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SENATE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THAT THE HAWAII EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY ESTABLISH A TWO-YEAR TASK FORCE TO ADDRESS KEY FINDINGS VALIDATED BY THE 2022 RESILIENCY ASSESSMENT REPORT OF THE HAWAII MARITIME TRANSPORTATION REGIONAL RESILIENCY ASSESSMENT PROGRAM PROJECT AND PLAN RESILIENCY ENHANCEMENTS.

WHEREAS, the Regional Resiliency Assessment Program (RRAP) of the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency is a cooperative assessment and analysis of specific critical infrastructure that address a range of infrastructure resilience issues that could have significant regional and national consequences; and

WHEREAS, the RRAP fosters strong partnerships with federal, state, and local government officials, as well as private sector organizations to ensure the quality of critical infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, the Hawaii Emergency Management Agency partnered with the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency's RRAP with the goal of better preparing for, responding to, and recovering from a catastrophic incident affecting maritime transportation systems; and

WHEREAS, the Hawaii Emergency Management Agency specifically requested that the project identify best practices and lessons learned from past disruptions of the maritime transportation systems; and

WHEREAS, Hawaii's maritime transportation system is vital to the State's supply chains and also plays an important role in the supply chains serving American Samoa, Guam, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, and Micronesia; and

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WHEREAS, the port of Honolulu, a crucial part of the maritime transportation system, is critical in providing goods to the residents of the State; and

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WHEREAS, approximately eighty percent of all inbound products transit through the port of Honolulu; and

WHEREAS, any prolonged interruption of the port's operation could quickly create severe commodity shortages and cascading consequences for the State; and

WHEREAS, the Hawaii Maritime Transportation RRAP Project (RRAP Project) examined various factors related to the ability of Hawaii's maritime transportation system to sustain operations should the port of Honolulu become inoperable for an extended period of time; and

WHEREAS, the RRAP Project validated two options for the State if the port of Honolulu were to become inoperable; and

WHEREAS, the RRAP Project focused on the reliance on Pearl Harbor as the alternate port and considered the question of whether other ports could serve as an alternate for the port of Honolulu; and

WHEREAS, the RRAP Project also examined a Reverse Hub and Spoke Concept; and

WHEREAS, the RRAP Project resulted in a Resiliency Assessment report, which included three key findings and resiliency enhancement options for each finding; and

WHEREAS, the Resiliency Assessment report's three key findings include:

(1) That the alternate port concept and Reverse Hub and Spoke concept lack necessary formalization, documentation, and testing;

(2) Detailed security protocols for the alternate port concept and Reverse Hub and Spoke concept are not

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sufficiently included in Memorandums of Understanding or agency plans; and

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That the designation of an alternate port other than (3) Pearl Harbor has not been sufficiently examined; and

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WHEREAS, the Resiliency Assessment report further found that Hawaii will need to update and create a robust alternative port and Reverse Hub and Spoke plan and consider significant investments in resiliency-related infrastructure upgrades across the State; and

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WHEREAS, addressing the key findings in the Resiliency Assessment report and planning resiliency enhancements will better inform the State and its key maritime stakeholders regarding alternate emergency maritime options and assist in the creation of more robust plans; now, therefore,

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BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirty-second Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2023, that the Hawaii Emergency Management Agency, in conjunction with the Harbors Division of the Department of Transportation, is requested to establish a two-year task force to address the key findings of the July 2022 Resiliency Assessment report of the Hawaii Maritime Transportation RRAP Project and plan for related resiliency enhancements; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force include but not be limited to:

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(1)The Administrator of the Hawaii Emergency Management Agency, who is requested to serve as the Chairperson of the task force;

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The Deputy Director of Transportation, Harbors (2) Division; and

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The Executive Director of the Hawaii Harbors Users (3) Group or their designee; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that in addressing or implementing the key findings or resilience enhancement options, the

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Administrator of the Hawaii Emergency Management Agency is requested to invite other representatives of organizations to participate in the task force, as necessary; and

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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force submit a preliminary report of its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the Legislature no later than December 1, 2023; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force submit a final report of its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the Legislature no later than December 1, 2024; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the Deputy Director of Transportation, Harbors Division; Administrator of the Hawaii Emergency Management Agency; and Executive Director of the Hawaii Harbors Users Group.

OFFERED BY:

