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SENATE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING EACH COUNTY TO REQUIRE THAT THE COUNTY AGENCY
RESPONSIBLE FOR ENFORCING ITS RESPECTIVE BUILDING CODE BE
ACCREDITED BY THE INTERNATIONAL ACCREDITATION SERVICE.

1 WHEREAS, the International Accreditation Service provides
2 objective evidence that an organization operates at the highest
3 level of ethical, legal, and technical standard; and
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5 WHEREAS, the International Accreditation Service accredits
6 a wide range of companies and organizations, including
7 governmental entities, commercial businesses, and professional
8 associations; and
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10 WHEREAS, the International Accreditation Service
11 accreditation programs are based on recognized national and
12 international standards, such as building and structural
13 standards, that ensure domestic and global acceptance of its
14 accreditations; and
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16 WHEREAS, as a result, International Accreditation Service-
17 accredited companies and organizations can improve their
18 processes by using input gained from onsite assessment and
19 learning about best practices from International Accreditation
20 Service assessors and peer evaluators; and
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22 WHEREAS, International Accreditation Service accreditation
23 can result in reduced cost, time savings, and improvement of
24 products and services; and
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26 WHEREAS, if applied to county building codes, an
27 accreditation by the International Accreditation Service can
28 enable county building agencies to ensure that its buildings
29 meet the best and most currently accepted standards; now,
30 therefore,
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32 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirty-second
33 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2023,
34 that each county, other than the county of Kalawao, is requested
35 to require that the county agency responsible for enforcing its



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1 respective building code be accredited by the International
2 Accreditation Service; and

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4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
5 Resolution be transmitted to the Director of the City and County
6 of Honolulu Department of Planning and Permitting, Director of
7 the County of Hawaii Planning Department, Director of the County
8 of Maui Department of Planning, and Director of the County of
9 Kauai Department of Planning.

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