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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE OFFICE OF ELECTIONS TO CONDUCT A SECURITY AUDIT OF HAWAII'S VOTING SYSTEM.

WHEREAS, officials from the United States Department of Homeland Security have testified before the United States Senate that election systems in twenty-one states were targeted by cyber-attacks during the 2016 presidential election; and

WHEREAS, many of the cyber-attacks reported by the Department of Homeland Security in 2016 were attempts to probe election infrastructure for vulnerabilities; and

WHEREAS, the Department of Homeland Security confirmed intrusions into the voter registration databases in Arizona and Illinois; and

WHEREAS, during the fall of 2016, the Department of Homeland Security repeatedly told state election officials that no credible cyber-attack threats to election infrastructure were made; and

WHEREAS, states that had been the targets of cyber-attacks during 2016 only learned of the threat to their election infrastructures through a leaked report by the National Security Agency; and

WHEREAS, although no evidence exists that Hawaii's election infrastructure was compromised, the widespread cyber-attacks during 2016 illustrate a need to ensure that security systems around voting systems in the State are sound; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-ninth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2018, the House of Representatives concurring, that the Office of Elections is requested to conduct a security audit of Hawaii's voting system and procedures to identify any vulnerabilities to cyber-attack; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Office of Elections is requested to coordinate with the Office of Enterprise Technology Services of the Department of Accounting and General Services and the Office of Cybersecurity of the Department of Defense; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Office of Elections is requested to submit a report of the Office's findings and recommendations, including recommendations on securing the State's voting systems against cyber-attack and any proposed legislation, to the Legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular Session of 2019; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Chief Election Officer, Chief Information Officer of the Office of Enterprise Technology Services of the Department of Accounting and General Services, and Administrator of the Office of Homeland Security of the Department of Defense.

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