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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND BIOSECURITY AND
DEPARTMENT OF LAW ENFORCEMENT TO INCREASE PENALTIES AND
ENFORCEMENT MECHANISMS FOR DOG ATTACKS ON LIVESTOCK.

1 WHEREAS, livestock production is an important contributor
2 to the State's economy, food security, and land stewardship; and
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4 WHEREAS, livestock producers responsibly manage their
5 animals through fencing and low-stress handling techniques to
6 ensure the animals' health and well-being; and
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8 WHEREAS, uncontrolled dogs often harass, injure, or kill
9 livestock, causing significant losses; and
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11 WHEREAS, livestock producers experience severe financial
12 and emotional impacts from dog attacks, as a single attack can
13 result in the loss of up to eighty animals; now, therefore,
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15 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirty-third
16 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2026, the
17 House of Representatives concurring, that the Department of
18 Agriculture and Biosecurity and Department of Law Enforcement
19 are requested to increase penalties and enforcement mechanisms
20 for dog attacks on livestock; and
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22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
23 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Chairperson of the
24 Board of Agriculture and Biosecurity and Director of Law
25 Enforcement.
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OFFERED BY: *David M. R. [Signature]*

