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SENATE RESOLUTION

URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH TO COORDINATE THE STOCKPILING OF
A THREE-YEAR SUPPLY OF MIFEPRISTONE.

1 WHEREAS, recent developments in the legal landscape of the
2 United States threaten the State's policy to protect an
3 individual's right to privacy and bodily autonomy; and
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5 WHEREAS, Article I, Sections 3, 5, and 6 of the Hawaii
6 State Constitution have long protected the bodily autonomy and
7 reproductive rights of the State's residents; and
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9 WHEREAS, in 1970, Hawaii became the first state to legalize
10 abortion with the enactment of Act 1, Session Laws of Hawaii
11 (SLH) 1970; and
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13 WHEREAS, in 2006, the State took a constitutionally
14 mandated step to secure the right to privacy with the enactment
15 of Act 35, SLH 2006, which established that the State shall not
16 deny or interfere with a pregnant person's right to choose or
17 obtain an abortion of a nonviable fetus or an abortion that is
18 necessary to protect a pregnant person's life or health. Act 35
19 also removed the outdated requirement that an individual who
20 seeks an abortion must be a Hawaii resident for at least ninety
21 days; and
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23 WHEREAS, in 2022, the Supreme Court of the United States
24 held in *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization*, 597 U.S.
25 215 (2022), that the United States Constitution does not confer
26 a right to an abortion, overturning *Roe v. Wade*, 410 U.S. 113
27 (1973) and *Planned Parenthood of Southeastern Pennsylvania v.*
28 *Casey*, 505 U.S. 833 (1992); and
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30 WHEREAS, some states have implemented laws and policies
31 imposing civil or criminal liability or professional discipline
32 in connection with the provision or receipt of, or assistance



1 with, reproductive health care services, including obtaining or
2 performing an abortion, outside of these states' borders; and

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4 WHEREAS, despite the State's existing protections for
5 privacy and bodily autonomy, some neighbor island residents are
6 denied equitable access to reproductive healthcare since in-
7 person abortion care is only available on the islands of Maui
8 and Oahu; and

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10 WHEREAS, sixty-three percent of abortions in the United
11 States are performed with the administration of oral
12 abortifacients; and

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14 WHEREAS, two oral abortifacients are commonly used for
15 medical abortions: mifepristone and misoprostol; and

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17 WHEREAS, the United States Food and Drug Administration may
18 approve changes to the recommended administration of these
19 medications, and the mifepristone supply chain may suffer
20 disruptions; and

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22 WHEREAS, in 2023, the Department of Health partnered with
23 the Kapiolani Medical Center for Women and Children to maintain
24 a one-year supply of mifepristone; and

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26 WHEREAS, mifepristone has a shelf-life of five years; and

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28 WHEREAS, an estimated three thousand nine hundred abortions
29 occurred in the State in 2024; and

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31 WHEREAS, youth and young adults represent a significant
32 portion of those seeking abortion care in the State, and
33 approximately sixty-four percent of abortions in Hawaii were
34 sought by individuals under thirty years of age, as of 2022; and

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36 WHEREAS, the Hawaii State Constitution and the State's laws
37 require the State to ensure that the rights to privacy and to
38 make medical decisions about one's body remain unfringed; now,
39 therefore,

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41 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirty-third
42 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2026,



1 that the Department of Health is urged to coordinate the
2 stockpiling of a three-year supply of mifepristone in quantities
3 as determined by the Department; and
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5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a certified copy of this
6 Resolution be transmitted to Director of Health.
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OFFERED BY:

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