

STAND. COM. REP. NO.

1276

Honolulu, Hawaii

MAR 25 2021

RE: S.R. No. 21

Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi
President of the Senate
Thirty-First State Legislature
Regular Session of 2021
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Energy, Economic Development, and Tourism,
to which was referred S.R. No. 21 entitled:

"SENATE RESOLUTION REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS,
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND TOURISM AND DEPARTMENT OF
ACCOUNTING AND GENERAL SERVICES TO CONDUCT A COST ANALYSIS
STUDY OF CONSOLIDATING WEST HAWAII STATE OFFICES INTO A
SINGLE CONVENIENTLY LOCATED COMPLEX,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to request that the
Department of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism and the
Department of Accounting and General Services:

- (1) Conduct a cost analysis study regarding centralizing and
consolidating the state offices in west Hawaii island
into one conveniently located complex; and
- (2) Submit a report of their findings and recommendations,
including any proposed legislation, to the Legislature
no later than twenty days prior to the convening of the
Regular Session of 2022.

Your Committee received testimony in support of this measure
from the Department of Accounting and General Services. Your
Committee received comments on this measure from the Department of
Human Services and the Department of Business, Economic
Development, and Tourism.



Your Committee finds that consolidating state offices in a centralized location in west Hawaii may be more cost effective for the State and beneficial for the public to access state services than housing operations in multiple locations. The cost analysis study requested by this measure would aid the legislature in considering whether to pursue this course of action. Your Committee notes testimony from the Department of Accounting and General Services, which indicated that funding and acquisition of consulting services may be required to perform the study.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Energy, Economic Development, and Tourism that is attached to this report, your Committee concurs with the intent and purpose of S.R. No. 21 and recommends its adoption.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Energy, Economic
Development, and Tourism,

GLENN WAKAI, Chair



Record of Votes
Committee on Energy, Economic Development, and Tourism
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