HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES THIRTY-SECOND LEGISLATURE, 2023 STATE OF HAWAII

H.B. NO. ⁸⁴⁸ H.D. 2 S.D. 1 C.D. 1

A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE HAWAII INSTITUTE FOR MARINE BIOLOGY.

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

SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the Hawaii institute
 of marine biology is a center of innovation for science and
 technology, place-based education, and indigenous resource
 management approaches, with a mission to advance understanding
 and stewardship of oceans and coasts locally and globally.

6 The Hawaii institute of marine biology hosts a world-class research and education institute that, at present, is critically 7 understaffed, even though it is one of the most complex research 8 operations at the University of Hawaii, and is responsible for 9 10 maintaining its own entire island infrastructure; overseeing a 11 marine special management area; managing its own National 12 Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit with the United 13 States Environmental Protection Agency and Hawaii department of 14 health; managing its own photovoltaic power purchase agreement; 15 running its own diving and boating programs; and maintaining all 16 of its own facilities, grounds, and utilities. The institute is 17 home to twenty-eight faculty who are all highly productive and

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well-recognized for their excellence in various disciplines of 1 2 tropical marine biology and education, making the institute 3 unlike almost any other marine lab in the world due to the 4 proximity of high-end research facilities to a living coral reef and a dedicated faculty of scientists and science educators. 5 6 The legislature further finds that the Hawaii institute of 7 marine biology's twenty-six acre campus and associated 8 facilities bring in nearly \$9,000,000 in research, education, and outreach funds annually. The programs at the institute, 9 10 which provide direct benefits to local students and the State, 11 are dependent on permanent support staff who possess the 12 institutional knowledge to efficiently navigate the processes of 13 the State and University of Hawaii.

14 The purpose of this Act is to appropriate funds to
15 establish new permanent support staff positions, which are
16 critical to sustaining daily operations for the initiatives at
17 the Hawaii institute of marine biology.

18 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general 19 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$65,352 or so much 20 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2023-2024 and the 21 same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year

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1	2024-2025 for the establishment of one full-time equivalent (1.0
2	FTE) permanent administrative, professional, and technical
3	building maintenance worker II position to support the Hawaii
4	institute of marine biology (UH100).
5	The sums appropriated shall be expended by the University
6	of Hawaii for the purposes of this Act.
7	SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
8	revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$80,766 or so much
9	thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2023-2024 and the
10	same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year
11	2024-2025 for the establishment of one full-time equivalent (1.0
12	FTE) permanent administrative, professional, and technical
13	administrative officer position to support the Hawaii institute
14	of marine biology (UH100).
15	The sums appropriated shall be expended by the University
16	of Hawaii for the purposes of this Act.
17	SECTION 4. There is appropriated out of the general
18	revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$100,000 or so much
19	thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2023-2024 and the

21 2024-2025 for the establishment of one full-time equivalent (1.0

20 same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year

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FTE) permanent administrative, professional, and technical
 website specialist position to support the Hawaii institute of
 marine biology (UH100).

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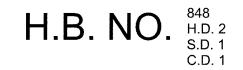
4 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the University5 of Hawaii for the purposes of this Act.

6 SECTION 5. In accordance with section 9 of article VII of 7 the Hawaii State Constitution and sections 37-91 and 37-93, 8 Hawaii Revised Statutes, the legislature has determined that the 9 appropriations contained in H.B. No. 300, H.D. 1, S.D. 1, C.D. 10 1, will cause the state general fund expenditure ceiling for 11 fiscal year 2023-2024 to be exceeded by \$1,063,767,367 or 10 per 12 cent. In addition, the appropriations contained in this Act 13 will cause the general fund expenditure ceiling for fiscal year 14 2023-2024 to be further exceeded by \$246,118 or 1 per cent. The 15 combined total amount of general fund appropriations contained 16 in only these two Acts will cause the state general fund 17 expenditure ceiling for fiscal year 2023-2024 to be exceeded by 18 \$1,064,013,485 or 11 per cent. The reasons for exceeding the 19 general fund expenditure ceiling are that:

20 (1) The appropriation made in this Act is necessary to
21 serve the public interest; and

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(2) The appropriation made in this Act meets the needs
 addressed by this Act.
 SECTION 6. In the event manifest clerical, typographical,
 or other mechanical errors are found in this Act, the governor
 is hereby authorized to correct such errors.
 SECTION 7. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2023.



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Report Title:

Hawaii Institute of Marine Biology; University of Hawaii; Support Staff; Appropriation; Expenditure Ceiling

Description:

Appropriates funds for the establishment of three support staff positions for the Hawaii Institute of Marine Biology. (CD1)

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