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# HOUSE 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, that the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands is  
18 requested to conduct a study that evaluates possible methods of  
19 flood remediation and flood aversion for the areas of Kalama'ula,  
20 Kapa'akea, Kamiloloa, and Makakupa'ia on the island of Molokai;  
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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  
30 any proposed legislation, to the Legislature no later than



1 twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular Session of  
2 2024; and

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

