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## SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

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URGING THE ALLOCATION OF ADDITIONAL RESOURCES TO INCREASE POLICE  
PRESENCE ON THE WAI'ANAE COAST AND THE CREATION OF A NEW  
POLICE DISTRICT FOR WAI'ANAE THAT IS SEPARATE FROM KAPOLEI  
AND 'EWA.

1 WHEREAS, Wai'anae is one of the most historic and culturally  
2 rich areas of O'ahu; and

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4 WHEREAS, the entire west side of O'ahu, including 'Ewa,  
5 Kapolei, Nanakuli, and Wai'anae, is growing in population; and

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7 WHEREAS, a new police station opened in Wai'anae in May  
8 2016, replacing the old station that was built in 1961; and

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10 WHEREAS, the new police station has 25,172 square feet of  
11 space and fourteen holding cells and is more than three times  
12 the size of its predecessor; and

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14 WHEREAS, an existing Wai'anae Community Policing Team  
15 focuses on crime reduction through prevention, reporting, and  
16 enforcement, as well as traffic safety awareness and  
17 enforcement, and attends neighborhood security watch patrols,  
18 community clean-ups, town halls, neighborhood boards, and other  
19 community functions; however, increased staffing and resources  
20 for the Wai'anae Coast Community Policing Team are warranted and  
21 are needed to serve the growing Wai'anae area and adequately  
22 manage the new police station; and

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24 WHEREAS, population, security, safety, and infrastructure  
25 demands also favor separating the Wai'anae coast from 'Ewa and  
26 Kapolei, which are currently combined in the Honolulu Police  
27 Department's District 8, and creating a new district  
28 encompassing the area from Nanakuli through Ka'ena Point; and



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2 WHEREAS, according to the Honolulu Police Department Annual  
3 Report 2020, there were six murders, fifty-three rapes, one  
4 hundred fifteen robberies, two hundred forty-six aggravated  
5 assaults, four hundred forty-six burglaries, 2,823 larcenies,  
6 and four hundred ninety-one auto thefts reported in 2020 in  
7 District 8; and

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9 WHEREAS, of the crimes reported, District 8 had the highest  
10 number of murders and aggravated assaults on O'ahu in 2020; and

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12 WHEREAS, it is important to maintain the safety of Wai'anae  
13 residents, business owners, workers, and patrons and to protect  
14 their property and possessions; and

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16 WHEREAS, concern about the recent increase in and severity  
17 of criminal activity has prompted local residents and business  
18 owners in Wai'anae to call for a greater police presence in the  
19 area; and

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21 WHEREAS, increasing the visible presence of uniformed  
22 police officers would improve public safety by deterring  
23 criminal activity and providing more immediate assistance to  
24 victims once a crime has been committed; now, 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, the  
28 House of Representatives concurring, that this body urges the  
29 allocation of additional resources to increase police presence  
30 on the Wai'anae coast and the creation of a new police district  
31 for Wai'anae that is separate from Kapolei and 'Ewa; and

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33 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this body urges the new police  
34 district to include and be bounded by Nanakuli and Ka'ena Point;  
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37 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this body urges an increase in  
38 staffing and resources for the Wai'anae Coast Community Policing  
39 Team; and



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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
2 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Mayor of the City  
3 and County of Honolulu, Chair of the Honolulu City Council, and  
4 Interim Chief of the Honolulu Police Department.

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7 OFFERED BY: 

