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SENATE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, THE OFFICE OF YOUTH SERVICES, AND THE DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND FINANCE TO CONVENE A TASK FORCE TO RECOMMEND HOW TO CREATE AN EFFICIENT FUNDING MECHANISM TO ALLOW THE OFFICE OF YOUTH SERVICES TO GENERATE INCOME TO SUPPORT ITS VOCATIONAL PROGRAMS.

1 WHEREAS, the Office of Youth Services provides programs and
2 services for at-risk youth in the State to prevent delinquency
3 and reduce recidivism; and
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5 WHEREAS, the Office of Youth Services successfully diverts
6 youths to rehabilitation programs, resulting in fewer than
7 twenty juveniles currently in Office of Youth Services programs;
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10 WHEREAS, the Office of Youth Services lacks a revolving
11 fund and may not currently generate sufficient funds to pay for
12 the expenses necessary to operate and manage a revolving fund;
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15 WHEREAS, a funding mechanism that allows the Office of
16 Youth Services to generate income and use such income to expand
17 vocational programs that create opportunities for at-risk youth
18 more robust to further reduce recidivism and prevent
19 delinquency; and
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21 WHEREAS, the Office of Youth Services works closely with
22 the Department of Public Safety, which supports vocational
23 programs with income generated by the Department; now,
24 therefore,
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26 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirty-first
27 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2022,
28 that the Office of Youth Services, Department of Public Safety,
29 and Department of Budget and Finance are requested to convene a
30 task force to recommend how to create an efficient funding
31 mechanism to allow the Office of Youth Services to generate
32 income to support its vocational programs; and



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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force is requested to include the following members or their designees:

- (1) The Director of Public Safety;
- (2) The Director of Finance;
- (3) The Executive Director of the Office of Youth Services; and
- (4) Any other representatives the Director of Public Safety, Director of Finance, or Executive Director of the Office of Youth Services deems necessary; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the Director of Public Safety, Director of Finance, and Executive Director of the Office of Youth Services.

OFFERED BY: 