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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF LAW ENFORCEMENT TO ESTABLISH, IN
COLLABORATION WITH THE CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU, FAIR
POLICIES AND PROCESSES FOR TOWING AND DISPOSING OF VEHICLES
THAT BELONG TO ACTIVE DUTY SERVICEMEMBERS AND THAT ARE
ABANDONED ON STATE OR CITY PROPERTY.

1 WHEREAS, some active duty servicemembers who deploy for
2 extended periods leave their personal vehicles parked on
3 streets, in parking lots, or on other State or city property;
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6 WHEREAS, the abandoned vehicles can create safety concerns
7 and parking problems and may become a nuisance for other
8 residents; and

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10 WHEREAS, the towing and disposal processes for a
11 servicemember's abandoned vehicle must comply with the federal
12 Servicemember Civil Relief Act; and

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14 WHEREAS, it is important for the State and county to
15 balance the servicemember's rights with the rights of other
16 residents who may be inconvenienced by the abandoned vehicle;
17 now, therefore,

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19 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirty-third
20 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2025, the
21 House of Representatives concurring, that the Department of Law
22 Enforcement is requested to establish, in collaboration with the
23 City and County of Honolulu, fair policies and processes for
24 towing and disposing of vehicles that belong to active duty
25 servicemembers and that are abandoned on State or city property;
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28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the policies and processes
29 should provide adequate notice to a deployed servicemember if



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1 the member's vehicle has been towed and should otherwise comply
2 with the federal Servicemember Civil Relief Act; and

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4 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
5 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Director of Law
6 Enforcement, Mayor of the City and County of Honolulu, and Chair
7 of the Honolulu City Council.

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OFFERED BY:

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