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# HOUSE RESOLUTION

REQUESTING THE BOARD OF REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII TO REVIEW AND CLARIFY THE ROLES, RESPONSIBILITIES, AND FUNCTIONS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII SYSTEM IN RELATION TO THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF INDIVIDUAL CAMPUSES.

1           WHEREAS, the University of Hawaii System, as referred to in  
2 the Legislative Reference Bureau's Directory of State, County,  
3 and Federal Officials, is comprised of the Office of the  
4 President and various administrative offices that oversee  
5 particular University functions; and  
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7           WHEREAS, effective coordination among campuses requires  
8 clear understanding of the responsibilities of the University of  
9 Hawaii System and the roles of individual campuses; and  
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11           WHEREAS, the National Center for Higher Education  
12 Management Systems conducted a study examining the structure and  
13 governance of the University of Hawaii and recommended increased  
14 attention to the distinct functions of the University of Hawaii  
15 System and its role in supporting statewide priorities; and  
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17           WHEREAS, clarifying the responsibilities of the University  
18 of Hawaii System can strengthen coordination, improve  
19 transparency, and support effective decision-making; and  
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21           WHEREAS, section 304A-105, Hawaii Revised Statutes, grants  
22 the Board of Regents of the University of Hawaii exclusive  
23 jurisdiction over the internal structure, management, and  
24 operation of the University of Hawaii System; now, therefore,  
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26           BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the  
27 Thirty-third Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session  
28 of 2026, that the Board of Regents of the University of Hawaii  
29 is requested to review and clarify the roles, responsibilities,  
30 and functions of the University of Hawaii System in relation to  
31 the responsibilities of individual campuses; and



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BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the review consider how the University of Hawaii System can most effectively support statewide strategic priorities, coordination among campuses, and service to students across the islands; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Regents of the University of Hawaii is requested to submit a report of its findings and recommendations, including any proposed legislation, to the Legislature no later than twenty days prior to the convening of the Regular Session of 2027; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that certified copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the Chairperson of the Board of Regents of the University of Hawaii and President of the University of Hawaii.

OFFERED BY:



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