THE SENATE THIRTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE, 2023 STATE OF HAWAII

S.C.R. NO. 167

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SENATE CONCURRENT 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 objective evidence that an organization operates at the highest 2 level of ethical, legal, and technical standard; and 3 4 WHEREAS, the International Accreditation Service accredits 5 a wide range of companies and organizations, including 6 governmental entities, commercial businesses, and professional 7 associations; and 8 9 WHEREAS, the International Accreditation Service 10 accreditation programs are based on recognized national and 11 international standards, such as building and structural 12 standards, that ensure domestic and global acceptance of its 13 accreditations; and 14 15 WHEREAS, as a result, International Accreditation Service-16 accredited companies and organizations can improve their 17 processes by using input gained from onsite assessment and 18 learning about best practices from International Accreditation 19 Service assessors and peer evaluators; and 20 21 WHEREAS, International Accreditation Service accreditation 22 can result in reduced cost, time savings, and improvement of 23 products and services; and 24 25 26 WHEREAS, if applied to county building codes, an accreditation by the International Accreditation Service can 27 enable county building agencies to ensure that its buildings 28 meet the best and most currently accepted standards; now, 29 30 therefore. 31



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BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirty-second Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2023, the House of Representatives concurring, that each county, other than the county of Kalawao, is requested to require that the county agency responsible for enforcing its respective building code be accredited by the International Accreditation Service; and

9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this 10 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Director of the City 11 and County of Honolulu Department of Planning and Permitting, 12 Director of the County of Hawaii Planning Department, Director 13 of the County of Maui Department of Planning, and Director of 14 the County of Kauai Department of Planning. 15

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