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SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

PRIORITIZING EFFORTS TO PROTECT HAWAII'S CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE
FROM FOREIGN INFLUENCE.

1 WHEREAS, numerous federal agencies responsible for national
2 security have demonstrated that foreign governments and
3 stakeholders are actively seeking to establish influence and
4 control over critical infrastructure systems in states across
5 the country, including communications, water, food, energy, and
6 related services; and

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8 WHEREAS, the State's geographic isolation and reliance on
9 imported goods, materials, and technologies create unique
10 vulnerabilities within these critical infrastructure systems;
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13 WHEREAS, recent disruption to global supply chains have
14 highlighted the risks associated with dependence on imports,
15 including food, energy, and overseas production of essential
16 infrastructure components that may be influenced by foreign
17 governments, stakeholders, and events; and

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19 WHEREAS, many technologies and materials used in critical
20 infrastructure systems are produced outside the United States,
21 including jurisdictions whose strategic interest may not align
22 with those of the United States; and

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24 WHEREAS, reliance on imports through global supply chains
25 may expose the State's critical systems to risks involving
26 supply disruptions, price manipulation, cybersecurity
27 vulnerabilities, and other forms of economic or strategic
28 pressure; and

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30 WHEREAS, strengthening critical infrastructure and
31 eliminating dependence on imported goods and supplies will
32 enhance the State's resilience in times of economic disruption,
33 natural disaster, or geopolitical instability; now, therefore,



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2 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirty-third
3 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2026, the
4 House of Representatives concurring, that the State is
5 encouraged to prioritize the security, resilience, and
6 reliability of critical infrastructure systems; protect these
7 systems from foreign influence; and accelerate efforts to
8 eliminate the State's dependence on imports; and
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10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that state agencies are requested to
11 prioritize security for critical infrastructure and eliminate
12 the State's dependence on imported food, energy, and other
13 commodities as quickly as possible, and minimize the State's
14 exposure to the volatility, risk, and impacts of foreign
15 influence and events; and
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17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that state agencies are requested to
18 prioritize and consider the State's resilience and security of
19 critical infrastructure in all plans, projects, programs, and
20 decisions; and
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22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
23 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Governor; Director
24 of Business, Economic Development, and Tourism; Director of
25 Transportation; Adjutant General; Administrator of Emergency
26 Management; Chairperson of the Board of Land and Natural
27 Resources; Executive Officer of the Public Utilities Commission;
28 and Chief Information Officer of the Office of Enterprise
29 Technology Services.
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