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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

URGING THE FEDERAL AVIATION ADMINISTRATION TO IMPLEMENT AND
GRANT TO THE STATE REVENUE GENERATED BY A NOISE POLLUTION
IMPACT FEE EQUIVALENT TO TEN PERCENT OF TICKET REVENUES FOR
ALL COMMERCIAL AIRCRAFT FLIGHTS OVER EWA BEACH ON THE
ISLAND OF OAHU.

1 WHEREAS, studies have shown that persistent noise
2 pollution, including noise from overhead aircraft, can cause
3 sleep disturbances, cognitive impairments, hypertension, hearing
4 loss, mood disturbances, and other chronic health conditions;
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7 WHEREAS, a 2013 study published in the British Medical
8 Journal found a statistically significant association between
9 frequent exposure to aircraft noise and an increased risk of
10 developing cardiovascular disease; and
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12 WHEREAS, children are especially vulnerable to these health
13 effects and can experience hearing impairment, developmental
14 disorders, psychological disorders, and various illnesses as a
15 result of persistent noise pollution; and
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17 WHEREAS, real property values may also be lower for
18 residences located on commercial flight paths; and
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20 WHEREAS, a great majority of the inbound commercial flights
21 to Honolulu's Daniel K. Inouye International Airport follow a
22 flight path directly over Ewa Beach; and
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24 WHEREAS, the location of Ewa Beach on the flight path and
25 the frequency of commercial flights to Daniel K. Inouye
26 International Airport subject residents of Ewa Beach to more
27 noise pollution, greater health risks, and lower real property
28 values than other communities in the State; now, therefore,
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1 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirty-first
2 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2021, the
3 House of Representatives concurring, that the Federal Aviation
4 Administration is urged to implement a noise pollution impact
5 fee equivalent to ten percent of ticket revenues for all
6 commercial aircraft that file and follow flight paths over Ewa
7 Beach on the island of Oahu; and

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9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Federal Aviation
10 Administration is urged to grant revenue generated by these fees
11 to the State for noise pollution mitigation efforts and the
12 improvement and maintenance of roads, infrastructure, and
13 schools in Ewa Beach on the island of Oahu; and

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15 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
16 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Administrator of the
17 Federal Aviation Administration, Governor, and member of the
18 Honolulu City Council for District 1.

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21 OFFERED BY: Kurt Furell

