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SENATE 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 Senate of the Thirty-third
13 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2025, the
14 House of Representatives concurring, that there is established
15 the 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

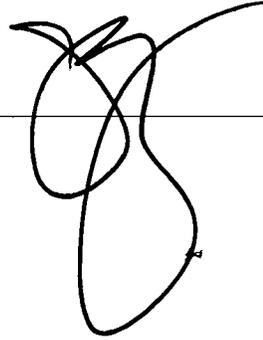


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1 the Planning Department of the County of Hawaii; and Planning
2 Director of the Planning Department of the County of Kauai.

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OFFERED BY: _____

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