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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO CHIEF PROCUREMENT OFFICERS.

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

1           SECTION 1. The legislature finds that it is a matter of  
2 statewide concern that the president of the University of Hawaii  
3 serves simultaneously as the chief procurement officer for the  
4 University of Hawaii system. The president of the system  
5 simultaneously serving as the chief procurement officer leads to  
6 inevitable conflicts of interest.

7           The legislature further finds that across the United  
8 States, the vast majority of public higher education  
9 institutions, including the California State University System,  
10 University of Massachusetts System, and University of Oregon  
11 System, differentiate between institutional leadership and  
12 purchasing when assigning the authority over procurement. While  
13 the chief procurement officer for the Colorado State University  
14 System possesses authority over state purchasing and procurement  
15 as well as direct oversight over Colorado's institutions of  
16 higher learning, there were no instances in institutions across



1 the country in which a university president is concurrently  
2 named as chief procurement officer.

3 Accordingly, the purpose of this Act is to:

4 (1) Designate the vice president for budget and finance  
5 and chief financial officer as the chief procurement  
6 officer for the University of Hawaii; and

7 (2) Appropriate moneys to be expended by program ID  
8 University of Hawaii - systemwide support (UOH900) for  
9 the repair and maintenance of campus buildings and  
10 infrastructure, as procured by the chief procurement  
11 officer of the University of Hawaii.

12 SECTION 2. Section 103D-203, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is  
13 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

14 "(a) The chief procurement officer for each of the  
15 following state entities shall be:

16 (1) The judiciary--the administrative director of the  
17 courts;

18 (2) The senate--the president of the senate;

19 (3) The house of representatives--the speaker of the house  
20 of representatives;



1 (4) The office of Hawaiian affairs--the chairperson of the  
2 board;

3 (5) The University of Hawaii--~~[the president of the~~  
4 ~~University of Hawaii;]~~ the vice president for budget  
5 and finance and chief financial officer;

6 (6) The department of education, excluding the Hawaii  
7 public library system--the superintendent of  
8 education;

9 (7) The Hawaii health systems corporation--the chief  
10 executive officer of the Hawaii health systems  
11 corporation; and

12 (8) The remaining departments of the executive branch of  
13 the State and all governmental bodies administratively  
14 attached to them--the administrator of the state  
15 procurement office of the department of accounting and  
16 general services."

17 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general  
18 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$21,700,000 or so  
19 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2022-2023 to be  
20 expended under program ID University of Hawaii - systemwide  
21 support (UOH900), for the repair and maintenance of campus



1 buildings and infrastructure, as procured by the chief  
2 procurement officer of the University of Hawaii.

3 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the University of  
4 Hawaii for the purposes of this Act.

5 SECTION 4. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed  
6 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

7 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2022;  
8 provided that the amendments made to section 103D-203(a), Hawaii  
9 Revised Statutes, by section 2 of this Act shall not be repealed  
10 when that section is reenacted on June 30, 2024, pursuant to  
11 section 16 of Act 8, Special Session Laws of Hawaii 2021.



**Report Title:**

UH; Vice President for Budget and Finance; Chief Procurement Officer; Appropriation

**Description:**

Designates the Vice President for Budget and Finance and Chief Financial Officer of the University of Hawaii as the chief procurement officer for the university. Appropriates moneys for repair and maintenance of campus buildings and infrastructure. (SD2)

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