H.C.R. NO. ³⁴ H.D. 1

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF AGING TO CONDUCT A STUDY ON THE ADEQUACY OF ELDER CARE ON MOLOKAI AND LANAI, AND IN EAST MAUI.

WHEREAS, as Hawaii's population ages, the need for long-1 2 term care services and supports is also increasing; and 3 WHEREAS, elder care serves the needs and requirements of 4 seniors to live comfortably and independently while receiving 5 assistance with daily activities and health care; and 6 7 8 WHEREAS, on the neighbor islands, there are often few 9 options for senior care facilities, with family members living miles, or even islands, apart; and 10 11 WHEREAS, Lanai, Molokai, and East Maui are some of the most 12 rural communities in the State and may not currently have 13 adequate facilities and services to meet their growing elderly 14 15 populations; and 16 17 WHEREAS, the significant increase in Hawaii's elder population and increase in demand for facilities and services 18 will require an ongoing commitment to ensure that Hawaii's 19 20 kupuna, especially those who live on the neighbor islands, can receive adequate care; and 21 22 23 WHEREAS, an assessment on the adequacy of elder care services on the neighbor islands, particularly on Lanai and 24 Molokai, and in East Maui, and how to improve elder care 25 services will help the State meet the ongoing present and future 26 needs of Hawaii's kupuna; now, therefore, 27 28 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the 29 30 Thirty-second Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular



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Session of 2023, the Senate concurring, that the Executive 1 Office of Aging is requested to conduct a study on the adequacy 2 of elder care on the islands of Molokai and Lanai, and in East 3 4 Maui; and 5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in conducting its study, the 6 Executive Office of Aging is requested to include an 7 investigation on how to quickly provide and finance, taking into 8 9 consideration best practices, long-term care, including long 10 term care services and supports in skilled nursing facilities, 11 adult residential care homes, assisted living facilities, and 12 elder care at home, for elderly individuals living on Molokai and Lanai, and in East Maui; and 13 14 15 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Executive Office of Aging is requested to submit a report of its findings and 16 17 recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the Legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of 18 19 the Regular Session of 2024; and 20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this 21 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Director of the 22 23 Executive Office of Aging. 24 25 26 27

