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# SENATE CONCURRENT 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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1 WHEREAS, ideally, a Department of Education student  
2 participating in a career and technical education academy should  
3 be able to seamlessly transition into:

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5 (1) A University of Hawaii community college career and  
6 technical education program following graduation from  
7 high school; and

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9 (2) A career following completion of the community college  
10 program; and

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12 WHEREAS, the Department of Education and University of  
13 Hawaii System should coordinate more closely to allow for these  
14 seamless transitions; and

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

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

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

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39 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Education and  
40 University of Hawaii are both urged to publish the pathways on  
41 their respective websites; and



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

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