A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII.

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

- 1 SECTION 1. Each session, legislators carefully weigh the
- 2 costs and benefits of appropriating moneys to various worthy
- 3 governmental operations. The legislature therefore finds that
- 4 it is a matter of statewide concern when moneys appropriated to
- 5 the University of Hawaii are not expended at all, or not
- 6 expended for their intended purposes.
- 7 The purpose of this Act is to ensure that appropriations to
- 8 the University of Hawaii are expended for the specific purposes
- 9 intended by the legislature.
- 10 SECTION 2. Chapter 304A, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
- 11 amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated
- 12 and to read as follows:
- 13 "§304A- Appropriations; specific purpose. (a) Any
- 14 appropriation made by the legislature to the University of
- 15 Hawaii for a specific purpose as described in the general
- 16 appropriations act, supplemental appropriations act, budget
- 17 worksheets, or other appropriations vehicle shall be expended by



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- 1 the University of Hawaii for the specific purpose described in
- 2 the general appropriations act, supplemental appropriations act,
- 3 budget worksheets, or other appropriations vehicle, as
- 4 applicable.
- 5 (b) If the University of Hawaii does not expend all of the
- 6 funds for the specific purpose described by the legislature, the
- 7 university shall submit a report to the legislature no later
- 8 than twenty days before the convening of the next regular
- 9 session. The report shall include a detailed explanation of why
- 10 the funds were not expended or, if the funds were expended for a
- 11 different purpose, why they were expended for that purpose. If
- 12 the governor or director of finance, pursuant to the authority
- 13 provided under chapter 37, modifies, amends, or reduces moneys
- 14 appropriated to the university, the report shall include a
- 15 description of how the funds that were actually released to the
- 16 university were spent on the corresponding program.
- 17 (c) During the fiscal year following the submission of a
- 18 report pursuant to subsection (b), an amount equal to any funds
- 19 appropriated for the prior fiscal year that were not expended in
- 20 accordance with the specific purpose as described by the
- 21 legislature, plus any related recurring appropriations, shall be

- 1 returned by the director of finance or the University of Hawaii
- 2 to the general fund."
- 3 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.
- 4 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2525.

Report Title:

University of Hawaii; Expenditures

Description:

Requires funds appropriated to the University of Hawaii for a specific purpose to be expended for that specific purpose. Requires a report that explains to the Legislature any nonconformity with the previous requirement. Requires unexpended funds to be returned to the general fund. (HB1800 HD1)

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