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## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE TO ERADICATE THE STATE'S  
FERAL CHICKEN POPULATION AND REQUESTING THE HEAD OF THE  
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE PLANT INDUSTRY DIVISION TO  
PROVIDE A PEST DESIGNATION FOR FERAL CHICKENS.

1           WHEREAS, feral chickens have become a nuisance in the  
2 State, especially in suburban and urban communities; and  
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4           WHEREAS, because feral chickens face no natural predators  
5 on Kauai; the island has become overrun with tens of thousands  
6 of feral chickens; and  
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8           WHEREAS, the feral chicken population has also become a  
9 significant problem and cause for resident complaints on the  
10 windward side of Oahu; and  
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12           WHEREAS, feral chickens trespass into yards and gardens,  
13 destroy property, damage food crops, and jeopardize native  
14 plants; and  
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16           WHEREAS, feral chickens create road hazards, spread disease  
17 to domestic animals and native wildlife, and lead to frequent  
18 noise complaints; now, therefore,  
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20           BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the  
21 Thirtieth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of  
22 2020, the Senate concurring, that the head of the Department of  
23 Agriculture Plant Industry Division is requested to study and  
24 evaluate the need to designate feral chickens as a "pest for  
25 control or eradication" or to create a new designation for feral  
26 chickens that allows residents to treat chickens like rats and  
27 similar pests; and



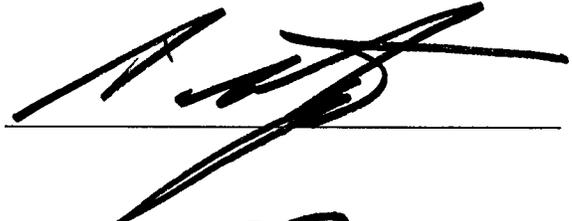
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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Agriculture  
 2 is urged to develop a program to eradicate the State's feral  
 3 chicken population; and

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 5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
 6 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Chairperson of the  
 7 Board of Agriculture and Head of the Department of Agriculture  
 8 Plant Industry Division.

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