
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO THE UNIVERSITY OF HAWAII.

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

1 SECTION 1. The legislature finds that the University of
2 Hawaii-West Oahu provides an environment where students and
3 faculty can discover, examine, preserve, and transmit knowledge
4 and values that provide the foundation for the development of
5 present and future generations of citizens and results in the
6 improvement of the quality of life for all.

7 The purpose of this Act is to relocate the college of
8 education from the University of Hawaii at Manoa to the
9 University of Hawaii-West Oahu. The college of education is
10 comprised of a diverse mix of faculty, staff, and students whose
11 aims are to advance and generate knowledge in the fields of
12 education, human development, counseling, administration,
13 assessment, evaluation, research, technology, disabilities, and
14 other related disciplines.

15 The University of Hawaii-West Oahu has approximately one
16 thousand five hundred largely undeveloped acres of land and is
17 currently developing a new campus that should be used to address



1 the lack of modern, quality facilities that the college of
2 education has historically identified as hampering its goals.

3 The relocation of the college of education will also
4 facilitate the growth of the University of Hawaii-West Oahu by
5 serving as its academic anchor and educating perspective
6 teachers in the community where over twenty-five per cent of all
7 new teachers employed by the department of education are placed.

8 The legislature further finds that the relocation is an
9 issue of statewide concern.

10 SECTION 2. Section 304-20, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
11 amended by amending subsection (a) to read as follows:

12 "(a) The college of education shall be affiliated with the
13 university and shall be under the jurisdiction and management of
14 the board of regents. The college of education shall be located
15 on the University of Hawaii-West Oahu campus. The board may
16 grant appropriate degrees to properly qualified graduates of the
17 college of education. In the matter of the curriculum, the
18 university authorities may obtain the approval of the department
19 of education. The mission of the college is to:

20 (1) Prepare and provide ongoing professional development
21 of teachers, administrators, counselors, and related



1 professionals at undergraduate and graduate levels
 2 primarily to meet the needs of Hawaii schools;
 3 (2) Generate, synthesize, and apply knowledge in education
 4 and related fields through teaching, research, and
 5 other scholarly activities; and
 6 (3) Provide service and support to the local, national,
 7 and global educational and related communities."

8 SECTION 3. New statutory material is underscored.

9 SECTION 4. This Act shall take effect upon its approval;
 10 provided that the college of education shall begin to be
 11 administratively transferred to the West Oahu campus in a manner
 12 that does not threaten the accreditation of the college of
 13 education; and provided further that the college of education
 14 shall be physically moved to the West Oahu campus as soon as the
 15 construction of its facilities has been completed.

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Description:

Relocates the University of Hawaii college of education to the west Oahu campus.

