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December 20, 2017

The Honorable Ronald D. Kouchi. President and Members of the Senate Twenty-Ninth State Legislature Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

The Honorable Scott Saiki, Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives Twenty-Ninth State Legislature Honolulu, Hawai'i 96813

Dear President Kouchi, Speaker Saiki, and Members of the Legislature:

For your information and consideration, the University of Hawai'i is transmitting one copy of the Annual Report on University of Hawai'i Uncollectible Accounts FY2017 (Section 40-82, Hawai'i Revised Statutes) as requested by the Legislature.

In accordance with Section 93-16, Hawai'i Revised Statutes, this report may be viewed electronically at: http://www.hawaii.edu/offices/government-relations/2018-legislative-reports/.

Should you have any questions about this report, please do not hesitate to contact Stephanie Kim at 956-4250, or via e-mail at scskim@hawaii.edu.

Sincerely,

David Lassner

President

Enclosure

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UNIVERSITY OF HAWAI'I SYSTEM ANNUAL REPORT



REPORT TO THE 2018 LEGISLATURE

Annual Report on University of Hawai'i Uncollectible Accounts FY2017

HRS 40-82

December 2017

THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAI'I SYSTEM ANNUAL REPORT TO THE LEGISLATURE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017 SUMMARIZING UNCOLLECTIBLE ACCOUNTS

Chapter 40-82, Hawai'i Revised Statutes December 2017

The University of Hawai'i submits its annual report summarizing uncollectible delinquent accounts pursuant to Hawai'i Revised Statutes ("HRS") § 40-82(d).

HRS § 40-82 authorizes the University General Counsel ("UGC") to review uncollectible accounts, and if the UGC finds the account to be uncollectible, such accounts may be entered into a special record and be deleted from the accounts receivable records of the University, whereupon, the University is relieved from any further accountability for their collection. HRS § 40-82(c).

HRS § 40-82 defines uncollectible account as an account which has been delinquent for at least two consecutive years and: (1) the debtor or party causing damage to property belonging to the State is no longer within the jurisdiction of the State; (2) the debtor or party causing damage to property belonging to the State cannot be located; (3) the party causing damage to property belonging to the State is unknown or cannot be identified; (4) the debtor has filed bankruptcy and has listed the State as a creditor; or (5) any other account as may be deemed by the UGC to be uneconomical or impractical to collect. The statute further provides that any account entered in the special record shall be transferred to the current accounts receivable if the UGC finds that the facts as alleged and presented were not true, or that the account has become collectible.

Beginning in Fiscal Year 2016, the University began a system-wide effort to identify and write-off or collect older accounts receivable. As a result, this annual report reflects increased write-off activity, with the majority of the accounts exceeding six years or more. During Fiscal Year 2017, the University of Hawai'i requested and was approved by the UGC for write-off of uncollectible accounts summarized in the following table:

	Number of	Debt
Debtor Account Category	Accounts	Amounts
Dishonored Checks – Demonstrated as uncollectible	633	\$ 40,178.44
Debt \$500 or Less – Demonstrated as uncollectible	894	\$ 168,334.22
Debt owed UHM Athletics – Demonstrated as uncollectible	24	\$ 4,596.60
Debt owed Windward CC – Demonstrated as uncollectible	4	\$ 1,075.30
Debt owed Honolulu CC – Demonstrated as uncollectible	12	\$ 2,827.08
Debt owed UH-Hilo – Demonstrated as uncollectible	18	\$ 11,502.60
Debtor Deceased	3	\$ 8,236.88
TOTALS	1,588	\$ 236,751.12