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# A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HEALTH CARE EDUCATION.

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

1           SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the University of  
2 Hawaii Maui college has a new hybrid program designed especially  
3 for working certified nurse aides and other health care  
4 professionals who want to become licensed practical nurses. The  
5 certified nurse aide to practical nurse bridge program partners  
6 with Hale Makua, 'Ohana Pacific Health, and Kaiser Permanente  
7 Hawaii and provides eligible Maui and Oahu health care  
8 professionals with the opportunity to become licensed practical  
9 nurses while they are working. Graduates from the program are  
10 prepared to work under the supervision of a registered nurse or  
11 physician in hospitals, extended care facilities, private  
12 nursing agencies, home health agencies, clinics, and physician  
13 offices.

14           The legislature also finds that the University of Hawaii  
15 Maui college is hoping to expand the program statewide.  
16 Additional funding is needed for instructional costs to provide  
17 clinical and laboratory courses to accommodate a threefold



1 expansion of licensed practical nursing students statewide,  
2 increasing the pool from ten students to thirty students  
3 annually. Student aid funding is also needed to support a  
4 minimum of twenty students in completing prerequisite courses  
5 that will enable the students to apply to the certified nurse  
6 aide to practical nurse bridge program, and cover all tuition,  
7 fees, supplies, and related costs while the students participate  
8 in the program.

9       Accordingly, the purpose of this Act is to appropriate  
10 funds for the expansion of the certified nurse aide to practical  
11 nurse bridge program at the University of Hawaii Maui college,  
12 including funding for instructional costs and student aid.

13       SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general  
14 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$130,000 or so much  
15 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2023-2024 and the  
16 same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year  
17 2024-2025 for instructional costs, including the cost of casual  
18 employees and overload pay, for the certified nurse aide to  
19 practical nurse bridge program at the University of Hawaii Maui  
20 college.



1           The sums appropriated shall be expended by the University  
2 of Hawaii for the purposes of this Act.

3           SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general  
4 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$200,000 or so much  
5 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2023-2024 and the  
6 same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year  
7 2024-2025 to provide student aid to participants in the  
8 certified nurse aide to practical nurse bridge program at the  
9 University of Hawaii Maui college, including tuition, fees,  
10 supplies, and related costs.

11           The sums appropriated shall be expended by the University  
12 of Hawaii for the purposes of this Act.

13           SECTION 4. In accordance with section 9 of article VII of  
14 the Hawaii State Constitution and sections 37-91 and 37-93,  
15 Hawaii Revised Statutes, the legislature has determined that the  
16 appropriations contained in H.B. No. 300, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D.  
17 1, will cause the state general fund expenditure ceiling for  
18 fiscal year 2023-2024 to be exceeded by \$1,063,767,367 or 10 per  
19 cent.. In addition, the appropriations contained in this Act  
20 will cause the general fund expenditure ceiling for fiscal year  
21 2023-2024 to be further exceeded by \$330,000 or 1 per cent. The



1 combined total amount of general fund appropriations contained  
2 in only these two Acts will cause the state general fund  
3 expenditure ceiling for fiscal year 2023-2024 to be exceeded by  
4 \$1,064,097,367 or 11 per cent. The reasons for exceeding the  
5 general fund expenditure ceiling are that:

- 6 (1) The appropriation made in this Act is necessary to  
7 serve the public interest; and
- 8 (2) The appropriation made in this Act meets the needs  
9 addressed by this Act.

10 SECTION 5. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2023.



H.B. NO. 353  
H.D. 1  
S.D. 1  
C.D. 1

**Report Title:**

UH; Maui College; Certified Nurse Aides; Licensed Practical Nurses; Certified Nurse Aide to Practical Nurse Bridge Program; Appropriations; Expenditure Ceiling

**Description:**

Appropriates funds for the expansion of the certified nurse aide to practical nurse bridge program at the University of Hawaii Maui college, including funding for instructional costs and student aid. (CD1)

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