
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HAWAIIAN HOME LANDS TO CONDUCT A
STUDY THAT EVALUATES POSSIBLE METHODS OF FLOOD REMEDIATION
AND FLOOD AVERSION FOR CERTAIN AREAS OF THE ISLAND OF
MOLOKAI.

1 WHEREAS, flooding on the island of Molokai has become
2 increasingly dangerous, especially after two recent large
3 storms; and

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5 WHEREAS, a number of beneficiaries of the Hawaiian Homes
6 Commission Act, 1920, as amended, reside on Molokai; and

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8 WHEREAS, flooding has significantly affected the lives of
9 these beneficiaries, as their homes have been repeatedly
10 impacted by runoff and mud; and

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12 WHEREAS, if the State fails to act, the problem will
13 persist and become worse over time; now, therefore,

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15 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
16 Thirty-second Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular
17 Session of 2023, the Senate concurring, that the Department of
18 Hawaiian Home Lands is requested to conduct a study that
19 evaluates possible methods of flood remediation and flood
20 aversion for the areas of Kalama'ula, Kapa'akea, Kamiloloa, and
21 Makakupa'ia on the island of Molokai; and

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23 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Hawaiian Home
24 Lands may consult with appropriate governmental agencies,
25 experts, or other relevant persons in conducting the requested
26 study; and

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28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Hawaiian Home
29 Lands is requested to submit a report of its findings, including



1 any proposed legislation, to the Legislature no later than
2 twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular Session of
3 2024; and

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5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
6 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Chairperson of the
7 Hawaiian Homes Commission and Chairperson of the Board of
8 Trustees of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs.

