) A final report of its findings and recommendations to
13 the Legislature, including any proposed legislation,
14 no later than twenty days prior to the convening of
15 the Regular Session of 2020; and

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17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the emergency management agency
18 review task force shall cease to exist on June 30, 2020; and

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20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
21 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Governor; the
22 President of the Senate; the Speaker of the House of
23 Representatives; the Adjutant General; the Director of
24 Transportation; the Superintendent of Education; the President
25 of the Hawaii Tourism Authority; the Commander of the United
26 States Pacific Command; the Director of the Department of
27 Emergency Management, City and County of Honolulu; the
28 Administrator of the Emergency Management Agency, County of
29 Maui; the Administrator of the Civil Defense Agency, County of
30 Hawaii; the Administrator of the Emergency Management Agency,
31 County of Kauai; the President of the Chamber of Commerce
32 Hawaii; and the President of the Hawaii Lodging and Tourism
33 Association.

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