
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

ENCOURAGING THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII TO EVALUATE AND EXPAND ITS
CURRENT MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES FOR STUDENTS.

1 WHEREAS, the mental health and well-being of students is
2 essential to academic success and the overall campus climate;
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5 WHEREAS, the University of Hawaii plays a critical role in
6 fostering an environment where students can access comprehensive
7 mental health support; and
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9 WHEREAS, recent assessments and feedback indicate an
10 increased demand for mental health services for students,
11 highlighting the need for additional qualified mental health
12 professionals on University of Hawaii campuses; and
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14 WHEREAS, expanding the availability of mental health
15 services, including counseling, crisis intervention, and
16 preventive care, will contribute to improved academic
17 performance, enhanced student retention, and a more supportive
18 educational environment; and
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20 WHEREAS, investing in additional mental health resources on
21 University of Hawaii campuses aligns with the State's commitment
22 to the well-being of its residents and will help in the
23 development of a resilient future workforce; now, therefore,
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25 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
26 Thirty-third Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session
27 of 2025, the Senate concurring, that the University of Hawaii is
28 encouraged to evaluate and expand its current mental health
29 services for students; and
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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the University of Hawaii is
2 encouraged to expand its existing mental health services by
3 hiring additional mental health professionals and support staff
4 to ensure there are adequate resources to meet the growing needs
5 of its student body; and

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7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the University of Hawaii is
8 encouraged to consider enhancing the accessibility and scope of
9 its mental health programs, including extending counseling
10 hours, improving crisis response, and adopting proactive
11 outreach initiatives to better support students in achieving
12 academic and personal success; and

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14 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the University of Hawaii is
15 requested to provide periodic updates to the Legislature on its
16 efforts to expand mental health services, including the number
17 of new enhancements made to support structures, to ensure
18 accountability and continuous improvement; and

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20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
21 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the President of the
22 University of Hawaii System and Chairperson of the Board of
23 Regents.

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OFFERED BY: _____



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