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SENATE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE MAYORS OF THE STATE'S COUNTIES TO SUBMIT A PLAN
DETAILING HOW EACH COUNTY WILL MEET THEIR PLEDGE TO
ELIMINATE FOSSIL FUELS FROM GROUND TRANSPORTATION BY 2045
AND URGING THE MAYOR OF KALAWAO COUNTY TO SIGN THE PLEDGE.

1 WHEREAS, Hawaii's dependence on imported fossil fuels
2 drains the state economy of billions of dollars each year, and
3 the volatility of imported fuel prices creates significant risks
4 for the economy and adds to costs for local families; and

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6 WHEREAS, the use of fossil fuels reduces air quality and
7 contributes to climate change through increased greenhouse gas
8 emissions in the atmosphere; and

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10 WHEREAS, on a per-mile basis, it is less expensive to
11 commute in an electric vehicle than it is to commute in a gas-
12 powered vehicle; and

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14 WHEREAS, according to the Hawaii State Energy Office,
15 ground transportation accounted for an estimated twenty-six
16 percent of Hawaii's fossil fuel usage in 2015; and

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18 WHEREAS, of the more than one million passenger vehicles
19 registered in the State, only about 6,900 are fully electric and
20 only about 25,000 are hybrid vehicles; and

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22 WHEREAS, on December 12, 2017, the mayors of the City and
23 County of Honolulu, County of Maui, County of Hawaii, and County
24 of Kauai signed a corresponding proclamation to eliminate fossil
25 fuels from all ground transportation, public and private, by
26 2045; and

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28 WHEREAS, the City and County of Honolulu and the County of
29 Maui also pledged to transition all of their fleet vehicles to
30 one hundred percent clean energy by 2035; now, therefore,

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32 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Twenty-ninth
33 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2018,
34 that the City and County of Honolulu, County of Maui, County of



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1 Hawaii, and County of Kauai Mayors are requested to submit a
2 plan detailing how each county intends to meet their pledge of
3 eliminating fossil fuels from ground transportation by 2045; and
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5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the counties are requested to
6 consider as part of their plan installing electric vehicle
7 charging ports and converting their county's bus fleets to
8 electric buses; and
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10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Director of Health, in the
11 Director's capacity as the Mayor of Kalawao County, is urged to
12 sign the pledge to eliminate fossil fuels from all ground
13 transportation in Kalawao County by 2045, and submit a report
14 detailing how the county plans to eliminate fossil fuels from
15 ground transportation by 2045; and
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17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the counties are requested to
18 submit a report of their plan to the Legislature no later than
19 twenty days prior to the start of the Regular Session of 2019;
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22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
23 Resolution be transmitted to the Director of Health, Mayor of
24 the City and County of Honolulu, Mayor of the County of Maui,
25 Mayor of the County of Hawaii, and Mayor of the County of Kauai.
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OFFERED BY:



