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### A BILL FOR AN ACT

AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS AND MAKING AN APPROPRIATION FOR A STUDENT SERVICES BUILDING AT THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII AT HILO.

#### BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

- 1 SECTION 1. The University of Hawaii at Hilo is in
- 2 desperate need of a new student services building. The programs
- 3 to be housed in a new student services building are critical to
- 4 the academic and personal success of students, including
- 5 services in counseling, academic advising, financial aid,
- 6 admissions, tutoring, career services, disabled student
- 7 programs, women's programs, registrar, and business office.
- 8 These services are currently dispersed throughout the campus.
- 9 The current student services building is overcrowded with three
- 10 or four counselors and advisors sharing offices. The essential
- 11 confidentiality of communications for these sensitive services
- 12 is lacking.
- 13 Bringing together similar services under one building is
- 14 economical and efficient. Most other institutions of higher
- 15 education have all student services under one roof. The quality

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of the student services building could indirectly affect 1 accreditation of the facility. 2 The purpose of this Act is to authorize the issuance of 3 4 general obligation bonds and to make an appropriation for a new student services building at the University of Hawaii at Hilo. 5 SECTION 2. The director of finance is authorized to issue 6 general obligation bonds in the sum of \$ , or so much 7 thereof as may be necessary, and the same sum, or so much 8 thereof as may be necessary, is appropriated for fiscal year 9 2007-2008, for the purpose of plans, design, and construction of 10 a new student services building at the University of Hawaii at 11 12 Hilo. SECTION 3. The appropriation made for the capital 13 14 improvement project authorized by this Act shall not lapse at the end of the fiscal biennium for which the appropriation is 15 16 made; provided that all moneys from the appropriation unencumbered as of June 30, 2010, shall lapse as of that date. 17 SECTION 4. The sum appropriated shall be expended by the 18 University of Hawaii at Hilo for the purposes of this Act. 19 This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2007. 20 21

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### Description:

Makes appropriation for capital improvement project at University of Hawaii, Hilo, student services building.