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## HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

ESTABLISHING THE TASK FORCE FOR SPEED (SIMPLIFYING PERMITTING FOR ENHANCED ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT) TO IDENTIFY ACTIONS NEEDED TO EXPEDITE, FACILITATE, AND COORDINATE STATE AND INTERGOVERNMENTAL PERMIT PROCESSES.

1           WHEREAS, the permitting process can be subject to lengthy  
2 waiting periods, leading to delays in housing, industrial, and  
3 commercial projects and stifling economic development in the  
4 State; and

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6           WHEREAS, bringing together representatives from the various  
7 agencies responsible for permitting can greatly enhance  
8 understanding of issues present in the permitting process and  
9 help determine changes needed to expedite the process; now,  
10 therefore,

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12           BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the  
13 Thirty-third Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session  
14 of 2025, the Senate concurring, that there is established the  
15 Task Force for SPEED (Simplifying Permitting for Enhanced  
16 Economic Development) to identify actions needed to expedite,  
17 facilitate, and coordinate state and intergovernmental permit  
18 processes; and

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20           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force is requested to  
21 consist of the following individuals:

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23           (1) One member of the House of Representatives, to be  
24 appointed by the Speaker of the House of  
25 Representatives, who shall serve as the Chair of the  
26 task force;

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28           (2) One member of the Senate, to be appointed by the  
29 President of the Senate;



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- 2 (3) A representative from the Office of the Governor;
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- 4 (4) A representative from the Department of Business,
- 5 Economic Development, and Tourism;
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- 7 (5) A representative from the Public Utilities Commission;
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- 9 (6) A representative from the Commission on Water Resource
- 10 Management of the Department of Land and Natural
- 11 Resources;
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- 13 (7) A representative from the Hawaii Community Development
- 14 Authority;
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- 16 (8) A representative from the Hawaii Housing Finance and
- 17 Development Corporation;
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- 19 (9) A representative from the Land Use Commission;
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- 21 (10) A representative from the Office of Planning and
- 22 Sustainable Development;
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- 24 (11) A representative from the Small Business Regulatory
- 25 Review Board;
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- 27 (12) A representative from the State Historic Preservation
- 28 Division of the Department of Land and Natural
- 29 Resources; and
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- 31 (13) A representative from the Wastewater Branch of the
- 32 Department of Health; and
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34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Chair of the task force is  
35 requested to invite the following individuals to serve as  
36 members of the task force:

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- 38 (1) A representative from each of the offices of Hawaii's
- 39 congressional delegation;
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- 41 (2) A representative from the Department of Planning and
- 42 Permitting of the City and County of Honolulu;



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- 2 (3) A representative from the Planning Department of the
- 3 County of Maui;
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- 5 (4) A representative from the Planning Department of the
- 6 County of Hawaii; and
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- 8 (5) A representative from the Planning Department of the
- 9 County of Kauai; and

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11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that representatives for the task  
12 force are requested to be designated no later than August 1,  
13 2025; and

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15 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force is requested to  
16 hold its first meeting no later than October 1, 2025; and

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18 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force is requested to  
19 submit a report of its findings and recommendations, including  
20 any proposed legislation, to the Legislature no later than  
21 twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular Session of  
22 2026; and

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24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the task force shall cease to  
25 exist on June 30, 2027; and

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27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this  
28 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the members of Hawaii's  
29 congressional delegation; Governor; Director of Business,  
30 Economic Development, and Tourism; Chairperson of the Board of  
31 Land and Natural Resources; Chairperson of the Public Utilities  
32 Commission; Chair of the Hawaii Community Development Authority;  
33 Executive Director of the Hawaii Housing Finance and Development  
34 Corporation; Chair of the Land Use Commission; Director of the  
35 Office of Planning and Sustainable Development; Chair of the  
36 Small Business Regulatory Review Board; Administrator of the  
37 State Historic Preservation Division of the Department of Land  
38 and Natural Resources; Director of the Wastewater Branch of the  
39 Department of Health; Director of the Department of Planning and  
40 Permitting of the City and County of Honolulu; Director of the  
41 Planning Department of the County of Maui; Planning Director of



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1 the Planning Department of the County of Hawaii; and Planning  
2 Director of the Planning Department of the County of Kauai.

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