

ACT 189

S.B. NO. 2024-74

A Bill for an Act Relating to Higher Education.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Hawaii:

SECTION 1. Chapter 304, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is hereby amended by adding a new section to be appropriately numbered and to read as follows:

“**Sec. 304- Research and training revolving fund.** There is hereby established a University of Hawaii research and training revolving fund into which shall be deposited 10 percent of all income up to a maximum of \$200,000 annually from indirect overhead sources on account of all University held federal and other research and training contracts and grants. The Board of Regents of the University of Hawaii, upon approval of the Governor or the director of finance, if so delegated, is authorized to expend funds deposited in the research and training revolving fund for research and training purposes which may result in additional research and training grants and contracts.”

SECTION 2. Chapter 304, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated and to read as follows:

“**Sec. 304- Student health center revolving fund.** There is established a revolving fund for the student health center from which shall be paid the cost of operations of the student health center services and which shall be replenished through charges made for medical services and other related goods and services or through transfers from other accounts or funds.”

SECTION 3. Chapter 304, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated and to read as follows:

“Sec. 304- Transcript and diploma revolving fund. There is established a revolving fund for transcripts and diplomas which shall be used to defray the cost of transcripts and diplomas and which shall be replenished through charges made for transcripts and diplomas or through transfers from other accounts or funds.”

SECTION 4. Chapter 304, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated and to read as follows:

“Sec. 304- Vocational and technical training projects revolving fund. There is established a revolving fund for the vocational and technical training projects of the community colleges into which shall be deposited the receipts from fees for services and supplies provided by or in connection with these projects. Funds deposited in this account shall be expended for vocational and technical training projects, and supplies and services related thereto.”

SECTION 5. Chapter 304, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended by adding a new section to be appropriately designated and to read as follows:

“Sec. 304- Animal Research Farm, Waialeale, Oahu revolving fund. There is established a revolving fund for the animal research farm Waialeale, Oahu, operated by the college of tropical agriculture, University of Hawaii, into which shall be deposited the receipts from fees realized from the sale of livestock, services and supplies. Funds deposited in this account shall be expended for animal research, and services and supplies related thereto.”

SECTION 6. Chapter 304, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is hereby amended by adding a new section to be appropriately numbered and to read as follows:

“Sec. 304- Educational assistance for senior citizens. The University of Hawaii shall allow senior citizens who are sixty years of age or older to enroll in regular credit courses at any campus of the University of Hawaii without payment of tuition or fees. Senior citizens who apply to enroll under the authority granted by this section shall be accepted in any credit class to the extent that space is available. No special senior citizen classes or sections may be established under the provisions of this section, and the university shall have the sole authority to determine whether or not a senior citizen has the prerequisites necessary for enrollment in a class.

To be eligible for coverage under this section, an individual must be sixty years of age or older on or before the month of registration for the class or classes in which he wishes to enroll, and must be a resident of the State of Hawaii according to the standard criteria used by the University of Hawaii to determine residency.

The University of Hawaii may pay the fee of any qualifying senior citizen to enroll in any summer session or evening course if funds are made available for such purposes. The board of regents may adopt rules and regulations to determine eligibility for assistance under this section.”

SECTION 7. Section 304-8, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is amended to read as follows:

“Sec. 304-8 Appropriations; accounts; reports. Moneys appropriated by the legislature for the university shall be payable by the director of finance, upon vouchers approved by the board of regents or by any officer elected or appointed by the board under section 304-4 and authorized by the board to approve such vouchers on behalf of the board. All moneys received by or in behalf of the board of the university shall be deposited with the director of finance, except that any moneys received from the federal government or from private contributions shall be deposited and accounted for in accordance with conditions established by the agencies or persons from whom the moneys are received and except that with the concurrence of the director of finance, moneys received from the federal government for research, training and other related purposes of a transitory nature and moneys in trust or revolving funds administered by the university may be deposited in depositories other than the State treasury. Income from fees for tuition and similar charges against students and income derived from sale of goods and services shall be deposited to the credit of the general fund of the State; provided, that income from university projects as defined and described in sections 306-1 to 306-12, may be credited to special or other funds; and provided further that upon the recommendation of the director of finance, the comptroller may establish such other separate accounts or special funds for other designated revenues as may be deemed in the best interests of the university and the State.”

SECTION 8. Material to be repealed is bracketed. New material is underscored. In printing this Act, the revisor of statutes need not include the brackets, the bracketed material, or the underscoring.*

SECTION 9. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 1974.

(Approved June 10, 1974.)

*Edited accordingly.