
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

URGING HAWAII'S CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION TO REQUEST AN AUDIT OF
THE WESTERN PACIFIC REGIONAL FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL.

1 WHEREAS, the Western Pacific Regional Fishery Management
2 Council was established in 1976 and is responsible for
3 preventing over-fishing and promoting sustainability in the
4 western Pacific Ocean, including the waters surrounding Hawaii;
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7 WHEREAS, the Western Pacific Regional Fishery Management
8 Council is one of eight regional fishery management councils
9 under the National Marine Fisheries Service, a division of the
10 United States Department of Commerce; and
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12 WHEREAS, community-based sustainability education programs
13 based upon the indigenous Aha Moku system of best practices
14 within traditionally defined geographic areas are vital to the
15 Western Pacific Regional Fishery Management Council's success;
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18 WHEREAS, the financial accountability of programs and
19 activities funded by the Western Pacific Regional Fishery
20 Management Council is also vital to the success of the council
21 and the conservation of the natural resources it is charged with
22 managing; now, therefore,
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24 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
25 Twenty-seventh Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular
26 Session of 2014, the Senate concurring, that Hawaii's
27 congressional delegation is urged to request a financial audit
28 of the Western Pacific Regional Fishery Management Council; and
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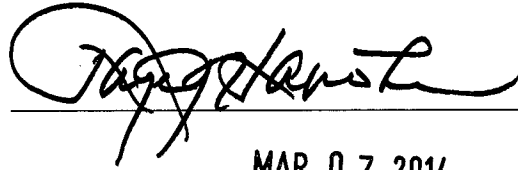


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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the audit focus on expenditures
2 by the Western Pacific Regional Fishery Management Council for
3 community-based sustainability education and outreach programs,
4 program coordinators, and activities from 2000 to 2013; and
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6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
7 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the members of Hawaii's
8 congressional delegation.
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