
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that Hawaii offers a
2 unique opportunity for job growth and economic development
3 through its important geographic location. In fiscal year 2022,
4 Hawaii received almost \$9,000,000,000 in defense spending.
5 Furthermore, the number of defense-related jobs increased by
6 about ten thousand jobs from fiscal year 2018 to fiscal year
7 2022. Many of these jobs are in the areas of information
8 technology, cybersecurity, intelligence, and data science fields
9 and provide good-paying jobs for Hawaii's local economy.

10 The purpose of this Act is to build a local workforce to
11 meet the growing demand for jobs in the areas of information
12 technology, cybersecurity, intelligence, and data science fields
13 by utilizing the expertise at two university campuses, the
14 university of Hawaii at Mānoa's college of social sciences and
15 the university of Hawaii, West Oahu's business administration
16 department, focused on producing the workforce for the defense
17 sector in these related fields.



1 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the general
2 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$425,000 or so much
3 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2025-2026 and the
4 same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year
5 2026-2027 for:

6 (1) Two full-time equivalent (2.0 FTE) assistant
7 professors in international economics, trade, and
8 security;

9 (2) One full-time equivalent (1.0 FTE) professor of
10 practice in intelligence studies;

11 (3) One full-time equivalent (1.0 FTE) educational
12 specialist; and

13 (4) One part-time equivalent (0.5 FTE) graduate research
14 assistant,

15 to be located at the university of Hawaii at Mānoa college of
16 social sciences to develop a workforce to support the defense
17 sector of the State's economy.

18 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the university
19 of Hawaii for the purposes of this Act.

20 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
21 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$75,000 or so much



1 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2025-2026 and the
2 same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year
3 2026-2027 for student housing, travel costs, materials supplies,
4 and operation of the academy for Hawaii intelligence studies
5 summer program of the university of Hawaii at Mānoa college of
6 social sciences to develop a talent pipeline of students to
7 support the defense sector of the State's economy.

8 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the university
9 of Hawaii for the purposes of this Act.

10 SECTION 4. There is appropriated out of the general
11 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$130,000 or so much
12 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2025-2026 and the
13 same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year
14 2026-2027 for:

- 15 (1) One part-time equivalent (0.5 FTE) faculty for the
16 directory of the cybersecurity coordinator center; and
17 (2) One part-time equivalent (0.5 FTE) faculty for the
18 director of the cybersecurity research laboratory,
19 to be located at the university of Hawaii, West Oahu's
20 department of business administration to develop a workforce to
21 support the defense sector of the State's economy.



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

3 SECTION 5. There is appropriated out of the general
4 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$270,000 or so much
5 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2025-2026 and the
6 same sum or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year
7 2026-2027 for student internship programs, certifications,
8 software, and other expenses related to the program located at
9 the university of Hawaii, West Oahu's department of business
10 administration to develop a workforce to support the defense
11 sector of the State's economy..

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

14 SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2025.

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Report Title:

University of Hawaii; Workforce Development; Defense;
Appropriation

Description:

Appropriates funds for faculty positions, student programs, and facilities at the University of Hawaii at Mānoa and University of Hawaii, West Oahu for workforce development in the defense sector.

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