
SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE AUDITOR TO CONDUCT A MANAGEMENT AND PERFORMANCE
AUDIT OF THE OFFICE OF THE VICE PRESIDENT FOR ACADEMIC
STRATEGY OF THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII.

1 WHEREAS, the University of Hawaii serves as the State's
2 foremost provider of public higher education and workforce
3 development; and

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5 WHEREAS, the Office of the Vice President for Academic
6 Strategy of the University of Hawaii is responsible for
7 overseeing system-wide policies, programs, and initiatives that
8 shape the institution's academic quality, career pathways,
9 workforce pipelines, and performance metrics; and

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11 WHEREAS, the University of Hawaii has established
12 performance metrics for its academic programs, and regular
13 assessment of the metrics is necessary to enhance transparency
14 and accountability; and

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16 WHEREAS, this body recognizes the importance of workforce
17 pipeline development from pre-school through post-secondary
18 education, specifically the role of Hawaii P-20 Partnerships for
19 Education in building seamless pathways for students; and

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21 WHEREAS, it is vital to evaluate the University of Hawaii's
22 plan to develop career pathways to ensure alignment with the
23 State's industry needs and to facilitate students' transition to
24 gainful employment; and

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26 WHEREAS, a management and performance audit of the Office
27 of the Vice President for Academic Strategy of the University of
28 Hawaii would provide valuable insights to the efficiency,
29 effectiveness, and impact of programs and initiatives under its



1 scope, enabling evidence-based improvements and strategic
2 decision-making; now, therefore,

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4 BE IT RESOLVED by the Senate of the Thirty-third
5 Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of 2025, the
6 House of Representatives concurring, that the Auditor is
7 requested to perform a management and performance audit of the
8 Office of the Vice President for Academic Strategy of the
9 University of Hawaii, with a focus on:

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11 (1) The work of the Office of the Vice President for
12 Academic Strategy of the University of Hawaii,
13 specifically Hawaii P-20 Partnerships for Education,
14 in creating workforce pipelines from pre-school
15 through post-secondary education;
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17 (2) System-wide career pathway planning, including
18 alignment between academic programs and industries and
19 jobs that the State's economy demands; and
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21 (3) Coordination and articulation agreements between
22 four-year universities and community colleges that
23 ensure clear pathways for student transfer and credit
24 recognition; and
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26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Auditor is requested to
27 include in the audit:

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29 (1) Data collection and analysis on the adequacy of
30 resources allocated to the programs and initiatives of
31 the Office of the Vice President for Academic Strategy
32 of the University of Hawaii, including staffing,
33 infrastructure, and funding;
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35 (2) Recommendations for improvements or changes to
36 existing policies, structures, or programs or
37 initiatives to enhance efficiency and outcomes; and
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39 (3) A timeline for implementation of recommended
40 improvements or changes; and
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1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Auditor is requested to
2 submit to the Legislature the audit, including any findings and
3 recommendations, no later than twenty days prior to the
4 convening of the Regular Session of 2026; and

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6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this
7 Concurrent Resolution be transmitted to the Governor, Auditor,
8 Chair of the University of Hawaii Board of Regents, President of
9 the University of Hawaii, Vice President for Academic Strategy
10 of the University of Hawaii, and Director of Hawaii P-20
11 Partnerships for Education.

