
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF ACCOUNTING AND GENERAL SERVICES, IN
COORDINATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, TO
IMPLEMENT BIRTH CONTROL STRATEGIES TO CURTAIL THE PIGEON
POPULATION AT THE STATE CAPITOL AND SURROUNDING AREAS.

1 WHEREAS, pigeons have established themselves in areas
2 throughout the State Capitol and surrounding areas; and
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4 WHEREAS, significant areas of the State Capitol rotunda
5 have been overwhelmed with pigeons and pigeon excrement; and
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7 WHEREAS, State Capitol is the center of Hawaii government
8 and, after a few years of being closed due to the COVID-19
9 pandemic, will soon be reopened to the public; and
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11 WHEREAS, despite current bird population control methods to
12 help reduce the pigeon population, such as trapping and
13 poisoning, pigeons are rapid breeders and appear to have
14 increased their population significantly at and near the State
15 Capitol; and
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17 WHEREAS, while poisons pose a threat to the environment and
18 other animals, including pets, contraceptives are a safer,
19 preferable, long-term solution for controlling feral bird
20 populations; and
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22 WHEREAS, nicarbazin is a nonhazardous drug proven to be an
23 effective contraceptive for a variety of bird species; and
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25 WHEREAS, OvoControl P, a general use pesticide containing
26 nicarbazin, is approved and registered by the United States
27 Environmental Protection Agency to prevent the breeding of
28 pigeons and other avian species; and
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1 WHEREAS, as a humane and nonlethal control method,
2 OvoControl P was used successfully by several businesses in
3 Waikiki, including the Honolulu Zoo and International Market
4 Place, to abate their pigeon populations; and
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6 WHEREAS, the use of birth control strategies using methods
7 such as OvoControl P to control the pigeon population in and
8 around the State Capitol will be of great benefit to promote a
9 higher quality of life and safety for all those who frequent the
10 State Capitol and surrounding areas; 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, the Senate concurring, that the Department of
15 Accounting and General Services, in coordination with the
16 Department of Agriculture, is requested to implement birth
17 control strategies to curtail the pigeon population at the State
18 Capitol and surrounding areas; and
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20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Agriculture
21 is requested to file a Special Local Needs or Section 24(c)
22 registration of the Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and
23 Rodenticide Act, with the United States Environmental Protection
24 Agency to allow the use of OvoControl P as part of the birth
25 control strategies to control the pigeon population at the State
26 Capitol and surrounding areas; and
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28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
29 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Administrator of the
30 United States Environmental Protection Agency, Comptroller, and
31 Chairperson of the Board of Agriculture.
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