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A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE CENTER FOR OKINAWAN STUDIES.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the University of
- 2 Hawaii at Manoa Center for Okinawan Studies, as part of the
- 3 University's School of Pacific and Asian Studies program, was
- 4 created in 2008. The collection of Okinawa-related literature
- 5 and resources at the University of Hawaii at Manoa is the
- 6 largest and most comprehensive outside of Japan. Additionally,
- 7 the University of Hawaii at Manoa is considered one of the top
- 8 institutions in the world for Okinawan studies, partly because
- 9 of its extensive collection of Okinawa-related materials in the
- 10 University of Hawaii Manoa library.
- 11 The legislature further finds that a dedicated Okinawan
- 12 studies librarian at the University of Hawaii at Manoa library
- 13 would: aid the collection, development, and management of the
- 14 current and future holdings in the Okinawa-related collection;
- 15 and serve as a liaison for the Center for Okinawan Studies to
- 16 initiate national and international resource sharing
- 17 collaborations. Additionally, the dedicated Okinawan librarian
- 18 would be responsible for website development, fundraising, SB LRB 13-0384.doc



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- 1 outreach to the local Okinawan and general community, and
- 2 preservation and restoration of rare Okinawan-related historic
- 3 materials. The legislature finds that a dedicated Okinawan
- 4 studies librarian is necessary for the continued maintenance and
- 5 development of the collection of Okinawa-related materials in
- 6 the University of Hawaii at Manoa library and the growth of
- 7 Okinawan studies.
- 8 The purpose of this Act is to provide funding for a full-
- 9 time Okinawan studies librarian position at the University of
- 10 Hawaii at Manoa.
- 11 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
- 12 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$ or so much
- 13 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2013-2014 and the
- 14 same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year
- 15 2014-2015 to fund one full-time equivalent Okinawan studies
- 16 librarian position at the University of Hawaii at Manoa library.
- 17 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the University
- 18 of Hawaii for the purposes of this Act.
- 19 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2013.

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Report Title:

University of Hawaii Center for Okinawan Studies; Appropriation

Description:

Appropriates funds for the hiring of one full-time equivalent librarian position for the Okinawan collection at the University of Hawaii at Manoa library.

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