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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. Act 187, Session Laws of Hawaii 2012, is
2 amended by amending section 3 to read as follows:

3 "SECTION 3. The University of Hawaii John A. Burns school
4 of medicine and the University of Hawaii at Manoa school of
5 nursing and dental hygiene shall implement the Hawaii health
6 corps program no later than June 30, 2013.

7 ~~[The deans of the University of Hawaii John A. Burns school
8 of medicine and the University of Hawaii at Manoa school of
9 nursing and dental hygiene shall report to the legislature on
10 the status of the Hawaii health corps program no later than
11 twenty days prior to the convening of each regular session of
12 the legislature, beginning with the regular session of 2013.]"~~

13 SECTION 2. Section 304A-1144, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
14 repealed.

15 ~~["~~§304A-1144~~ Annual report. The office of the vice
16 president for community colleges shall prepare an annual report
17 to the legislature on the status of the program. This annual
18 report shall include data on the development of the construction~~

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1 ~~academy curriculum and content, teaching standards throughout~~
2 ~~the system, and overall achievement. The annual report shall be~~
3 ~~submitted no later than twenty days prior to the convening of~~
4 ~~each regular legislative session."]~~

5 SECTION 3. Section 304A-3305, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
6 repealed.

7 ~~["§304A-3305] Annual report. The University of Hawaii~~
8 ~~shall publish a report by September 1, 2006, and every year~~
9 ~~thereafter. The report shall include information regarding the~~
10 ~~operation of the program, including:~~

- 11 ~~(1) The total number of students receiving nursing~~
12 ~~scholarship grants;~~
- 13 ~~(2) The total amount of scholarship grants awarded;~~
- 14 ~~(3) The number of full time and part time graduate~~
15 ~~students receiving scholarship grants, reported~~
16 ~~according to institution of enrollment;~~
- 17 ~~(4) The amount of scholarship grants awarded to graduate~~
18 ~~students, reported according to institution of~~
19 ~~enrollment; and~~
- 20 ~~(5) The total number of graduate students who withdraw~~
21 ~~from the program. (b) The annual report shall be~~
22 ~~submitted to the governor and the legislature no later~~

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Report Title:

University of Hawaii; Legislative Reports

Description:

Amends various session laws and sections of chapter 304A, Hawaii Revised Statutes, to repeal legislative reporting requirements.

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JUSTIFICATION SHEET

DEPARTMENT: University of Hawaii

TITLE: A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII.

PURPOSE: Amends various uncodified Acts and chapters in 304A, Hawaii Revised Statutes, to repeal legislative reporting requirements.

MEANS: Amend section 3 of Act 187, Session Laws of Hawaii (SLH) 2012, and repeal section 4 of Act 281, SLH 2007, and sections 304A-1144 and 304A-3305, Hawaii Revised Statutes (HRS).

JUSTIFICATION: Act 187, SLH 2012, established the Hawaii Health Corps Program to encourage physicians, physician assistants, and nurse practitioners to serve in counties having a shortage of physicians, physician assistants, and nurse practitioners, with priority given to a rural area county. Act 187 further established the Hawaii Health Corps Revolving Fund (section 309H-6, HRS) for the University to expend moneys from for the purposes of the Act and also required the deans of the University of Hawaii John A. Burns School of Medicine and the University of Hawaii at Manoa School of Nursing and Dental Hygiene to submit a report to the legislature on the status of the Hawaii Health Corps Program. In 2015, the Legislature found that the Hawaii Health Corps Revolving Fund was inactive and thus repealed the fund via Act 106, SLH 2015. Without the proper funding provided since enactment of Act 187, the University has been unable to fulfill the reporting requirements set forth by Act 187 and thus finds the reporting requirement unworkable and should be repealed.

Act 281, SLH 2007, became law effective July 10, 2007. The purpose of the Act was to fund Hawaii P-20 Partnerships for Education, in order to provide the impetus to develop the vision and plans for education in Hawaii for the twenty-first century. The Act provided an appropriation of \$50,000 for FY 2008 and FY 2009 to the University of Hawaii to enable Hawaii P-20 to organize meetings and electronic communication for this purpose. Because the appropriated funds were never released to the University, Hawaii P-20 did not have the resources to conduct the prescribed meetings or to create a medium of electronic communication, as directed by the Act. Therefore, the reporting requirement is unworkable and should be repealed. Information about the activities of Hawaii P-20 Partnerships for Education can be found at www.p20hawaii.org.

The Construction Academy began in 2004 with a grant from the U.S. Department of Labor. The grant funded a pilot program between the University of Hawaii Community Colleges and select Oahu high schools to prepare students with the skills needed to pursue careers in the construction industry. In 2006, the Hawaii State Legislature appropriated funds to institutionalize and expand the program to other high schools throughout the State. The program has long since established itself as an integral part of the pathway for construction-related education. As such, no new relevant information required by section 304A-1144, HRS, has been part of the annual reporting requirement for the past six years and thus has become an unnecessary mandate.

The Nursing Scholars Program was established to encourage students to pursue graduate study in master's and doctoral programs to prepare them for an academic career in nursing. This program was essentially a loan program that required payback should the student fail to comply with a written

agreement with the University of Hawaii. Section 304A-3305, HRS, required the University to submit an annual report to the Legislature to include information regarding the operation of the program. Since its enactment in 2005, the Nursing Scholars Program has received only one year of funding, in 2006. The School of Nursing and Dental Hygiene has had no additional information since the last report submitted in 2009 and thereby feels this reporting requirement to be obsolete and should be repealed.

Impact on the public: None.

Impact on the department and other agencies:
None.

GENERAL FUND: None.

OTHER FUNDS: None.

PPBS PROGRAM
DESIGNATION: UOH-100, UOH-110, UOH-800, UOH-900.

OTHER AFFECTED
AGENCIES: None.

EFFECTIVE DATE: Upon approval.