
SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND FINANCE, DEPARTMENT OF
EDUCATION, UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII, AND OFFICE OF HAWAIIAN
AFFAIRS TO SUBMIT A REPORT TO THE LEGISLATURE ON ALL
UNSPENT FEDERAL FUNDS FOR EACH STATE DEPARTMENT OR ENTITY
UNDER ITS RESPECTIVE JURISDICTION.

1 WHEREAS, the State of Hawaii receives large sums of federal
2 funds for various programs and purposes in the State; and
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4 WHEREAS, the State receives approximately \$3,000,000,000 a
5 year from federal sources, which accounts for twenty percent of
6 the State's annual budget; and
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8 WHEREAS, the biggest recipients of federal funds in Hawaii
9 are the Department of Human Services, which administers
10 Medicaid; University of Hawaii; Department of Education; and
11 Department of Health; and
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13 WHEREAS, it is essential that all federal funding in the
14 State is effectively and efficiently spent for programs that
15 residents of Hawaii need; and
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17 WHEREAS, a comprehensive report of all unspent federal
18 funds by state departments may be valuable in identifying ways
19 to improve program funding, efficacy, and efficiency; now,
20 therefore,
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22 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-ninth
23 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2018, the
24 House of Representatives concurring, that the Department of
25 Budget and Finance, Department of Education, University of
26 Hawaii, and Office of Hawaiian Affairs are requested to submit a
27 report to the Legislature on all unspent federal funds for each
28 state department or entity under its respective jurisdiction;
29 and



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2 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the report include the
3 following per state department or entity:
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- 5 (1) The total amount of committed unspent federal funds
6 for the current fiscal year;
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8 (2) The total amount of obligated funds for the current
9 fiscal year, including how long the obligated funds
10 have been obligated and not yet spent; and
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12 (3) The total amount of federal funds over the past twelve
13 years, broken down by each fiscal year, that have been
14 sent back or recaptured by the federal government due
15 to the funds lapsing; and
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17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the report be submitted to the
18 Legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of
19 the Regular Session of 2019; and
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21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
22 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Director of Budget
23 and Finance, Superintendent of Education, President of the
24 University of Hawaii, and Chief Executive Office of the Office
25 of Hawaiian Affairs.

