THE SENATE THIRTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE, 2023 STATE OF HAWAII

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## SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE HAWAII STATE ENERGY OFFICE TO CONDUCT A STUDY TO DETERMINE THE EXTENT TO WHICH OWNERS OF MULTIPLE PROPERTIES THAT ARE PLACES OF PUBLIC ACCOMMODATION WITHIN THE STATE AGGREGATE THEIR REQUIRED PARKING SPACES AND CHOOSE TO DESIGNATE AND ELECTRIFY PARKING SPACES IN A COUNTY THAT IS NOT THE SAME COUNTY WHERE THE MAJORITY OF THE PARKING SPACES ARE LOCATED.

1 2 3	WHEREAS, the preservation and protection of the State's natural resources for current and future generations is of the utmost importance; and
4 5 6 7	WHEREAS, electrification of the State's transportation system is urgently needed to reduce carbon emissions and to accomplish the State's energy and emission goals of carbon
8 9	neutrality by 2045; and
10 11	WHEREAS, ground transportation accounts for one-quarter of the State's energy emissions; and
12 13	WHEREAS, the share of new cars in the State that are
14 15	electric vehicles is steadily increasing each year, and with this increase in electric vehicles comes an increased demand for
16 17	charging capability; and
18 19 20 21 22	WHEREAS, statewide public vehicle charging capabilities should provide the same opportunities for all persons and provide the opportunity for as many drivers as possible to switch to electric vehicles; and
23 24 25 26	WHEREAS, existing law requires retailers that offer one hundred parking spaces to include at least one electric vehicle parking stall per one hundred spaces; and
27 28	WHEREAS, existing law allows electric vehicle charging stations to be distributed in an aggregated fashion on all of



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the owners properties within the State, which allows retailers 1 2 to place the required stalls in a single location; and 3 4 WHEREAS, the practice of placing required electric vehicle 5 charging stalls in a single location could potentially leave the State's residents in certain counties without charging 6 capabilities; and 7 8 WHEREAS, the ability to charge an electric vehicle has 9 become one of the largest barriers to potential owners of 10 electric vehicles; now, therefore, 11 12 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirty-second 13 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2023, the 14 House of Representatives concurring, that the Hawaii State 15 Energy Office is requested to conduct a study to determine the 16 extent to which owners of multiple properties that are places of 17 public accommodation within the State pursuant to section 291-18 71, Hawaii Revised Statutes, aggregate their required parking 19 spaces and choose to designate and provide electrified parking 20 spaces in a county that is not the same county where the 21 majority of their required parking spaces are located; and 22 23 24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Hawaii State Energy Office is requested to submit a report of its findings and 25 recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the 26 27 Legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular Session of 2024; and 28 29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this 30 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Director of 31 Business, Economic Development, and Tourism; Chief Energy 32 33 Officer of the Hawaii State Energy Office; Mayor of the City and County of Honolulu; Mayor of the County of Maui; Mayor of the 34 County of Kauai; and Mayor of the County of Hawaii. 35 36 37 OFFERED BY: 38

