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## SENATE RESOLUTION

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URGING EACH COUNTY TO DEVELOP AND ADMINISTER A PERMITTING SYSTEM  
FOR NON-PERMITTED OWNER-OCCUPIED TRANSIENT VACATION UNITS.

1 WHEREAS, the State and counties are working together to  
2 regulate illegal transient vacation units, which have become  
3 widespread throughout the State; and  
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5 WHEREAS, the Hawaii Tourism Authority estimates that there  
6 are 27,177 transient vacation rentals in the State that are  
7 advertised online; and  
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9 WHEREAS, across the State, 79.6 percent of all Airbnb  
10 listings are categorized as "entire place," meaning that the  
11 entire housing unit is being rented out to visitors; and  
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13 WHEREAS, existing laws and ordinances allow transient  
14 vacation units to operate only in resort districts; however, the  
15 counties are seeking options to authorize owner-occupied units  
16 outside of resort districts to continue operating as short-term  
17 rentals; and  
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19 WHEREAS, a county permitting system for those who operate  
20 owner-occupied transient vacation units will encourage owners to  
21 properly register their properties for short-term rental use;  
22 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,  
26 that this body urges each county to develop and administer a  
27 permitting system for non-permitted, owner-occupied transient  
28 vacation units; and  
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30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this body urges each county to  
31 publicize the permitting system to maximize public awareness of  
32 and participation in the program and to contract with  
33 appropriate advertising agencies inside or outside the State to  
34 accomplish this goal; and



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2 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
3 Resolution be transmitted to the Director of Planning and  
4 Permitting for the City and County of Honolulu, Planning  
5 Director for the County of Hawaii, Planning Director for the  
6 County of Kauai, Planning Director for the County of Maui,  
7 Chairperson of the Planning Commission for the City and County  
8 of Honolulu, Chairpersons of the Windward and Leeward Planning  
9 Commissions for the County of Hawaii, Chairperson of the  
10 Planning Commission for the County of Kauai, Chairperson of the  
11 Maui Planning Commission, Chairperson of the Molokai Planning  
12 Commission, and Chairperson of the Lanai Planning Commission.

