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SENATE RESOLUTION

URGING THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION, UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII
COMMUNITY COLLEGES, AND HAWAII P-20 PARTNERSHIPS FOR
EDUCATION TO DEVELOP CLEAR PATHWAYS FOR STUDENTS IN
DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION
ACADEMIES TO SEAMLESSLY CONTINUE THEIR EDUCATION IN CAREER
AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS AT UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII
COMMUNITY COLLEGES.

1 WHEREAS, career and technical education programs play an
2 important role in Hawaii's economy by providing critical
3 training to the State's future labor force; and
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5 WHEREAS, students participating in career and technical
6 education programs learn vital skills they need to attain
7 high-skill, high-wage careers in high-demand occupational
8 fields; and
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10 WHEREAS, the Department of Education offers its students up
11 to thirteen broad continuing and technical education pathways,
12 including culture, arts, media, and entertainment; business
13 management, finance, and marketing; health services; information
14 technology and digital transformation; building and
15 construction; advanced manufacturing; energy; architectural
16 design and engineering technology; transportation services;
17 agriculture, food, and natural resources; education;
18 hospitality, tourism, and recreation; and law and public safety;
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21 WHEREAS, the University of Hawaii also offers a wide array
22 of continuing and technical education pathways for community
23 college students; and
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25 WHEREAS, although both the Department of Education and
26 University of Hawaii offer valuable programs, there is a lack of
27 clear coordination between the two educational systems; and
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29 WHEREAS, ideally, a Department of Education student
30 participating in a career and technical education academy should
31 be able to seamlessly transition into:



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2 (1) A University of Hawaii community college career and
3 technical education program following graduation from
4 high school; and

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6 (2) A career following completion of the community college
7 program; and

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9 WHEREAS, the Department of Education and University of
10 Hawaii System should coordinate more closely to allow for these
11 seamless transitions; and

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13 WHEREAS, Hawaii P-20, whose mission is to strengthen the
14 education pipeline from early childhood through postsecondary
15 education and training, is well-positioned to help backwards-map
16 pathways from available careers through the various levels of
17 education and can help students determine when available jobs
18 may become available along the pathways; now, therefore,

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20 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirty-second
21 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2024,
22 that the Department of Education, University of Hawaii Community
23 Colleges, and Hawaii P-20 are urged to develop clear pathways
24 for students in Department of Education Career and Technical
25 Education Academies to seamlessly continue their education in
26 career and technical education programs at University of Hawaii
27 Community Colleges; and

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29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Hawaii P-20 is urged to assist
30 with the backwards-mapping of pathways from available jobs
31 through various levels of education and to help students
32 determine points at which they become qualified for available
33 jobs; and

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35 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Education and
36 University of Hawaii are both urged to publish the pathways on
37 their respective websites; and

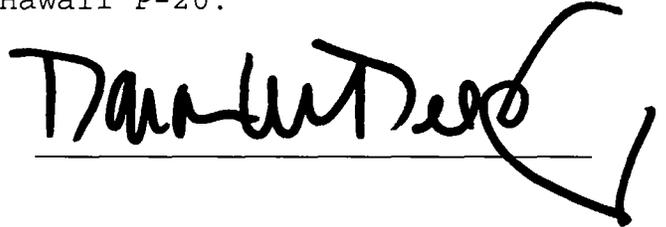
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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
2 Resolution be transmitted to the Superintendent of Education,
3 Vice President for Community Colleges of the University of
4 Hawaii, and Executive Director of Hawaii P-20.

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OFFERED BY: _____

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Daniel Lee", is written over a horizontal line. The signature is stylized and includes a large, sweeping flourish on the right side.