A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII.

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

- SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the University of 1 Hawaii system includes a vast number of buildings, some of which 2 contain classrooms and laboratory facilities that often go 3 unused. However, the University of Hawaii board of regents has 4 approved the construction of new buildings while existing 5 buildings are not being utilized to their full potential. The 6 legislature finds that the cost of constructing and maintaining 7 new buildings instead of seeking to utilize existing facilities 8 is a matter of statewide concern, as land space and state moneys 9 10 are both limited resources. The purpose of this Act is to require the board of regents 11 to promote the utilization of existing University of Hawaii 12 13 system buildings. 14 SECTION 2. Chapter 304A, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by adding a new subpart to part VI to be appropriately 15
- 17 " . USE OF FACILITIES

designated and to read as follows:



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1	§304A	A-A Use of facilities. (a) The board shall develop
2	and make p	publicly available procedures for the full utilization
3	of existin	ng university facilities, including plans for the use
4	of distanc	ce and online education.
5	(b)	The administration of each university or community
6	college go	overned by the board shall include on its website data
7	on the uti	lization of classroom and laboratory facilities. The
8	data shall	be updated annually and include the following:
9	(1)	Total number of classrooms and laboratories available
10		for instructional use that are not under renovation;
11	(2)	Total number of classrooms and laboratories available
12		for instructional use that are under renovation;
13	(3)	Total available square footage of instructional space
14		that is not under renovation;
15	(4)	Total available square footage of instructional space
16		that is under renovation;
17	(5)	Average hours per week of instructional usage of
18		classrooms and laboratories, reported by day of the
19		week and time of day;
20	(6)	Average percentage of seats and stations filled in all

courses taught in campus classrooms and laboratories

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1	that are available for instruction, reported by day of		
2	the week and time of day;		
3	(7) Number of courses the institution offers online; and		
4	(8) Plans for development of future online courses.		
5	(c) By June 30 of each year following the effective date		
6	of this Act, the administration of each university or community		
7	college campus governed by the board shall submit to the		
8	governor, lieutenant governor, the senate president, the speaker		
9	of the house of representatives, and the chairs of each		
10	legislative standing committee with jurisdiction over higher		
11	education a written report summarizing the data required in		
12	subsection (b).		
13	§304A-B Approval of new building construction. (a) The		
14	board shall not approve the construction of a proposed		
15	university building until a public hearing has been held to		
16	examine the:		
17	(1) Utilization of existing facilities, as reported under		
18	section 304-A, for the three year period immediately		
19	preceding the date of the meeting;		
20	(2) Projected maintenance costs for the proposed building		
21	over its projected lifetime; and		

1	(3) Funding sources for the proposed building,
2	provided that this section shall not apply to the construction
3	of a proposed university building projected to cost less than
4	\$10,000,000."
5	SECTION 3. Section 304A-2672, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
6	amended to read as follows:
7	"\$304A-2672 Powers of the board. Notwithstanding any law
8	to the contrary, the board may:
9	(1) Designate as a university project, any undertaking,
10	improvement, or facility on any one or more of the
11	areas in one or more of the educational institutions
12	under the jurisdiction of the board;
13	(2) Construct and maintain university projects, including
14	a university project included or to be in a university
15	system; provided that all procurements for
16	professional services furnished by licensees under
17	chapter 464 for construction projects shall be
18	coordinated with the department of accounting and
19	general services on behalf of the board; provided
20	further that the department of accounting and general
21	services shall not be responsible for procurements

determined by both the university of Hawaii and the
department of accounting and general services to be
professional services furnished by licensees under
chapter 464 for repair and maintenance; provided
further that the board shall not approve the
construction of a proposed university building until
the meeting requirements of section 304A-B have been
<pre>met;</pre>
Combine two or more university projects into a
university system on one or more of the areas on any
one or more of the educational institutions under the
jurisdiction of the board, and to maintain the system;
Combine two or more university projects, university
systems, or university projects and university systems
into a network, on any one or more of the areas on any
one or more of the educational institutions under the
jurisdiction of the board, and to maintain the
network;
Prescribe and collect rents, fees, and charges for the
use of or services furnished by any university project
and the facilities thereof, and pledge any

i		appropriation to any university project and the
2		facilities thereof that in aggregate, produces revenue
3		of the university at least sufficient to comply with
4		section 304A-2681;
5	(6)	With the approval of the governor, issue revenue bonds
6		under this subpart in such principal amount as may be
7		authorized by the legislature from time to time to
8		finance in whole or in part the cost of construction
9		or the cost of maintenance of any university project,
10		including funding reserves therefor;
11	(7)	Pledge to the punctual payment of revenue bonds and
12		interest thereon, all or any part of the revenue of
13		the university, including any appropriation, in an
14		amount sufficient to pay the revenue bonds and
15		interest as the same become due and to create and
16		maintain reasonable reserves therefor;
17	(8)	Establish a loan program or a commercial paper program
18		upon terms and conditions that the board may
19		determine; and
20	(9)	Advance moneys of the university, not otherwise
21		required, and do any and all other lawful acts as may

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be necessary, convenient, or desirable, for carrying
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              into execution and administering this subpart."
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         SECTION 4. Section 304A-2673, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
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    amended to read as follows:
         "[+]§304A-2673[+] Designation and authorization of
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    university projects, university systems, networks; authorization
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    of revenue bonds. The designation and authorization of
    construction and maintenance of a university project, university
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    system, or network, and the authorization for issuance of
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    revenue bonds under this subpart shall be by resolution of the
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    board by a majority of all the members of the board then in
    office [-]; provided that the board shall not pass a resolution
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    authorizing the construction of a new university building unless
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    the requirements of section 304A-B are met. Any resolution may
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    be adopted at the same meeting at which it is introduced and
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    shall take effect immediately upon adoption."
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         SECTION 5.
                     In codifying the new sections added by section
    2 of this Act, the revisor of statutes shall substitute
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    appropriate section numbers for the letters used in designating
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    the new sections in this Act.
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- 1 SECTION 6. This Act does not affect rights and duties that
- 2 matured, penalties that were incurred, and proceedings that were
- 3 begun before its effective date.
- 4 SECTION 7. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
- 5 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.
- 6 SECTION 8. This Act shall take effect upon its approval.

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INTRODUCED BY:

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Report Title:

University of Hawaii; Facility Utilization; Construction

Description:

Requires the board of regents of the University of Hawaii to develop procedures for the full utilization of university facilities. Requires the administration of the different UH campuses to collect and report data relating to facilities utilization. Prohibits the UH board of regents from approving the construction of a new university building until a public hearing is held to discuss facility utilization and cost.

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