## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO HEALTH CARE EDUCATION.

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

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2	Hawaii	Maui	college	has	a	new h	nybrid	program	n des	signed	espec	cially

- 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



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- 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.
- 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.

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1	The sums appropriated shall be expended by the Univers	ity
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. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2023.

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### Report Title:

University of Hawaii Maui College; Certified Nurse Aides; Licensed Practical Nurses; Certified Nurse Aide to Practical Nurse Bridge Program; Appropriation

### 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.

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