
SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE HAWAII EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY TO CONVENE A
TASK FORCE TO STUDY AND IDENTIFY APPROPRIATE STOCKPILE
STORAGE FACILITY OPTIONS TO STORE AND DISTRIBUTE EMERGENCY
SUPPLIES IN THE STATE OF HAWAII.

1 WHEREAS, the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic
2 has ravaged the State's available inventories of personal
3 protection equipment and other medical products and supplies;
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6 WHEREAS, the COVID-19 pandemic has identified a critical
7 gap in the State's ability to mitigate impacts on its vulnerable
8 supply chain; and

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10 WHEREAS, there is a pressing need for the State to
11 accumulate reserves of critical supplies to provide to the
12 counties and communities during an emergency and within a
13 reasonable time of the State's decision to deploy the stockpiled
14 reserves; and

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16 WHEREAS, an appropriate stockpile storage facility is
17 necessary to prepare for future natural disasters and pandemics
18 to supplement and resupply state and local inventories of
19 essential supplies during emergencies that may be severe enough
20 to exhaust local supplies; and

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22 WHEREAS, a single stockpile storage facility in a central
23 location may be inefficient due to limited air and sea delivery
24 assets during a natural disaster or pandemic causing delays that
25 may hinder the distribution of emergency supplies to all four
26 counties in Hawaii; and



1 WHEREAS, the creation of a task force to identify
2 appropriate stockpile storage facility options would present
3 possible solutions as to whether it is more appropriate to have
4 a single storage facility on the island of Oahu or whether it
5 may be more prudent to utilize multiple storage facilities
6 spread throughout the four counties in the State to effectively
7 and efficiently distribute emergency supplies; now, therefore,
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9 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirty-first
10 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2021, the
11 House of Representatives concurring, that the Hawaii Emergency
12 Management Agency, in coordination with the Department of
13 Defense, Department of Health, and Hawaii Technology Development
14 Corporation, is requested to convene a task force to study
15 whether the State would benefit from stockpiling emergency
16 supplies in a single facility or in multiple storage facilities
17 located in each of the four counties; and
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19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force consist of
20 fourteen members designated as follows:
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- 22 (1) The Administrator of the Hawaii Emergency Management
23 Agency, or the Administrator's designee, who shall
24 serve as Chairperson;
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- 26 (2) One representative from the Office of the Governor,
27 appointed by the Governor;
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- 29 (3) One representative from the Senate, appointed by the
30 President of the Senate;
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- 32 (4) One representative from the House of Representatives,
33 appointed by the Speaker of the House of
34 Representatives;
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- 36 (5) The Adjutant General or the Adjutant General's
37 designee;
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- 39 (6) The Executive Director from the Hawaii Technology
40 Development Corporation, or the Executive Director's
41 designee;



- 1 (7) Two representatives from the County of Hawaii,
2 appointed by the Mayor of Hawaii County;
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- 4 (8) Two representatives from the City and County of
5 Honolulu, appointed by the Mayor of the City and
6 County of Honolulu;
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- 8 (9) Two representatives from the County of Kauai,
9 appointed by the Mayor of Kauai County; and
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- 11 (10) Two representatives from the County of Maui, appointed
12 by the Mayor of Maui County; and
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14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all members of the task force
15 be appointed no later than thirty days after the last day of the
16 Regular Session of 2021, and that the task force convene its
17 initial meeting no later than July 1, 2021; and

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19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force is requested to
20 submit a report of its findings and recommendations, including
21 any proposed legislation, to the Legislature no later than
22 January 31, 2022; and

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24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force include in its
25 report the identification of appropriate locations for the
26 construction of a state stockpile storage facility or facilities
27 to stockpile emergency supplies necessary for responding to
28 natural disasters and pandemics, including locations:

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- 30 (1) On state land;
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- 32 (2) Reasonably secured or easily capable of being
33 reasonably secured;
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- 35 (3) Outside of the inundation zone;
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- 37 (4) Within a one-mile radius of an airfield; and
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- 39 (5) Near state, county, and federal first responder
40 agencies; and



1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force dissolve on
2 July 1, 2022; and

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4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
5 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Director of Health,
6 Adjutant General, Administrator of the Hawaii Emergency
7 Management Agency, Executive Director of the Hawaii Technology
8 Development Corporation, Mayor of Hawaii County, Mayor of the
9 City and County of Honolulu, Mayor of Kauai County, and Mayor of
10 Maui County.

