H.B. NO. 1780

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII.

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

1	SECT	ION 1. There is appropriated out of the general
2	revenues	of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$200,000 or so much
3	thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2013-2014 and the	
4	same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year	
5	2014-2015 for the University of Hawaii to implement a	
6	scholarship program in partnership with the Washington Center,	
7	provided that:	
8	(1)	A scholarship eligible student shall be a student at
9		any of the University of Hawaii system campuses;
10	(2)	A scholarship eligible student shall meet the
11		University of Hawaii requirements to qualify for
12		resident tuition;
13	(3)	Other scholarship eligibility requirements may be
14		established for the scholarship program; and
15	(4)	The University of Hawaii vice-president for student
16		affairs and university/community relations and the
17		University of Hawaii liaison for the Washington Center
18		shall be responsible for the implementation of the



1 program, including establishing scholarship criteria
2 and recipient selection.
3 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the University
4 of Hawaii for the purposes of this Act.
5 SECTION 2. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2013.
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INTRODUCED BY:

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H.B. NO. 1380

Report Title: University of Hawaii; Scholarship; Appropriation

Description: Appropriates funds to UH for the implementation of a scholarship program in partnership with the Washington Center.

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UNIVERSITY OF HAWAI'I SYSTEM

Legislative Testimony

Testimony Before the House Committee on Higher Education February 12, 2013 at 2:00pm by Lui K. Hokoana, Ed.D Associate Vice President of Student Affairs University of Hawai'i System

HB 1380 - RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII

Chair Choy, Vice Chair Ichiyama and members of the Committee:

The University of Hawai'i supports the intent of HB 1380 which provides funds to implement a scholarship program to support students from any UH campus who are Hawai'i residents to participate in The Washington Center Internship and Seminar programs in Washington DC. The Washington Center is "an independent, nonprofit organization serving hundreds of colleges and universities in the United States and other countries... The largest program of its kind, The Washington Center has 70 full-time staff and more than 50,000 alumni."

Funds would be used for fees, travel, housing and other educational expenses for UH students. UH shall be responsible for the implementation of the program. Providing financial support for UH students to participate in The Washington Center's academic and internship programs will increase educational and civic opportunities for Hawai'i residents to work and learn.

The University supports HB 1380 provided it does not adversely affect our UH priorities as set in our budget request.

Testimony Before the House Committee on Higher Education Febrary 12, 2013 By Amy Agbayani, Phd Director, Student Equity Excellence and Diversity UH Manoa

HB 1380 Relating to the University of Hawaii

Chair Choy, Vice Chair Ichiyama and members of the Committee

I support HB 1380 providing funds for Hawaii residents from any UH campus to attend The Washington Center. My testimony in support of this bill is in my role as the designated UH Manoa faculty laison to the Washington Center and I do not represent the official position of UH. Although I have been the UH Manoa faculty laison for only a year since Social Science Dean Dubanoski retired, I am familiar with The Washington Center's application process, residential facilities, academic and internship programs, costs and student support services. The Center offers a rigorous and quality internship program with federal agencies and non-profit organizations at our nation's capitol. Although there is great interest for internships in Washington, no UH students attended The Washington Center during the past few years because of the cost of travel, housing and fees. Financial support will be of great benefit to our students interested in public service.

My office supports HB 1380. We can help UH students with information and student services support in partnership with The Washington Center.

Thank you for your continuing support of our students.

Testimony for House Bill 1380

I am writing this testimony in support of House Bill 1380 to implement a scholarship program at UH Manoa in conjunction with the Washington Center Internship Program.

I am a native Hawaiian student at UH Manoa, majoring in Hawaiian language and culture. I would love to apply for a scholarship to enable me to attend the Washington Center and to engage in an internship in Washington, D.C.

I know that many of my friends would be so glad to know about this opportunity, not only to be in D.C. and participating in an internship, but to be able to apply for a scholarship to make that internship possible. As it is currently, the Washington Center Internship is prohibitive to most students at UH since they have to find funding for airfare, housing, and for the living expenses associated with the internship.

Most students know that an internship, particularly in Washington, D.C. would enhance their education, regardless of their major field of study. To be able to be in our nation's capital and to be able to observe and participate in the offices of government as well as agencies within the D.C. area.

I wholeheartedly support House Bill 1380 that would provide scholarships so that we students have this chance to get scholarships to participate in the Washington Center internships.

Mahalo, Kapo Cope