
HOUSE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE OFFICE OF ENTERPRISE TECHNOLOGY SERVICES TO DEVELOP A RECOMMENDED DEFINITION FOR BLOCKCHAIN TECHNOLOGY AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOR OPPORTUNITIES FOR INDIVIDUALS, PRIVATE ENTITIES, AND STATE AGENCIES TO USE BLOCKCHAIN TECHNOLOGY.

1 WHEREAS, industries and governments are constantly adopting
2 new and innovative technology that will revolutionize products
3 and services; and
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5 WHEREAS, one example of this new technology is blockchain
6 technology, a decentralized, distributed ledger that records the
7 origin of a digital asset; and
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9 WHEREAS, blockchain technology can protect data; streamline
10 processes; and reduce fraud, waste, and abuse while
11 simultaneously increasing trust and accountability; and
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13 WHEREAS, the distributed ledger format that blockchain
14 technology employs can be leveraged to support an array of
15 government and public-sector applications, including land
16 registration, identity management, supply-chain traceability,
17 health care, corporate registration, taxation, voting, digital
18 currency and payments, and legal-entities management; and
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20 WHEREAS, the adoption of blockchain technology requires an
21 informed and thorough approach so that its implementation in the
22 State does not impede innovation and growth; and
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24 WHEREAS, it is important for the State to recognize
25 blockchain technology's potential to increase transparency
26 within and trust in government, including:
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- 28 (1) The secure storage of government, business, and
29 individual data;
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- 1 (2) A reduction in labor-intensive processes;
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- 3 (3) A decrease in excessive costs associated with managing
- 4 accountability;
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- 6 (4) A reduction in the potential for corruption and abuse;
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- 9 (5) An increase in trust in government and its online
- 10 systems; now, therefore,
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12 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
 13 Thirty-first Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session
 14 of 2022, that the Office of Enterprise Technology Services is
 15 requested to develop a recommended definition for blockchain
 16 technology and recommendations for opportunities for
 17 individuals, private entities, and state agencies to use
 18 blockchain technology; and

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 20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Office of Enterprise
 21 Technology Services is requested to submit a report of its
 22 findings and recommendations, including any proposed
 23 legislation, to the Legislature no later than thirty days before
 24 the convening of the Regular Session of 2023; and

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 26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this
 27 Resolution be transmitted to the Chief Information Officer.

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OFFERED BY: 

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