
SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING A STUDY OF POTENTIAL PROJECTS THAT WOULD REDUCE
ENERGY COSTS FOR ALL STATE DEPARTMENTS AND AGENCIES.

1 WHEREAS, section 36-41, Hawaii Revised Statutes, requires
2 government agencies to "evaluate and identify for implementation
3 energy efficiency retrofitting through performance contracting";
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6 WHEREAS, in 2006, this body enacted Act 96, Session Laws of
7 Hawaii 2006, which requires:

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9 (1) State agencies to design buildings and facilities that
10 meet energy efficiency and environmental standards;
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12 (2) State agencies to adopt energy and water conservation
13 practices and purchase energy efficient equipment; and
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15 (3) Residential facilities built using state funds or
16 located on state lands to incorporate energy-
17 efficiency measures to prevent heat gain through
18 insulation standards, high-performance windows, and
19 maximizing natural ventilation; and
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21 WHEREAS, in 2009, this body enacted Act 155, Session Laws
22 of Hawaii 2009, which requires:

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24 (1) Each state department with responsibility over the
25 design and construction of public buildings and
26 facilities to create and use, by the end of 2010, an
27 energy-efficiency benchmark for state buildings that
28 are larger than five thousand square feet or use more
29 than eight thousand kilowatt-hours of electricity or
30 energy per year; and
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1 (2) Public buildings to be retro-commissioned no less
2 often than every five years according to retro-
3 commissioning guidelines; and
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5 WHEREAS, energy performance contracting with energy service
6 companies (ESCOs) are helping Hawaii state and county agencies
7 save over \$1,000,000,000 over the lifetime of the contracts,
8 savings that can be used to fund other important state
9 initiatives; and
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11 WHEREAS, this body recognizes that even though the annual
12 cost of electricity is increasing, the maintenance of state
13 facilities is regularly being deferred, exacerbating the amount
14 the State spends on electricity; now, therefore,
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16 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-ninth
17 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2018, the
18 House of Representatives concurring, that the Department of
19 Business, Economic Development, and Tourism is requested to
20 examine projects that would reduce energy costs for state
21 departments and agencies and submit a report of its findings and
22 recommendations to the Legislature no later than twenty days
23 prior to the convening of the Regular Session of 2019; and
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25 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Business,
26 Economic Development, and Tourism and Office of the Auditor are
27 requested to examine potential energy savings costs for state
28 departments and agencies and submit a report of its findings and
29 recommendations to the Legislature no later than twenty days
30 prior to the convening of the Regular Session of 2019; and
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32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the State Procurement Office is
33 requested to update and publish the Energy Savings Performance
34 Contracting list that includes a list of all pre-qualified ESCOs
35 no later than July 1, 2019; and
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37 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
38 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Director of
39 Business, Economic Development, and Tourism; State Auditor;
40 Administrator of the State Procurement Office; and Administrator
41 of the Hawaii State Energy Office.

