
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE SENATOR HIRAM L. FONG SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM.

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

1 SECTION 1. The Senator Hiram L. Fong commission was
2 established by the twenty-third legislature through Act 117,
3 Session Laws of Hawaii 2005, to research and find means to honor
4 and recognize the distinguished political, business, and
5 community leader. The commission has completed its report and
6 recommended, as its first priority, that the legislature
7 establish and endow the Senator Hiram L. Fong scholarship at the
8 University of Hawaii. The commission found, and the legislature
9 agrees, that the establishment of such a scholarship is the most
10 appropriate and fitting way to honor, recognize, and perpetuate
11 the memory of Senator Fong who championed civil rights, labor
12 rights, and immigration reform, and who represented all the
13 people of Hawaii without ideologically politicized division.

14 The purpose of this Act is to establish the Senator Hiram
15 L. Fong scholarship program.

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

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1 "§304- The Senator Hiram L. Fong scholarship program.

2 (a) There is established the Senator Hiram L. Fong scholarship
3 program to be administered by the University of Hawaii. The
4 program shall provide financial support to students enrolled at
5 any campus of the University of Hawaii.

6 (b) Awards shall be granted annually to one female student
7 and one male student who:

8 (1) Are graduates of a public high school in the state;

9 (2) Are upperclassmen at the University of Hawaii; and

10 (3) Submit an essay on the senator's contributions to
11 Hawaii.

12 (c) The amount to be awarded to a student shall be
13 determined by the board of regents with due regard to the total
14 amount of funds available for the program. The award that a
15 student receives under this program may be used to:

16 (1) Pay for the costs of tuition and fees;

17 (2) Pay for the costs of textbooks and other instructional
18 materials;

19 (3) Pay for the costs of room and board at a dormitory or
20 apartment maintained by the University of Hawaii; or



1 (4) Defray the difference between the student need, as
2 determined by the Free Application for Federal Student
3 Aid, and the total cost of attendance.

4 (d) The board of regents shall adopt rules to implement
5 the Senator Hiram L. Fong scholarship program. The rules shall
6 be adopted pursuant to chapter 91 but shall be exempt from the
7 public notice and public hearing requirements.

8 (e) The funds for this scholarship program shall be
9 deposited into the student scholarship and assistance special
10 fund and shall be administered by the board of regents for the
11 purposes of supporting the Senator Hiram L. Fong scholarship
12 program."

13 SECTION 3. There is appropriated out of the general
14 revenues of the State of Hawaii the sum of \$200,000 or so much
15 thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2006-2007 to be
16 deposited into the student scholarship and assistance special
17 fund.

18 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
19 budget and finance for the purposes of this Act.

20 SECTION 4. There is appropriated out of the student
21 scholarship and assistance special fund the sum of \$200,000 or



1 so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2006-2007 to
2 be used for the Senator Hiram L. Fong scholarship program.

3 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the University of
4 Hawaii for the purposes of this Act.

5 SECTION 5. New statutory material is underscored.

6 SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2020.



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Report Title:

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Description:

Establishes the Senator Hiram L. Fong Scholarship Program at the University of Hawaii. (HB2040 HD2)

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